

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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None can stop the Spirit of love, which is perfected in God and demonstrated in our love for others. Perfect love drives out fear and bears fruit in our lives.

Gathering songs: StJ 15: Santo
 StJ 18: Over My Head
 StJ 15: Santo (reprise)

Prelude
Welcome & Prayer
Call to Worship
Worship in Song

StJ 37: Miren qué bueno
StJ 103: Why Should I Feel Discouraged
StJ 38: Beloved, God's Chosen

Children's time
Offering
(children ages 2-5 are dismissed)

Hearing the Word
Scripture text: I John 4:7-21
Sermon: Abide in me as I abide in you

Responding to the Word
Song of Response: StJ 35: O Breath of Life
Sharing & Praying with each other
Announcements

Sending Song: StJ 105: Don't Be Afraid
Benediction

Worship Leader: Mike Spory Sermon: Jim Musser
Song Leader: David Gonzol Pianist: Sandra Snodgrass
Greeters: Joan Rosenberger Usher: Monica Carr
Children's Church: Malinda/Rebecca Next week: Carol/Sarah

Meetings and Opportunities for Service

May
9—Men's Breakfast @ 7 am
12 – Church Council @ 7 pm
14 - Worship Commission @ 7:00
20 –Youth at Appleland
21 - Church Prayer meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
29--Outdoor game night at 6:30

June
13—Men's Breakfast
28—Blandy Arboretum picnic and hike after church

Prayer meeting each Tuesday morning at 6 am in the church basement



Enjoy a time for learning, fellowship, encouragement, laughter, prayer, stories, and solitude at the **Mennonite Women's Fall Conference**, November 13-15, at Holiday Inn Select, Richmond. The speaker will be Mary Thiessen Nation, teacher at Eastern Mennonite Seminary. Cost will be the same as last year, "early bird" \$70, regular registration \$80. Mary is enthusiastic about being with us and praying about what God would have her present. Contact Edith Shenk Kuhns (540) 949-7474 or eashenk@yahoo.com

Thank God for "mothers of faith" who have nurtured their families, churches and communities in the ways of Christ over the years. Also pray for God to bless young mothers who experience stressors in daily life.

Next Sunday is Marriage Covenant Sunday in which we will celebrate marriage milestones of many couples in our church. Come and listen to how these couples are living out their marriage covenant in their daily lives.

We will be having an SCMC outdoor game night on Friday evening, May 29th starting at 6:30 pm. Please plan to bring outdoor game equipment and snacks/drinks to share.

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

Last Sunday: Offering: Worship service: \$2925 (under budget--\$1544)
 Sunday School: \$5
 Attendance: Worship service: 57
 Sunday School: 44
 Building fund: \$3803.00