

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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As followers of Christ, our mission is to develop Christ-likeness in all of life.

Gathering songs
Call to Worship
Welcome
Prayer
Worship in Song
Offering

Reader's Theater - Car Trouble (A parable of self-reliance vs. community)

Introduction to the theme
Discussion Groups

- 1) Equipping Disciples for Ministry - Eph 4:11 - Jim M.
- 2) Renew our Spiritual Center - John 7:37-38, Col 3:1-17- Joan K.
- 3) Practice God's hospitality - Luke 14:21 - Sandra S.
- 4) Understanding Who We Are - Identity - I Peter 2:10, Acts 6:1-7
- 5) Discern and Join God's Movement among us and in the World - Daniel 6:10-12, 25-27, Col. 1:19-23 - Rick H.

Sharing what we learned in community
Communion - One is the Body

The Body Life Skit - Youth
We are the Body of Christ - Youth

Blessing for the Meal
Benediction - Ephesians 3:20,21

Worship Leader: Sermon: Jim Musser
Song Leader: Pat Spory Pianist: Sandra Snodgrass
Usher: Ben Rosenberger
Children's Church: Malinda Next Week: Linda/Rebecca

Meetings and Opportunities for Service

September

- 9-- Executive Council@7 pm
- 10 - Church prayer meeting at 7:00pm
- 12-Men's breakfast meeting@7 am
- 13 - Northern District Overseers Celebration
- 16 - MST for Korean ministry
- 20 - Guest speaker, Curtis Book from MCC
- 24—SCMC youth serving at soup kitchen, Mkt. St. UMC @5 pm
- 30—Service and Witness Commission, 7pm

October

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



Thank you to our Church retreat planning committee for their hard work in planning this weekend for us. They are Darcy ZehrVogt - chairperson, Bill and Vicki Hoffman, Pat Spory and Jim Musser. Thanks to Ann Heishman for coordinating meals and the worship commission for planning the worship service.

You can still make a donation to the "Sam Weaver Retirement Gift' fund by giving it to Denny Myers today.

Next Sunday is Christian Education Sunday and the beginning of our new Sunday school year. Please consider inviting someone to Sunday school and church.

Small groups are regrouping. Please contact pastor Jim if you wish to become part of a group.

I'd Like to Buy an Enemy", a new play from Ted & Company starring Ted Swartz, Trent Wagler and Pete Nelson will be presented on Monday evening, Sept. 21 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren, 420 College View Drive. Call 540-515-3581 for more information.

You are encouraged to attend the "Celebration of Northern District Overseers" on September 13 at Lindale Mennonite Church. Potluck meal at 5:30pm followed by the service at 6:30pm. Michael Shenk III and Aldine Musser will be commissioned as new overseers and we will honor Sam Weaver as he retires from overseer ministry.

Last Sunday: Offering: Worship service: \$2451 (under budget--\$3147.54 for the year)
Sunday School: \$2.00
Attendance: Worship service:43
Sunday School: 33
Building fund: \$4003