



Springfield Cornerstone

JANUARY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> EVERY SUNDAY 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship </div>					1 Happy New Year! Youth Lock In, 6 pm-8am	2
3 Bread and Cup Communion	4 6 pm Stephen Ministries	5	6 5:30-6:30 pm Family Night 6:30 pm TOPS Mtg.	7 10 am Bible Study 7 pm choir	8	9
10 6:30 pm Youth Meeting	11	12 7 pm Commission Meetings 7:40 Executive Committee meeting	13 5:30-6:30 pm Family Night 6:30 pm TOPS Mtg.	14 10 am Bible Study 7 pm choir	15	16 Pastoral candidate Informal reception 6-8 pm
17 Pastoral candidate to speak with a call vote to follow	18 Recycle Bonus Week 6 pm Stephen Ministries	19 Newsletter Deadline	20 5:30-6:30 pm Family Night 6:30 pm TOPS Mtg.	21 10 am Bible Study 7 pm choir	22	23 9:30 am Youth Service Day
24 6:30 pm Youth Meeting Pastor Kris' last day	25	26	27 5:30-6:30 pm Family Night 6:30 pm TOPS Mtg.	28 7 pm choir	29	30
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Family Night on Wednesday evenings

We are meeting weekly for Family Night this year with a meal serving from 5:30 to 6:30 pm through February. This is a wonderful time of fellowship!

January 6th meal: Pepperoni Pasta, green beans, salad, garlic bread and dessert. Please call Jean Garcia, or Dee Kinsey for more information.



Winter Volleyball League will begin 10 weeks of regular league play starting January 9th through March 12th. We will put teams together with anyone interested. Games times will be 4 pm, 5:15 pm and also 7 pm if we have enough teams. On the chance that there are 5 teams we can get people to stay and play the 7:00 game. Contact Diane Send at 330-312-2201 if interested in playing.

Condolences

Condolences to the family of Geraldine Landenberger who passed away December 12, 2015. Services were held here at Springfield Church of the Brethren.

New Year's Bonus Week
January 18-22, 2016

Save all your gift wrap, holiday cards and gift boxes! Bring to the recycle bin with all of your other paper.
 River Valley Paper Company

Address changes

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Camp Inspiration Hills Winter Camp

Junior Winter Camp (gr. 3-5) Feb. 12-14
 Junior High Winer Camp (gr. 6-8) Feb 19-21

Leadership Shebang Retreats
 (monthly for Sr. Youth)

See registrations and December camp happenings on back table.

Commission Meetings
 Tuesday, January 12th, 7 pm

Executive Committee Meeting
 Tuesday, January 12th 7:40 pm

Acme Community Receipts Program —Place receipts in the tin on the furnace on the entrance level of the church. The money goes to send flowers to shut-ins once a month. Your information is secure.





Thank You

Dear Akron Springfield family, Thank you all so very much for your November self-allocations. We cannot express to you how grateful we are for your continued support of the on-going ministry here at camp. We are excited about the future and working hard to make sure we prepare our hearts and minds to do God's work. Merry Christmas!
In Christ, Inspiration Hills staff

Thank you for coming to visit me at the nursing home. The caroling was really great. Thank you for the fruit basket. Come and visit me again.
Love, Mildred Ebie

I want to thank my Church family for the many cards, family night meals, fruit basket, and the beautiful music from the Christmas carolers. I also appreciate the tapes of the worship services and especially the Candlelight Service which I receive. What a blessing everyone has been in many ways, such as supporting those who are unable to get out often. May God Bless each and everyone of you. Love, Marie Fulks

Thanks to the trustees and donors who made possible the improvements with the new fellowship hall flooring and painting.

Thanks to all who contributed to our Emergency Fund in place of spending money on cards and postage in sending Christmas cards to church friends. Please note that Wayne Biltz's name was inadvertently left off the list in contributing to the Emergency Fund.



Thanks to all of you who donated cookies and helped with the cookie sale. It was a huge success. There were about 20 trays of different kinds of cookies which were sold out about 11 am. The Women's Fellowship made \$742.00 which goes toward the new flooring and a new gas stove for the kitchen. Thanks again. Women's Fellowship.

Thanks to all who bought poinsettias in memory of or in honor of people they want to remember.

Thanks to all who participated in the Candlelight Service, sharing their gift of music with our church.

Thanks to all the children who participated in the Christmas Program, to those who got them to and from practice and to the adult, youth and junior youth workers who helped make this program a beautiful addition to our Christmas season!

Thanks to all who contributed items for the children we sponsored this year through Springfield Cares.



Pastoral Candidate and family
Alan and Sally Brumbaugh

Meet and Greet Informal Reception
January 16, 2016 from 6-8 pm



Church Fellowship
Hall
Please bring finger
foods to share



Pastoral Candidate,
Alan Brumbaugh

Will preach Sunday, January 17th at the
10:30 am service

John Ballinger, District Executive, will convene a congregational business meeting for the church to ask questions of Alan and Sally and prayerfully consider calling Alan as the next pastor of our church.

A call vote for church members present will follow.

Secretary's Corner

Please let Beckie know if she can be of assistance to you, if you have any items for the Newsletter, or if there are any changes in addresses, email, and/or telephone numbers. . Thanks! (330) 628-3058 or email: springfieldcob@sbcglobal.net

Upper Room Devotional

Are you looking for a daily devotional? Every other month a new copy of the Upper Room publication is available to you, free! Copies are beside the main entrance, and there are large print copies too. The January-February issues are out. Help yourself!

