

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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From a love reserved for those close to us, the Spirit calls us to love both friends and enemies in ways we never dreamed possible. There is only one commandment: to love like Jesus loves.

Gathering song
Prelude
Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship
Worship in song
Offering
Children's time

Hearing the Word
Scripture: Acts 11:1-8
Sermon: A new commandment

Song of Response
Sharing our stories: How are you seeing God's face in unexpected people? Where has costly love taken you and in what ways have you struggled with costly love?

Praying together
Sending song
Benediction

Worship Leader: Glenn Horst Sermon: Jim Musser
Song Leader: Joan Kulp Pianist: Anna Grant
Greeter: Carol Lazer Usher: Ken Blauch
Children's Church: Joanne/Rebecca Next Week: Audrey/Nicole

Meetings and Opportunities for Service

May

8 - Men's breakfast at 7:30am
12---quarterly congregational meeting, 7 pm
15---SCMC bike hike---time TBA
18---congregational care commission mtg @ 7:30 am
19---church exec council @ 7 pm
27---youth assist at soup kitchen, 5 pm at Mkt. St. UMC

June

6---outdoor service followed by potluck meal; celebration of high school grads
Prayer gathering each Tuesday morning at SCMC, 6 am.



Aldine Musser is preaching at Big Spring Mennonite Church this morning.

ABBA's Walk for Life will take place Saturday May 15th at Clearbrook Park, Kiwanas 2 Shelter. Registration is at 8:30 and the walk starts at 9:00am. If you do not plan to walk yourself, Monica Carr would welcome your sponsorship.

DWELLING IN THE WORD scriptures for May are Isaiah 55:6-11; Acts 1:6-11; Psalm 66:16-20.

A bike hike is planned for Saturday, May 15th on the C&O Canal (it's flat!) Bikers will meet in the morning; time and place to be announced. Please see Kelly Phillips for details. Take your bike out for a ride now to be sure that both you and it are ready!

Our church retreat will take place September 3-5, 2010 at Highland retreat. More information will be forthcoming.

We will celebrate the high school graduations of Rachel Drescher and Sarah Lazer on June 6 with an outdoor worship service in our pavilion followed by a potluck meal.

On Wednesday, May 12th at 7 pm the Buildings and Grounds committee will present recommendations regarding window replacement at the congregational meeting.

Highland Scholarships- If you desire a Highland Summer Camp experience for your child but lack funds, a scholarship application is available from your church office or our website at www.highlandretreat.org. Spaces are limited, please register soon. **Highland needs summer help**- We are seeking several weekend hosts to serve in the office/lobby 3-5 weekends and several weeklong RN's to serve at camp (cabin and stipend provided). Male senior (18.5+) and junior (17+) counselors also needed. Contact Dean or Kent at 540-852-3226.

Last week: Offering: Worship service: \$854 YTD budget: - \$1418.96
Sunday School: \$5.00
Attendance: Worship service: 45
Sunday School: 30
Building fund: \$6513.00