



# Springfield Cornerstone

Every Sunday morning  
 9:30 am Sunday school  
 10:30 am Worship Service

## FEBRUARY, 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>MISSION STATEMENT:</b>            "Following Jesus for the glory of God and our neighbors good"</p>					<p><b>1</b>            Jr. High Rally,            North Bend Cob</p>	<p><b>2</b>            Jr. High Rally</p>
<p><b>3</b> 2 Cent Meal offering            2 pm bowling</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b> Bible Study, 6-7 pm            Chinese New Year</p>	<p><b>6</b> Ladies Bible Study, 10 am</p>	<p><b>7</b> Choir Practice, 7 pm</p>	<p><b>8</b> Youth Winter Camp</p>	<p><b>9</b> Youth Winter Camp</p>
<p><b>10</b>            2 pm bowling</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b> Bible Study, 6-7 pm            Commissions &amp; Executive Comm Mtg, 7 pm</p>	<p><b>13</b> Ladies Bible Study, 10 am</p>	<p><b>14</b> Choir Practice, 7 pm</p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p>
<p><b>17</b>            2 pm bowling</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b> Bible Study, 6-7 pm</p>	<p><b>20</b> Ladies Bible Study, 10 am</p>	<p><b>21</b> Choir Practice, 7 pm</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p>
<p><b>24</b>            2 pm bowling</p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b> Bible Study, 6-7 pm</p>	<p><b>27</b> Ladies Bible Study, 10 am</p>	<p><b>28</b> Choir Practice, 7 pm</p>		



**Bible Study**

**Bible Study** Bible study meets Tuesday evenings from 6-7 pm in the room next to the kitchen. Everyone invited. Contact Becky Burtoft for more info.

**Ladies Bible Study** The ladies study group meets for Bible Study on Wednesdays at 10 am. All women are welcome.

**Choir Practice is on** Thursday evenings at 7 pm. All are invited to attend.

**Elyssa Kline**, our BVSer is serving in N. Ireland. Christine Kline is placing a card on the back table each week for words of encouragement or just to say "Hello" for Elyssa Kline



Postage for letters to Ireland is \$1.30. She appreciates hearing from you. Write to: Elyssa Kline, c/o incredABLE, 162 Portadown Road, Richhill Co., Armagh BT61 9LJ, NORTHERN IRELAND



**Bowling** started the beginning of January for 12 weeks at 2 pm at Spins Lanes (formerly Bill Whites). Cost is \$9 plus shoes if needed. Call Mark Conner for details. 330-472-7715.

**Disaster Ministries** – We have volunteers planning to travel to South Carolina the week of March 10-16. If you would be available to volunteer with them, please reply to Alan Griffiths at griff2x@sssnet.com. Thank you!

**Flower Calendar** The new flower calendar for 2019 is on the bulletin board. Please take a moment and sign up for altar flowers to honor or remember loved ones.

**Commission Meetings**  
Tuesday, February 12, 7 pm

**Executive Committee Meeting**  
Tuesday, February 12, 7:40 pm



**Deacon Ministry** We welcome new deacons, Ranay Hatherill, and Jean Garcia who was reelected. There was an installation of new deacons January 13 during the worship service.

Deacon Officers for 2019

Chairman. Rita Snyder  
Vice chairman. Jean Garcia  
Sec. Christine Kline  
Care groups. Bev. Sheets, Jean Nesbitt.



**Please be in prayer for Kay Powell** ( Shalom Team, Hartville CoB). Kay had surgery to remove a stone from her right kidney on Jan. 18th. She will have surgery to remove her ovaries and possibly one kidney on Feb. 14th. There is a mass is on one ovary and a cancerous mass on the left kidney. Please pray God's healing, comfort and peace for Kay. Cards may be sent to: 2103 Oakes Drive Ext , Akron, OH 44312

**Directory Updates** With the New Year comes a new edition of the church directory, and another chance for you to have your most up-to-date contact information included.

Please provide any additions, deletions, or changes, and provide those changes to Rebecca Ebie, our church secretary by email or phone as soon as possible. You may also places changes in the secretary's church mail box. Thank you.

**Mark your calendar**

Bible Challenge and our Crockpot Fundraiser will be Sunday, March 24th.

Candy making: youth will be making candy, Saturdays, March 30 and April 6 from 9 am—1 pm. Candy will be sold on Sundays, April 7 and 14th.





# Lent 2019

The area wide Church of the Brethren congregations meet to observe the season of Lent. Refreshments following each service. Services begin at 7 pm Sunday evenings.

Date	Location	Speaker /Pastor	Title/Scripture
March 10	Reading	Jim Lee, E. Nimishillen	Be Holy as is God Lev: 19:1-2, 11-18; Matt; 25:31-46
March 17	Center	Mike Zellers, Freeburg	Prayer Nourishes Us Isaiah 55: 10-11; Matt. 6: 7-15
March 24	Eden	George O'Reilly, Springfield	Trust Fully in God Esther 4:12, 14-16, 23-25; Matt:7: 7-12
March 31	Akron 1st	Paul Bozman, Eastwood	Return to the Lord Ezekiel 18: 21-28, Matt 5: 20-26
April 7	Springfield	Festival of Choirs	Look to Higher Realms Deut 26:16-19, Matt 5:43-48



**Acme Receipts Program** Thank you for your contributions. The money we receive is spent on altar flowers once a month for our shut-ins.

