

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

## TODAY / THIS WEEK

**Today 9:30 a.m.:** “Exploring Biblical Forgiveness” Adult  
Sunday School Class Begins

**Thurs. 7:15 a.m.:** Morning Prayers

### Gathering

Prelude - *Ranita Shenk*

Welcome and Announcements - *Meg Emery*

“How Will We Know . . . What We Know?”

- *Noah Breeden, Flora Martinez*

Call to Worship (back of bulletin)

### Praising

Congregational Singing - *Wendy Hochstedler*

Prayer for El Salvador Churches - *Ranita Shenk*

Offering (*includes coin offerings for missions*)

### Listening

Children’s Time - *c/o Carleen Layman*

Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

Message: “When the Way is Unclear” - *Kevin Goertzen*

### Responding and Sending

Interactive Response

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song

Benediction

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*Nursery Volunteer: Alma Martinez Lara*

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**Please pray** for Jim Brenneman (recovering from hernia surgery this past week); and Sharon Shenk’s dad Lyle Burkholder (his condition has improved, but he is still having difficulty swallowing without choking - please pray for wisdom and peace related to next steps).

Thirty (30) **infant kits** were collected for distribution through MCC! Thank you to everyone who participated in this project.

### NEXT WEEK / COMING EVENTS

**Jan. 14:** Congregational Meeting (12:45 p.m., following lunch)

**Jan. 19:** Game Night (6:30 p.m.)

**Jan. 22:** Providing Lunch for Disciples’ Kitchen (11:30 a.m.)

**Feb. 3:** VMC Winter Delegate Assembly (W’boro Menn. Church)

**Feb. 18:** Southern & Central Districts’ “Year of Worship, Healing, Reflection & Renewal” Service (6 p.m., at Springdale)

**Feb. 24:** Congregational Lasagna Meal (6 p.m., more info. coming)

**Feb. 26-Mar. 4, 2024:** Serve as Host for WARM Participants

**July 12-14:** Church Day Out Weekend at Highland Retreat

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Next Sun., Jan. 14, there will be a **congregational meal and meeting** following worship. If you are willing to help bring food for this meal, please use the link you received via email or contact Nancy Stoll. Agenda items for the meeting will include the budget and ministry roles for 2024, and the upcoming pastoral transition.

If you have **quilts in winter colors** and are willing to share them for a few months to hang in the church sanctuary, please contact Nancy Stoll.

If you would like to participate in Springdale’s **group subscription to Anabaptist World**, please talk to Nancy Stoll by Jan. 21. Copies of this publication are available to review in the church library.

**Financial Update:** We are praising God for His faithfulness through the generosity of His people, as giving in 2023 more than covered the expenses for the year! Specific year-end financial information will be available in the coming weeks.

Note from **Joyce Louise Bromwell’s Family:** “Dear Springdale, Thank you for your love & support for Gran & Pop over the years! Some of Gran’s greatest joy was teaching Sunday School to ‘her girls’ & making Christmas costumes. We appreciate how you reached out with cards & visits! Thanks, also, for your help with the funeral! Blessings.”