

Spring Mount Mennonite Church

www.springmountmennonite.org

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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.

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

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

March 22, 2009

Fourth Sunday of Lent	<i>God restores in the midst of despair</i>
Preservice Music	Eleanor Ruth
Announcements	
Call to Worship	Bill Hallahan
Congregational Singing	Gay Brunt Miller
Children's Time	Randi Moyer
Scripture:	John 1:1-14 p. 862
Sermon:	<i>"Hope in the Midst of Despair"</i> Eileen Viau
Song of Response	Gay Brunt Miller
Offering	
Sharing/Congregational Prayer & Response	Eileen Viau
Closing Song	Gay Brunt Miller
Benediction	Bill Hallahan

Greeters/Ushers:	Steve Hershey	David McDonough	Carol Menser
	Kathy Hershey	Jonathan Pennington	Rich Miller

THIS WEEK AT SPRING MOUNT MENNONITE CHURCH

Monday, **March 23**, 6:00 p.m. – **Anabaptist Meal Liturgy** with Stuart Murray Williams at **Plains Mennonite Church**

Wednesday, **March 25**, 6:45 p.m. – **Worship Committee Meeting**

UPCOMING EVENTS AT SPRING MOUNT MENNONITE CHURCH

Thursday, **April 9**, 6:00 p.m. – **Maundy Thursday Fellowship Meal**, including communion and footwashing (for those who wish to participate)

Friday, **April 10**, 7:00 p.m. – Good Friday service

Saturday, **April 11**, 11:00 a.m. – Easter Egg Hunt

NEXT SUNDAY: March 29, 2009

Sermon: **Fifth Sunday of Lent**
Stuart Murray Williams

"Mission Beyond the Comfort Zone"

Scripture: Acts 11:1-18

Worship Leader: Chris Nickels

Song Leader: Gay Brunt Miller

Stuart Murray Williams will lead an interactive Sunday School class for the adults next Sunday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our group subscription plan to *The Mennonite* is renewing. This magazine for Mennonite Church USA seeks to fulfill its mission of helping readers glorify God, grow in faith and become agents of healing and hope in the world through articles that challenge and inspire, news that connects readers to the larger Mennonite community. If you are **interested in joining** our group plan – or **want to discontinue** your subscription – **please contact Rich Miller by April 5.**
– Rich Miller

All are invited to see **Joseph: From the Pit to the Palace**, a free musical performed by children at **Souderton Mennonite Church** on Saturday, **March 28**, 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, **March 29**, 3:00 p.m. All ages will enjoy this upbeat and fun musical that teaches about the godly character the Lord wants to develop in each of us – integrity, faith, courage, endurance, humility, compassion, and forgiveness – all seen in the life of Joseph. For more details, visit www.soudertonmennonite.org or call 215-723-3088.

All are invited to the **Life With God Dinner** to be held on Monday, **March 30**, 6:30 p.m., at **Christopher Dock Mennonite High School**. For more information see the flier on the bulletin board. An offering will be received to benefit the Life with God radio broadcast. Contact [Dave Brunk](mailto:Dave.Brunk@pennview.org) for free tickets.

Penn View Christian School is hosting an **All School Visitation** for prospective families on Monday, **March 30**, 9:00 a.m. For more information call Sandra Harrell at 215-723-1196 or visit www.pennview.org.

All parents and youth leaders are invited to a **free seminar on Internet Safety** on Wednesday, **April 1**, 7:00 p.m., at **Souderton Mennonite Church**. Randy Floyd, Lieutenant, Telford Borough Police Dept., and Darwin Zehr, Director of Technology at Christopher Dock Mennonite High School, will discuss safety issues with the internet, cell phones, social networking sites, sex messaging, as well as how to cope with and manage the influence of technology and the media on youth. For more information visit www.soudertonmennonite.org or call 215-723-3088.

All are invited to the **7th Annual regional Men's Chorus Celebration** at **Weaverland Mennonite Church** in East Earl, PA on Sunday, **March 29**, 6:30 p.m. A freewill offering will benefit the work of Mennonite Central Committee.

SCRIPTURE VERSE OF THE MONTH:

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God,
who are called according to his purpose – Romans 8:28

REMINDER OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 27 – "Mennonites Engaging Iran" at Plains Mennonite Church

March 29 – "See, I am doing a new thing!" at Plains Mennonite Church

March 30, 31 & April 1 – MCC Mobile Canner at Christopher Dock Mennonite High School

JOIN IN PRAYER FOR:

Franconia Mennonite Conference prayer focus for this week is:

- **Pastors** – Pray for the pastors of the Franconia Conference churches to be filled with the Holy Spirit as they lead and equip the congregation.