Stephens City Mennonite Church

Invites You to Celebrate the Lord's Presence

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9:30 am Sunday School Worship 10:30 am
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With unexpected presence, God comes to us in humility. Though we begin Palm Sunday with clarity of vision and end with cries of despair, we recognize that our lives are in God's hands and respond in faith and trust.

Gathering songs - Young Adult Band
Prelude - (Children's Processional)
Welcome & Prayer
Call to Worship
Worship in Song HWB 285 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
HWB 237 All glory, laud, and honor
HWB 238 Hosanna, loud hosanna
HWB 528 I Stand Amazed
Offering
Children's time
Confessing
Theme Song - STJ#29 You are all we have

Hearing the Word
Scripture: OT Psalm 118:1-2
NT Mark 11: 1-11
Sermon: God rules in humility

Responding:
Song of Response: HWB 338 I Know Not why God's wondrous
Sharing & praying with each other
"In our hearts, in our words, in our thoughts, in all we do, we praise you, O Lord."
Announcements
Sending song: STJ 78 We will walk with God
Benediction

Worship Leader: Aldine Musser Sermon: Jim Musser
Song Leader: Joan Kulp Pianist: Anna Grant
Greeters: Irvin & Ann Heishman Usher: John Lazer
Children's Church: Carol/Sarah Next Week: Malinda/Nicole

Meetings and Opportunities for Service

April
7—Service and Witness Commission @ 7pm
9 – Maundy Thursday Service @ 6:00 p.m.
10 - Stephens City Community Good Friday Walk at 12:00 noon
11--Men's Breakfast @ 7 am
12 - Easter Sunrise service at 7:00am, breakfast at 8:00 am
14—Church Council mtg @ 7 pm
18-- Bike Hike
20-- Northern District Pastor's Meeting
23 - Church prayer time at 7:00pm
25 - Church Work Day
29 - Christian Education Commission @ 7:00 p.m.

May
7-- Annual Missions Day for Women
12 - Ex Council
13 - Congregational meeting
14 - Worship Commission @ 7:00
15 - Game night

Subscriptions and renewals for TheMennonite are due today in the box on the table.

Kelly and Bob Phillips will lead bikers on a 20-mile round trip bike hike beginning at Hancock MD on Saturday, April 18th, start time TBA. Get your bikes ready now!

The Maundy Thursday service on April 9 will include an agape meal, communion, reflection, prayer and foot/hand washing. Please sign up on the table if you plan to attend and for what food you can bring.

Can you give some time, finances, and service this summer to the Christian church in China? After not being able to send an English-teaching team last year because of the earthquake, VMMissions is excited about the possibility of sending another team this year. We have team leaders; we need willing team members!

You are invited to bring Lilies and Spring Flowers for Easter Sunday10:30 a.m. Worship service.

Plans are underway for the celebration of **Virginia Mennonite Conference's 175th anniversary!** One way that congregations will be invited to participate in these observances is to contribute items for the creation of an art quilt, to assist in telling VMC's story. Questions? Contact Gloria Diener (ggdiener@gmail.com) or Bonnie Stutzman (stutzeb@comcast.net).

Please turn off cell phones and electronic devices during Sunday School and worship.

Last Sunday: Offering: Worship service: $1255 (under budget--$2973.69)
Sunday School: $5
Attendance: Worship service: 45
Sunday School: 35
Building fund: $3353.00