

Spring Mount Mennonite Church

www.springmountmennonite.org

610-287-5280

Our Mission: To reach out to our community as a healthy congregation able to offer welcome and fellowship for the purpose of salvation and nurture in God's grace.

Pastor:	Christian J. Nickels	484-962-0029
Associate Pastor:	Don McDonough	610-222-0357
Elders:	Eleanor Ruth	215-361-6855
	Ruth Reinford	610-287-2361
	Rich Miller	215-723-5422

Preservice Prayer Time 9:30 a.m. (in a classroom in the basement)

Worship Service 9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

December 6, 2009

Second Sunday of Advent

Preservice Music	Eileen Viau
Call to Worship	Steve Hershey
Congregational Singing	Gay Brunt Miller
Scriptures:	
	Luke 3:1-6 p.834
	Luke 1:68-79 p. 832
	Philippians 1:3-11 p.953

Get ready!

Lighting of Advent Candles	
Theme Song	"I Will Trust in You"
Children's Time	Kelly Fickert
Congregational Singing	Gay Brunt Miller
Sermon:	"Waiting and Preparing"
Litany of Response	Chris Nickels

Celebration of Communion

Offering	
Prayers of the People	
Sharing of Praises and Prayer Requests	
Closing Song	Gay Brunt Miller
Benediction	Steve Hershey

Greeters/Ushers:	Al Paul	David McDonough	Carol Menser
		Jonathan Pennington	Rich Miller

THIS WEEK AT SPRING MOUNT MENNONITE CHURCH

Wednesday, **December 9**, 7:30 p.m. – **Bible Study** at Ruth Reinford's home

Wednesday, **December 9**, 7:30 p.m. – **Church Council Meeting**

Friday, **December 11**, 7:00 p.m. – **Kidz Club Christmas Party** at the Hershey's home

Saturday, **December 12**, 5:30 p.m. – **Movie night** – *Charlie Brown's Christmas* – and singing **Christmas carols.**

NEXT SUNDAY: December 13, 2009

Third Sunday of Advent

Sermon:	"Return and Rejoice"	Chris Nickels
Scriptures:	Isaiah 12; Zephaniah 3:14-20; Luke 3:7-18	
Worship Leader:	Bill Hallahan	
Song Leaders:	Deb & Dan McDonough	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION! Current weekly offerings are not meeting our budget. Our average weekly offering (July 1 through November 29) is **\$1385.** **\$1790** is needed to meet our budget. Thank you for supporting the ongoing ministries of Spring Mount Mennonite Church.

Christmas Peace Pilgrimage, Saturday, December 12. For 50 years people who believe in the importance of peace have walked from Nazareth to Bethlehem, PA, recalling the journey of Mary and Joseph. Participants meet in Bethlehem at 11:00 a.m. and buses transport pilgrims to Nazareth Moravian Church, where the pilgrimage begins. Pilgrims may join at any point along the way. The pilgrimage concludes at Christ United Church of Christ in Bethlehem around 5:30 p.m. for a light meal. The evening speaker will be the **Rev. Dr. James A. Forbes, Jr.**, pastor emeritus of the Riverside Church. For information call 610-433-6421 or visit www.peacewalk.org.

Karen's Place, the coffee shop ministry of **Doylestown Mennonite Church**, will feature **"Christmas Through Mary's Eyes"** on Saturday, **December 12**, 7:30 p.m. Wendy Wiedemeirer, using song and words, will portray Mary, exploring the emotions she may have felt, as she ponders the birth of Jesus. No admission charge; free refreshments will be served. For information call 215-345-6377 or visit www.karensplace.org.

Come to the **Evening Song and Prayer Sservice** at **Perkasie Mennonite Church** on Sunday, **December 13**, 7:00 p.m. Using music from the Taizé community, as well as hymns of the church, we gather for scripture, song, silence, and prayer. For information call 215-257-3117 or visit www.perkmenno.org

Depth of Mercy will be in concert at **Perkiomenville Mennonite Church** on Friday, **December 18**, 7:00 p.m. Join Bruce Burgess, Sandy Landis, and Bonita Ness in celebrating Christmas with old favorites and new arrangements with their unique 3-part harmony southern gospel style. A freewill offering will be received. For information visit www.depthofmercy.com, call 215-234-4011, or visit www.perkmc.com.

Make plans to attend the **Music and Worship Leaders' Retreat** on **January 8-10** at **Laurelville Mennonite Church Center**. During the weekend you will enjoy quality workshops, resource sharing, fellowship with like-spirited individuals, and opportunities to create worshipful music. To register call 800-839-1021 or visit www.Laurelville.org.

SCRIPTURE VERSE OF THE MONTH: But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 3:20

REMINDER OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 6 – Bel Canto Children's Chorus at Zion Mennonite Church

December 6 – Christmas Song Service at Franconia Mennonite Church

December 12 – Theorem Painting Workshop at Mennonite Heritage Center

December 13 – Franconia-Lancaster Choral Singers at Zion Mennonite Church

December 13 – Handel's *Messiah* at Blooming Glen Mennonite Church

NOTE: On the bulletin board there is a sign-up sheet for those who would like to provide cookie dough and/or help bake Christmas cookies on December 12, 9:00 a.m., at the Jerusalem Lutheran Church in Schwenksville. Contact Cheryl McCauley for more information.