

Springdale Communicator

"Taste & See that the Lord is Good!"
(Psalm 34:8)

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Remember in prayer:

- Dorothy Johnson (moving);
- Matt & Kristen Thomas & Family (transition);
- (2 Corinthians) 9:11 Project.



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Tending Our Faith Community

Next Sun., Sept. 27, you will receive information about our upcoming (2 Cor.) **9:11 Project!** Details will be shared in a bulletin insert & during the worship service.

Our **fiscal year ended** August 31 with a deficit of \$8591.56. This was far less than earlier anticipated! Thanks be to God and to many of you who helped reduce this deficit over the last few weeks of August. Finance & Facilities and Ministry Team have agreed to make up this shortfall out of accounts holding excess funds from prior years.

Our MYFers are **sharing at Charlottesville Mennonite Church** this morning, along with their youth, about Columbus 2009.



The MYF will be involved in a **food booth fundraiser** this Sat., Sept. 26, at the Waynesboro Garden Center, beginning at 9 a.m. If you can contribute baked goods for this event, please contact *Muzet Felgar* or *Nancy Stoll*.

After the service today, there will be a Sexual Safety **Training Seminar** and carry-in lunch for congregational members working with Springdale children and youth during this fiscal year.

The Tuesday morning **Women's Bible Study** group will begin meeting again this week, Sept. 22, at 10 a.m. They will be studying the parables of Jesus.

There will be a **bonfire for young adults** next Sunday, Sept. 27, at 7:30 p.m., at *Dave & Mim Wenger's* home.

The next **congregational meal** is scheduled for Wed., September 30, at 5:30 p.m.

Marian Weaver has written a paper about his understanding of "**Millennialism**." Copies are available under the church mailboxes.

Just a reminder to check the Springdale **website** (springdalemennonite.org) for current and upcoming events and to view bulletins and newsletters. The site also includes a link to *Pastor Mark's blog* where you can access sermon manuscripts.

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Additional information has been placed in church mailboxes regarding the **baby shower** for *Evan & Carleen Wenger* which will be held on Sun., Sept. 27, at 4 p.m.

Mark your calendar for our fall congregational **meeting** which will be held on Sunday, October 18, following a noon fellowship meal.

Bill Huffman is **in need of furniture** as he prepares for the arrival of *Minhong* and *Yanyi*. Items needed include bedroom and living room furniture. Please talk to Bill with questions.

The fall **School for Christian Living** session will begin on Wed., Oct. 14, at 6:30 p.m.: *An Odd Body: Church, Witness, and Culture in 1 & 2 Corinthians*. This study is based on the apostle Paul's counsel to Christians in Corinth to live fully in this world, but also according to a new way -- giving up allegiances to the old; clinging to Jesus' way of doing things; and striving for reconciliation. Resource books are available for \$6.

Youth: Giving, Sharing, Learning



Items on the Bulletin Board:

- Free prostate cancer screening, Sept. 23, Augusta Health;
- Bike Shenandoah, Sat., Sept. 26;
- Harvest Day at Crossroads, Sept. 26;
- Greater Love Quartet Concert, Sept. 26, 7 p.m., Wayne Hills Baptist Church;
- Wissmann Family Concert, Sept. 30, 6:30 p.m., Fishersville Baptist Church;
- Special visitation dates at EMU;
- Volunteer information for Hospice of the Shenandoah;
- Job openings at Shalom M.C. and Artisans' Hope;
- Upcoming offerings at Family Life Resource Center.



Today:

- Worship at Charlottesville Mennonite (a.m.);
 - JMYF Meeting (6-7:15 p.m.); MYF Mtg. (7:15-9 p.m.);
- Sept. 26:** MYF Fundraiser at the Waynesboro Garden Center, beginning at

9 a.m. Check email message for details.

Embracing Our Broader Community

Please bring all filled **school kits** to the church as soon as possible to be gathered together for the Relief Sale.

Next Sunday, Sept. 27, it will be Springdale's monthly opportunity to **sing with the residents at Stuarts Draft Christian Home**. If you can help, please be at the Home at 9:30 a.m.

The DePot Grille will be hosting the Augusta Regional Free Clinic for a **tip night fundraiser** once again on Sept. 21, beginning at 5 p.m. Please see the bulletin board for details.

"I'd Like to Buy an Enemy," a new play from **Ted & Company**, will be presented tomorrow evening, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m., at the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. The 90-minute play is a hilarious and poignant satire (presented in drama and music) exploring how we can honestly work for peace and justice. Guaranteed to make you think - and to laugh! Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person. Call 540-515-3581 for more information.

Relief Sale Notes:

- Sign-ups to help with donuts will continue after today's worship service.
- Relief Sale organizers are asking for lots of baked goods this year. Pie plates will be available after the service.
- Only two Sundays remain to fill our blue jug with coin offerings for MCC/VMM!
- Volunteers are needed at the sale in many areas: children's activities, Ten Thousand Villages, produce, funnel cakes, and set-up/take-down. Please check the most recent Relief Sale flyer for details. Extras are available in the literature rack.



The **Mennonite Women of Virginia Annual Retreat** will be held Nov. 13-15 in Richmond. *Mary Thiessen Nation* will be the guest speaker. Brochures are available under the church mailboxes.

The **Refugee Resettlement Center** is anticipating a large influx of new arrivals. They are actively seeking donations of furniture & household items to help prepare homes. Please call *Greg Culbertson* (540-433-7942) if you can help.

Brochures are available in the literature rack regarding W'burg Christian Retreat Center's **Music Weekend** which will be held Oct. 23-25. This is a retreat for adults and children, ages 8-13, who like to sing choral music.



Local author and artist *Joe Nutt* currently has books for sale composed of pen/ink **drawings and narratives of historic houses** in Staunton and Augusta County. Talk to *Nancy Stoll* for more information.

In these times, you may be looking for a way to **smooth out your financial ups and downs**. Consider a SureRate fixed income annuity from Mennonite Mutual Aid, and get a guaranteed rate, tax-deferred growth, and multiple year guarantee periods—and help fund church buildings and renovations. Our MMA Advocate, *Dave Miner*, can connect you to MMA