Pastor Gifts

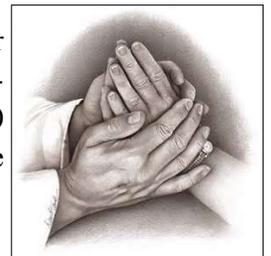
Thank you for generous Christmas gift I received from the congregation. It has been wonderful being part of such a caring church family. Love in Christ,
Pastor Kris



Prayer Concerns

If you have a prayer concern that you would like shared through the prayer chain, please contact Pat Mills at pajimi@aol.com or 330-733-9199.

You can also call/email/text Pastor Kris or call Betty Feller. During office hours, (Tues, Thurs, Fri, 9:30 am—2 pm), you may also call the church office.





December 30, 2015

Springfield Church of the Brethren
3500 Albrecht Ave.
Akron, OH 44312

Members and Friends of Springfield Church:

I am writing on behalf of the Springfield Pastoral Search Committee to announce that after reviewing numerous profiles and conducting several interviews, the committee recommends Alan Brumbaugh of Everett, PA as candidate for the pastoral position at Springfield Church.

Alan's spiritual journey began at the Raven Run Church of the Brethren, the church he attended as a child. Raven Run licensed him to the ministry in 1994. His journey continued at the Bellwood Church of the Brethren where he was ordained in 1998. He completed the denomination's Three Year Reading Course in 1997, and is currently serving as a pastor in the Middle Pennsylvania District of the denomination.

Alan married Sally, his high school sweetheart, in 1984. They are blessed with two married children, Rebecca and Aaron. Rebecca and her husband Ryan live in Pennsylvania while Aaron lives with his wife, also named Rebecca, in Maryland.

Members, friends and their families are invited to meet Alan and Sally at an informal reception on Saturday, January 16, 2016 from 6 until 8 p.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall. Please bring finger foods to share.

Alan will preach on Sunday, January 17 at the 10: 30 a.m. worship service. Following the worship service, District Executive John Ballinger will convene a congregational business meeting for the church to ask questions of Alan and Sally and to prayerfully consider calling Alan as the next pastor of our church. While members and friends are invited to attend the reception, worship service and business meeting, church members present will participate in the call vote.

The Pastoral Search Committee members enthusiastically recommend Alan to you for your consideration. They encourage you to plan on attending the Saturday evening reception and Sunday morning worship service and business meeting, and they invite you to be in prayer for our church and for the Brumbaugh family.

Sincerely,

Jill Smith

Chair, Springfield Church of the Brethren Pastoral Search Committee



December 26, 2015

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As you know, our church has been going through a time of transition over these past two years. These transitional times are coming to an end with the Search Committee's announcement that they have entered into negotiations with a pastoral candidate.

As we transition to a full-time pastorate, it is clear that Springfield is a congregation that no longer requires a second pastoral staff member. Pastoral ministry needs can now be met by one person.

So after much time spent in prayer and reflection, I am resigning as Pastor of Visitation. My last day at Springfield will be Sunday, January 24, 2016.

This has been a difficult decision. My time of ministry here has been a blessing and a joy (and sometimes a challenge!). It has been such a privilege to be part of this congregation for 37 years and to serve as Pastor of Visitation for the last 12 years. Thank you for allowing me this opportunity for ministry, helping me grow, and supporting me with your love.

God is so good – working in all things! I recently received a call from the Executive Committee of our District, as they worked on their own transitional plan after the resignation of our District Executive (DE). They unanimously called me to serve as Interim DE for the Northern Ohio District. This was not a position for which I applied, or even thought about. However, as they explained their goals for the interim, it became increasingly clear that God works in amazing ways! I have accepted this call and will begin serving in February.

Please know that I will continue to keep **each** of you in prayer with love, as well as **all** of you together as part of God's kingdom. These are exciting times for Springfield. A new pastor will be coming. There is strong leadership within the Church Board and the Deacons. Our Stephen Ministers are actively caring for people within our congregation and community. I am excited to see what God has planned for this congregation.

Blessings in Christ,

Pastor Kris

Note: Church of the Brethren policy requires that when a pastor resigns from a church, the departing pastor does not participate in the life of that church for at least 2 years. This is an established policy that allows the congregation to transition to new leadership.



DIRECTORY UPDATE



Church Directory

We are working on the 2016 directory and hope to publish it in the next several weeks.

We need your help to make sure all our information is correct.

If there are no changes to your information in the directory, you do not need to do anything.

If there are any changes, please list them on the form below and put it in the offering plate by **January 10**. You may also make the changes in the directory on the back table or call them to the church office. **Thank you!**

DIRECTORY UPDATE FORM

Name _____

Please change the following information

Address

Phone Number

Email address

PRAYER CHAIN UPDATE

Prayer needs are communicated to our congregation through sharing time in worship, by phone, and by e-mail. In order to make sure we are communicating in the way that works best for you, we are asking for updated information.

If you are currently on the telephone or email prayer chain list and have no changes, you do not need to do anything. If you would like to be added or removed from one of these lists, or need to change your phone number or email address, please complete the form below and put it in the offering plate by **January 10th**. **Thank you!**

PRAYER CHAIN FORM

Name _____

TELEPHONE Prayer Chain

(You will receive prayer information by a phone call and be asked to phone that information on to another.)

Please add my number to the phone list

Phone number(330)_____

Please remove my name from the phone list

E-MAIL Prayer Chain.

Please add me to the e-mail list

E-mail address _____

Please remove this address from the E-Mail list

E-mail address _____



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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."



Interim Pastor: Tom Michaels
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Church Custodian: Carrie Dasco

**Sunday Hours
of Worship:**
Sunday School, 9:30 am
Worship, 10:30 am