**Camp Inspiration Hills** thanks for your donation of \$170.00 and for your support. Blessings, Shannon Kahler and staff

**Congratulations to Nikki Hornish** who passed her state test and received her license in school counseling.



**Congratulations to Janice Myler** who just landed a great new job.

**Glenn Young** will have knee surgery on Feb. 14th. He is in a great deal of pain and they are trying to get the date moved up.



**Theron Nesbitt** has been transferred to Altercare in Brimfield, Room 303. He has to build up strength in his legs and get more movement in his left arm/hand. Cards can be sent to him at 1463 Tallmadge Rd. , Kent, OH 44240.

**Dustin and Keri Boswell** will be losing the three children they have fostered the past year or so. They will be going to live with their grandmother. Pray for Dustin, Keri and the children.



# Winter Camp

## 2019 Winter Camps Peace Works Inspiration Hills

All new combined winter camp for Grades 3-5 and Grades 6-8, February 8-10, beginning Friday at 7 pm in the dining hall and ending Sunday at 1 pm. Dress for the cold, wet, winter weather. Weekend will be filled with worship, Bible study, team-building, lots of inside and outside activities. Also, lots of hot chocolate, smore's and warm fires.



## Healthy Congregations Workshop

April 12-13 at Maple Grove

Friday: 6:30 pm – 9 pm/

Saturday: 9 am – 4:30 pm

Pre-registration fee by April 2:

\$25 person (manual & lunch) Or

\$35 couple (1 manual and 2 lunches)



For every 4 registrations from one congregation, the 5th one is free. Leadership: Richard Blackburn, Executive Director of Lombard Mennonite Peace Center in Lombard, IL. Experience working as a consultant to conflicted churches.

Register: [www.nohcob.org/healthy](http://www.nohcob.org/healthy).

## Conferences



Annual Conference will be July 3-7 in Greensboro, NC at the Sheraton/Koury Convention Center. Glen Grunder is our delegate to this conference with Mike Conner as our alternate. Theme: Proclaim Christ; Reclaim Passion."

District Conference will be August 2-3 at the Mohican Church of the Brethren in West Salem, OH The moderator will be Doug Price.



**District Meeting**



NOAC: National Older Adult Conference will be September 2-6, 2019 at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina

## SNOW DAYS



What kind of day are you having? Is it a snow day? Are you following a path cleared by your Father, or are you hopping from one footprint to another? Do you think He's far ahead, maybe even around a corner, out of sight?

Are tears and snowflakes stinging your eyes? Or, are you stuck, and just plain need to be picked up and carried? No matter how you're feeling, we have a God who's ready to hear you're cries.

*Dear Lord- I pray that we'd each follow the path you've laid out for us-every day, not just snow-days. I pray that we'd have the courage to follow where ever you lead, and that you'd clear the snow from our paths. Lord- regardless of how things appear- whether you seem near or far, or how deep and cold the snow may be in our lives, help us to know and to trust- that you are carrying us. You, the one who is faithful to save. I love you Lord- Amen.*

And God, hears. He wipes the snowflakes and tears from our lashes, and we can see. He is right there all the time. He picks us up. He carries us. As he always does. Not, just on snow days.

## Sisters' Spring Retreat

April 26-27, 2019

Camp Inspiration Hills, Cost \$15.



## The Spiritual Discipline of Thinking Pastor George O'Reilly



Dedicated disciples of Jesus often engage habits they anticipate will enhance their spiritual vitality. Books on prayer, studies on meditation and such abound. Paul encourages a discipline of thinking.

*Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Philippians 4:8 NRS*

The willingness to evaluate our thought focus can have remarkable effect on our spiritual vitality. We should not imagine we can entertain highly negative thoughts about others, and still expect positive spiritual impact in our own lives. We can easily fall into rehearsing the negative actions of others toward us, the deceptive patterns of our various leaders, and our perceived hurts from our fellow congregants.

Such thoughts can seem justified as being honest expressions of boundary setting or necessary expressions of seeking justice. Both of these kinds of communication — boundary setting and justice seeking — are necessary and can be positive, but both should be contained in particular settings and even in communal patterns. We cannot allow ourselves a debilitating freedom to engage in persistent patterns of negativity toward others or to view our lives as controlled by negative forces around us.

Paul admonishes us all to seek whatever is good — perhaps even at times hidden — among all the negativity in the patterns of modern life. Paul says simply, “Think ...”

Is thinking one of your spiritual disciplines?





## Springfield Church of the Brethren

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*Continuing the work of Jesus.  
Peacefully. Simply. Together.*



### We Invite You

- to join with us in the fellowship of a Christian family.
- to join us in our journey to a deeper faith in our Lord Jesus
- to strive with us to "Live for the Glory of God and our neighbor's good."



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#### Sunday Hours of Worship:

Sunday School, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:30 am