Spring Mount Mennonite Church

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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	610-287-3681
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Elders:	Eleanor Ruth	215-855-0894
	Dan Keeler	215-257-4888
	Ruth Reinford	610-287-2361
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Worship Service 9:45 a.m. *Coffee Time 10:45 a.m.* *Sunday School 11:00 a.m.*

January 18, 2009

Preservice Music		Chris Nickels
Gathering and Praising		
Welcome / Call to Worship		Glenn Cooper
Congregational Singing		Dave Brunk
Announcements		
Congregational Singing		Dave Brunk
Offering		
Hearing God's Word		
Scripture:	Matthew 8:5-13	p. 789
Children's Time		Kelly Fickert
Scriptures:	Mark 2:1-12	p. 813
	Isaiah 43:18-25	pp. 586-587
Sermon:	***"Intruding"***	Chris Nickels
Responding		
Song of Response		Dave Brunk
Praises and Prayer Requests / Congregational Prayer		
Sending		
Closing Song		Dave Brunk
Benediction		Glenn Cooper

Greeters/Ushers:	Carl Nyce	David McDonough	Carol Menser
	Eva Nyce	Jonathan Pennington	Rich Miller

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, **Jan. 20,** 6:00-8:30 p.m. – **Alpha Welcome Dinner** at Franconia Café
Contact Don McDonough for more details.

UPCOMING EVENTS at SPRING MOUNT MENNONITE CHURCH

February 6, 7, & 8 – **Youth Retreat** at Sugar Hollow in the Poconos. Theme – ***Making It Real***. Contact Don McDonough for details.

Saturday, **February 14**, 6:00 p.m. – **Valentine Dinner**

NEXT SUNDAY: January 25, 2009

Sermon:	***"Plotting a Revolution"***	Chris Nickels
Scriptures:	Mark 3:1-19	
Worship Leader:		Ben Morrow
Song Leader:		Gay Brunt Miller

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A letter of **transfer of membership** for **Chris and Sara Nickels** was received from West Swamp Mennonite Church. Chris and Sara are now officially members of Spring Mount Mennonite Church.

The Elders and Church Council have decided to subscribe to a **voice broadcasting service** beginning this month to make weather related announcements and to share urgent prayer concerns with the congregation. You will receive a phone call saying ***"This is a message from Spring Mount Mennonite Church"*** followed by a recorded message from Pastor Chris. This resource will hopefully enhance our ability to communicate church news timely and effectively. **This service will replace our current prayer chain; however, we will continue to send an email announcement to those on the email list.**

Christopher Dock Mennonite High School will host a **prospective student visitation day** on Friday, **January 23**. To arrange a visit, contact 215-362-2675.

Line Lexington Mennonite Church invites you to a ***"Managing Your Money"*** simulcast on Saturday, **January 24,** 11:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Come to hear financial experts who will give you the tools to both SURVIVE and THRIVE in today's economy. Speakers include Dick Towner, primary author of Willow Creek Association's ***"Good Sense"*** curriculum, Dr. Susan McCarthy and Matt Bell. There will be breaks with light refreshments included. $15 per person. Pre-registration is required. Call 215-822-0446.

Christopher Dock's Robotics Club will host its first-ever robotics scrimmage on Saturday, **January 24,** in the Clemens Center Gym. The Vex Elevation tournament will feature competing robotics teams from area schools. Matches begin at 10:00 a.m. and the finals are scheduled for 3:00 p.m.

The Eastern Mennonite Seminary class **Good News, Culture and Anabaptism**, led by **Steve Kriss**, begins on Monday, **January 26**, at **Biblical Seminary** in Hatfield, PA. The course is set to explore the possibilities of the Good News from an Anabaptist perspective in a tumultuous and interconnected world. To register call 866-368-5262 or go to www.emu.edu/lancaster/seminary. Costs are $195 for non credit students, $1032 for three credits. Scholarships may be available through the Conference.

SCRIPTURE VERSE OF THE MONTH:

These things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. – 1 Corinthians 2:10

REMINDER OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 30 – February 1 – Winter Retreat at Spruce Lake
February 13-15 – Winter Peace Retreat at Spruce Lake

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- **Mennonite Disaster Service** is seeking supervisors and crew leaders.
  Check bulletin board in foyer for more details and additional postings

JOIN IN PRAYER FOR:

- **Karen Hansberry**, who is recovering from back surgery.