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9:15 / 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship

Gathering

Prelude - *Ranita Shenk*Welcome and Announcements - *Gerald Shenk*Call to Worship and Prayer

Praising

Congregational Singing - Alan & Sharon Shenk
Prayer for El Salvador Churches - Denise Goertzen
Offering (includes coin offerings for ComfortCare Women's Health)

Listening

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:1-2, 2:4-10 Message: "Taken" - *Kevin Goertzen*

Responding

Song of Response Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Sending

Sending Song Benediction

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Annual reports for 2023 were recently distributed via email. Paper copies are available under the church mailboxes if you would like one.

All three votes from last Sunday passed. Copies of the 2024 budget are available in the literature rack; a list of those serving in ministry roles will be available soon; and the approved Pastoral Search Committee members are *Ann Frank (Chr.)*, *Jim Goalder, Mark Hochstedler, Kim Powell, and Ranita Shenk*.

THIS WEEK

Tues. 7:00 p.m.: Evening Prayers

Wed. 7:00 p.m.: Congregational Co./Spiritual Health Co./

Pastoral Search Committee Meeting (7 p.m.)

NEXT WEEK / COMING EVENTS

Feb. 11: Collecting Coins in Baby Bottles for CCWH

Feb. 11: Shared Meal (after Worship)

Feb. 16: Game Night (6:30 p.m.)

Feb. 18: Southern & Central Districts' "Night of Worship" (6 p.m., at Springdale)

Feb. 24: Congregational Lasagna Meal (6 p.m.)

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

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

A number of people in our congregation are **struggling with illness**, **pain and/or depression**. Pray for God's healing, mercy & grace!

We will have a **shared meal** next Sun., Feb. 11, following worship. Plan to bring food & drink to share during this time of fellowship; and please sign up in the foyer if you can help with clean-up.

On Sun., Feb. 18, Springdale will host a **joint worship service** for the Central & Southern Districts beginning at 6 p.m. The service will move through the themes of worship, healing, reflection, & renewal. Our time together will include singing, the reading of Scripture, prayer, & a brief message on healing from Maren Hange. Springdale will offer finger food snacks for a time of fellowship afterwards. <u>Please sign up in the foyer if you can provide cookies and/or salty snacks</u>.

Tammy Driver is providing a **congregational lasagna meal** on Feb. 24 at 6 p.m. Sign up in the foyer if you plan to participate.

Springdale will host guests from WARM February 26 - March 4. There are a number of ways you can help: providing food, being an evening host, helping with serving / clean-up, etc. <u>Please see the signup sheet in the foyer</u>, and talk to Alan Shenk with any questions.

Volunteers are needed to assist Pastor Kevin in planning a Maundy Thursday service on March 28, which will include footwashing and communion. Talk to Kevin Goertzen or Nancy Stoll if you can help.

This is the time of year when Springdale considers **those interested in financial assistance for Christian education** (2024-2025 school year, grade 6 through college). If you are interested in discussing this possibility, please contact Alan Shenk.

Coin offerings collected today & next Sunday will benefit the **Baby Bottle Campaign** of ComfortCare Women's Health. If you took a baby bottle home, please return it to Springdale by Feb. 18.

Copies of Springdale's **February calendar** are available in the literature rack.

Springdale has supported **the ministry of Armando & Veronica Sanchez** in Waynesboro for a number of years, both financially & also through Pastor Kevin's participation on their Ministry Support Team (MST). Each Southern District church is asked to provide someone to serve on the MST; and in light of our upcoming pastoral transition, someone will be needed to represent Springdale. The MST meets every one or two months (often via Zoom) and supports Armando & Veronica emotionally, through prayer, & by helping secure the necessary financial contributions / commitments. Please talk to Ann Frank if you may be interested in being involved in this ministry, or to Pastor Kevin if you have additional questions.

Please see the bulletin board for the 2024 projects of the Hinton Mennonite Relief Center! Also, Virginia Conference churches are invited to help with **chicken canning** at the center on Tues., Feb. 20 (funds & volunteers are both needed). See the flyer for additional details.

VMMissions Note: The Schoenhals & Horst families are working with local partners in Thailand to create a training process for welcoming new long-term mission workers in Isaan (Northeast Thailand). Pray for wisdom & creativity in this endeavor.