

Springdale Communicator

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

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Remember in prayer:

- Daryl Felgar (hernia surgery Oct. 9);
- Mary Ellen Showalter;
- Carolyn See (knee surgery Oct. 9);
- Regina Wenger (transition);
- Matt & Kristen Thomas & Family (move);
- (2 Corinthians) 9:11 Project;
- Deaf Fellowship Leadership Team (Chris/MaryBeth Moore).



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Tending Our Faith Community



Today is the final Sunday to sign up for our **(2 Corinthians) 9:11 Project!**

The following people have been **nominated to serve** in ministry positions as noted: *Dave Mininger*, Adult Sunday School Superintendent (through 8/31/11) and *Bruce Swartz*, Education Commission Coordinator (through 8/31/12). Please prayerfully consider these names and respond with affirmation or concerns to a member of the Discerning Committee by October 25.

This Wed., Oct. 14, there will be a **congregational meal** at 5:30 p.m., followed by the first session of our fall **School for Christian Living** at 6:30 p.m. All are invited!

Our fall **congregational meeting** will be held next Sunday, Oct. 18, following a noon **fellowship meal**. Please bring food and drink to share! Annual reports are in church mailboxes today. Please review before the congregational meeting.

Dick & Louise Alderfer will be delivering a **surprise care package** to *Andrew and Annie Dutcher* the week of Oct. 19. If you would like to participate, please place a card, note or small gift in the basket in the foyer by next Sun., Oct. 18, and sign your name with your gift.

On Wed. evening, Oct. 28, Clubs participants will celebrate the fact that we love Jesus and want to share that love with others. Following a festive dinner at 5:30, we will host **"Trunk or Treat"** in the church parking lot. We want to use this night to reach out to the community by providing a safe and fun alternative to typical Halloween traditions. You are invited to decorate the back of a truck, the trunk of a car, or a parking space with Bible story themes, "punny" phrases, or other uplifting ideas. Decorated spaces should include treats for the children attending. What would you like to share with our children and others from our community? Contact *Krista Powell* if you have ideas or ways you would like to contribute to this evening.

To better meet the needs of our children, the Worship Commission has created **Springdale Church bags** to be used by families during worship services. These colorful bags are located in the crate at the back of the sanctuary where the clipboards have been previously. They include several different "quiet" activities and are best suited to children 3 years and older. As there are only five bags currently, please take one per family. Please also help care for the bags by returning them (including all contents) to the crate. Enjoy!

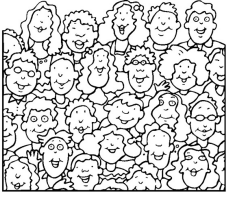
It's not too late to join the **Springdale choir!** They are preparing music for the Advent and Christmas season, and are practicing each Thursday at 7 p.m. Talk to *Orpha Beyeler* if you have questions.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the recent **youth bake sale fundraiser**. Net proceeds were approximately \$390!!



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Youth/Young Adults: Giving/Sharing/Learning



Items on the Bulletin Board:

- *Dining Room Supervisor/Host(ess) position available at VMRC;*
- *Augsburger Lecture Series speaker Marva Dawn, Oct. 20, 11 a.m., at EMS;*
- *Daphna Creek and Doyle Moats, Jr. benefit concert, Oct. 23, 7 p.m.;*
- *Highland Retreat's Annual Fall Banquet & Fundraiser, Oct. 27, at EMHS;*
- *New Life Ministries' annual Sharathon, now through Oct. 30, on 1150AM WNLR;*
- *Music Weekend at WCRC, Oct. 23-25;*
- *Men's Festival of Praise Concert at EMHS, Nov. 1, 4 p.m.*



Today: Joint MYF/Young Adult Praise Gathering (7 p.m.); No Evening JMYF Meeting;

Sun., Oct. 18: JMYF/MYF Bonfire at Logan's (5 p.m.);
Sat., Oct. 24: Young Adult Dinner/Maze in Harrisonburg (6 p.m.);

Wed., Oct. 28: JMYF/MYF Help with "Trunk or Treat."



Embracing Our Broader Community

The MMA-sponsored **Good Sense Budget Course** will be presented at Stuarts Draft M.C. on Sat., Oct. 24, 8:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m., by *Stephen Cavanaugh and Chad Hatter*. Brochures are available under the church mailboxes.

Copies of the most recent **Mennonite Women of VA newsletter** are available under church mailboxes. To be added to their email list, send your email address to peasebv@jmu.edu. You can also visit the following website for updates/events: vmconf.org/related/mwv.htm.

We have received thank-you notes for our **recent donations** to the following organizations: EMHS (\$625); Mennonite Education Agency; EMU (\$250); EMS (\$250); Highland Retreat (\$250); and Pleasant View, Inc. (\$250).

Mark your calendars for a **Deaf Youth Fellowship fundraiser** here at Springdale on Tues., Nov. 10. More details will follow.

Please **check the bulletin board** for information on the following items:

- Mennofaith 2025, a church history course beginning Oct. 12 at The Gathering Place in Harrisonburg;
- A new documentary from Third Way Media which will be airing on NBC: *Long Road Back: Ex-Offenders' Struggle for Acceptance;*
- *Learning About Boundaries and Positive Parenting* sessions at FLRC.

View the film ***Pray the Devil Back to Hell*** and dialogue with renowned peacebuilder, *Leymah Gbowee* of Liberia on Thurs., Oct. 22, 7-9 p.m., at EMU. This film is the gripping account of a group of brave & visionary women who demanded peace for Liberia, a nation torn to shreds by a decades-old civil war. Also, this is a rare opportunity to hear Leymah in person and ask her questions. Admission is free.

You are invited to a sacred concert by the **Rockingham Male Chorus** on Sun., Oct. 25, 7 p.m., at the Waynesboro Church of the Brethren.

Tomorrow morning, Oct. 12, 7:30-9:00, *Margaret Foth* will **share her life story** in EMU's west dining room. Margaret has served with MCC, Mennonite Media, and Mennonite Mission Network. Check the bulletin board for further details.

Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community will host a free educational **session about Alzheimer's** entitled "Time for a Care Change," 10-11:30 a.m., on Oct. 15. The session is free and will be in Strite Auditorium of Crestwood Assisted Living. This seminar will be presented by the Alzheimer's Association and will include practical and informative suggestions for family members, caregivers and others who work with people experiencing Alzheimer's diseases and related memory loss disorders.

Eastern Mennonite High School celebrates **Homecoming 2009** - October 16-18...visit eastern-mennoniteschool.org for all the details.

