Menno Bulletin Weekly

Bulletin Announcements for September 4, 2016

Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

Sept. 11 - 10:30 am "Outdoor service" followed by picnic and games.

Sept. 11 – Retreat Registration forms due to Steve Stoltzfus' mailbox.

Sept. 18 – Atlantic Coast Conference representatives – 9:30 (S.S. hour).

Sept. 21 – Elder Team meeting – 7:00 pm.

Sept. 23-25 – Annual Retreat at Penn Valley Retreat Center.

Oct. 2,9,16,23 -Discussion/listening meetings on "The Discernment Format for Healthy Church Process" 9:15-10:15 am.

Oct. 12 – Worship Team meeting – 7:00 pm.

Oct. 17 – WH Volunteer day at MCC Resource Center; 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.

Sunday, September 4 Sunday, September 11

Message Leon Oberholtzer Randy Keener

Greeters Mim Eberly and Esther Mast John and Mim Buckwalter

~Keep Pastor Randy and Emily in your prayers for their safe return home Monday, September 5 after vacationing in Peru.

~The Outdoor Worship Service on Sept 11th will also be the Kick off to Community Night. After the worship service we will have a Pork Roast meal and Kickball game. The Community Night schedules for children and adults were put in mailboxes. Food signup sheets are on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Sign up for salad, fruit, cookies/bars.

Our theme verse for Community Night this year will be 2 Corinthians 5:15.

And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

- **~We have had the** opportunity to hear from and ask questions of Ervin Stutzman (MC USA), Keith Weaver (LMC) as well as Jason Kuniholm (our bishop) regarding Witmer Heights Mennonite Church's relationship with the wider Mennonite church. **We will use the Sunday school hour on September 18** to hear from, and ask questions of two representatives from Atlantic Coast Conference. (Merv Stoltzfus and Joanne Dietzel) Please save the date. **~Neil Reinford**
- ~Church Retreat is just around the corner! Those with email addresses received an email from the Retreat Committee with details for the Retreat at Penn Valley September 23-25. If you were not able to download the forms, there will be forms in your mailbox at church. (What a deal!! The price has stayed the same since 2011.) Your completed form is due to by September 11 to Steve Stoltzfus' church mailbox.
- ~The people of Witmer Heights Mennonite Church will be meeting on October 2, 9, 16, 23 from 9:15-10:15 to discuss and determine how Witmer Heights Mennonite will relate to the wider Mennonite Church. The meetings will be held in the Commons area of Locust Grove Mennonite School so that there will be enough space and to also not disturb the First Deaf worship time. The children will have activities supervised by people from outside the congregation so that all parents and teachers can participate in the discussion and listening. At 10:15 the congregation will go over to the church building and have the worship time as usual.

The "Discernment Format for Healthy Church Process," developed by Jason and Joanne Kuniholm, will be followed with leadership provided by the Witmer Heights elder team. A copy of the format went out by email and was also placed in the church mailboxes.

Connections at Mellinger – Tuesday, Sept. 13 – 9:00-11:00 am - A Welcome Brunch will be served on the first day of 2016-2017 Connections. Meet with new friends and old friends as we enjoy a light brunch. All Welcome!