

Springdale Communicator

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

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Remember in prayer:

- Steve & Deb Pardini & Family (transition);
- Bill Huffman and Minhong & Yanyi Zhang;
- Deaf Youth Ministries (Chris, MaryBeth, Mynor & Mario Moore);
- Andrew & Annie Dutcher (new picture on mission bulletin board);
- (2 Corinthians) 9:11 Project.



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Tending Our Faith Community

Listen during today's worship service and check your bulletin insert for information about our **9:11 Project!**

Don't forget the **baby shower** for *Evan & Carleen Wenger* today, at 4 p.m., here at the church.

Arli Klassen, Executive Director of Mennonite Central Committee, will share with us during next Sunday's worship service. She has served with MCC for many years and in various capacities, including 16 years of service in Africa, the U.S., and Canada.

Next Sunday is also **World Communion Sunday**. We will join with our brothers and sisters around the world and celebrate communion together during the morning worship service. Please be in prayer this week as you prepare your heart for this service.

In preparation for the Advent and Christmas season, **choir practice** will begin on Thurs., Oct. 8, at 7 p.m., here at the church. All are invited to participate!!



Mim Wenger is in need of **jars** for canning grape juice which she then shares with others. If you have jars she can use, please give her a call.

It's not too late to join the Tuesday morning **Women's Bible Study** group! The next meeting will be this week, Sept. 29, at 10 a.m. They are studying Jesus' parables.

There will be a **congregational meal** this Wed., September 30, at 5:30 p.m.

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 will be available for \$6.

If you would like to **help with praise music** on Sunday mornings, either vocally or instrumentally, please talk to *Martha Laub*.

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



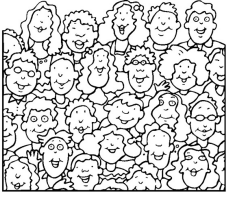
Bill Huffman is in need of **furniture** as he prepares for the arrival of *Minhong* and *Yanyi*. Items needed include bedroom and living room furniture. Please talk to Bill with questions.

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.

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.

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Youth/Young Adults: Giving/Sharing/Learning



Items on the Bulletin Board:

- *Wissmann Family Concert, Sept. 30, 6:30 p.m., Fishersville Baptist Church;*
- *New Life Ministries' annual Sharathon, Sept. 30-Oct. 30, on 1150AM WNLR;*
- *Manhattan Piano Trio performance, Oct. 4, 7 p.m., at Park View M.C.;*
- *Special visitation dates at EMU;*
- *Upcoming offerings at Family Life Resource Center;*
- *Celebrate Recovery ministry at Waynesboro M.C.;*
- *Music Weekend at WCRC, Oct. 23-25.*



Today:

- The JMYFers will meet at the church this evening, 6 -7:15 p.m.;
- There will be no MYF meeting this evening;
- All young adults are invited to a bonfire this evening at 7:30 p.m., at Friendship Park.

Wed., Oct. 7: JMYF/MYF Parent meeting (6:30 p.m.);

Sun., Oct. 11: Joint MYF/Young Adult Meeting (7 p.m.)

Embracing Our Broader Community

Relief Sale - this Friday & Saturday, Oct. 2-3:

- Last call to sign up to help with donuts at the Relief Sale!
- Relief Sale organizers are asking for lots of baked goods this year. Pie plates are available in the foyer.
- This is the last Sunday 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.

October issues of *Prayer Vine* (Mennonite Mission Network) are available in the literature rack.

Valley Mission in Staunton is in **need of coats, jackets, hats & gloves** for men, women and children. You can drop them off at the mission or see *Amie Trinca* for more information.



You are invited to a program by the **Rockingham Male Chorus** on Sun., Oct. 4, at 7 p.m., at Mt. Vernon Church of the Brethren.

The **Staunton Choral Society** is a local non-audition choir that meets on Monday evenings from 7:00-9:00 at First Baptist Church and presents two concerts a year. There is a need for tenors and basses, although sopranos and altos are certainly welcome. This group works hard and has fun! If you're interested in joining, please call *Sherry von Oeyen* at 886-2952.

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.

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.

Check the bulletin board for a **Middle East work group opportunity** for May, 2010!



VMM Mission Note: *Rose Jantzi*, tranSend and Radical Journey participant, is learning to know the community in Asuncion, Paraguay, where she is serving. Ask God to enable her for every task and situation she faces.

Loren Horst will speak at the 9th annual **Kennel Charles Anabaptist Lecture series** at EMHS, September 28, 7 p.m., in the school auditorium. His title is "Witness in an Age of Tolerance: A Perspective from Virginia Mennonite Conference and Missions." Loren, President of Virginia Mennonite Missions, will reflect on witness in our world today and the work of VMM. All are invited to this public event.