WELCOME TO

STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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October 22, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: Make Your Faith Known

Worship Leader: Curt Lichtenfels
Music: Stahl Musicians

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering Song: God Be the Love # 43

Call to Worship

Leader: Through Sarah, we met a God who heals.

People: God's healing comes in many ways.

Leader: Through Moses, we heard a God who stutters.

People: God works despite our mortal bodies.

Leader: Through Paul, we felt Christ in our weaknesses. People: In tender places, Christ is often most present.

Leader: In Christ, God's body ached, wept, sweat blood, and was

crucified.

People: Now this God carries our abilities and our limitations.

Leader: The image of God shines through and all around us.

People: Each of our bodies reflects the image of God.

All: Thanks be to God!
- Jim Grossnickle-Batterton

Opening Prayer

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns: "God of Love, Hear our Prayer"

Singing: Just as I am Without One Plea #560

Focus Moment

Scripture: I Thessalonians 1:1-10

Sitting with the Scripture:

Take a moment to sit in silent reflection of what has just been read. Let the words and the Spirit settle in your being.

Message: "A Speigle Moment" - Jayne **Response**: (congregation reads in unison)

Loving God,

by the mystery of your grace

we are stamped with the image of your love.

Let your image shine in us now; be our worth and our beauty. Let us hear your love in us speak your word. Amen.

Sending song: Jesus, Be the Center #584

Sending words

Bulletin Editor for October: Shana Lichtenfels – (814) 288-0171

Front Table for October: Shana Lichtenfels Outdoor Sign for October: Neil Lehman

St. Francis Sharing & Caring Item for October: Toilet Paper

Offering: 10/15/2023 – \$ 898.70 – General Fund

October Mission Offering: MEDA (Mennonite Economic Development Associates)

Wed., Oct 25, 4:30-6:30: Soup Night

Sat., Nov 4: Allegheny Mennonite Conference Delegate Session,

Winchester, VA

Wed., Nov 8, 6:30: Church Council

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or by sending them a card this week: Tues. Oct. 24 – Ruby Barrett-Ross; Wed. Oct. 25 – Paul Lehman

Jayne hopes to be in the office on Wed. and Friday. She can be contacted at any time by calling or texting 330-224-3944 or emailing stahlmennonite@gmail.com.

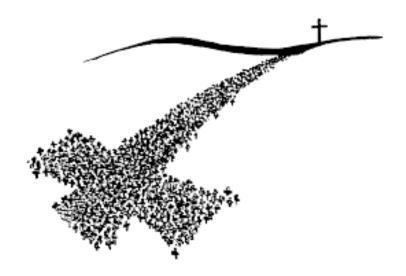
Mark your calendar for Soup Night, set for this Wednesday, Oct 25 from 4:30-6:30, when we open ourselves to the community for hot soup and warm fellowship. If you would like to provide soup or help in any other way, please let Joy Cotchen know by Monday, so she knows how to plan!

Hearing assistance headphones are available at the back of the sanctuary.

We are trying some new ways to worship during the Sunday morning gatherings. One is an **Activity Table located in the back of the sanctuary, just under the nursery windows.** There are supplies there for children as well as other creative folks to use to help engage the morning worship with paper, color, or other art supplies. Anyone of any age is welcome to see what is there to enhance your worship. Please return any unused supplies to the table after worship ends.

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"You became imitators... of the Lord"

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****** PRAYER REQUESTS**********

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