

Springfield Cornerstone

JULY, 2019

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

	1	2 6 pm Bible Study	3 Annual Conference, Greensboro NC	4 Annual Conference 4th of July 	5 Annual Conference	6 Annual Conference
7 Annual Conference 2 Cent Meal Bread & Cup Communion Junior Camp	8	9 6 pm Bible Study No church meetings this month	10	11	12	13
14 Ice Cream Social, 6 pm Girlz Only Camp	15	16 6 pm Bible Study	17	18 Mom and Me Camp #2	19 Grand Camp #2 19 Family Camp	20
21 Softball	22	23 6 pm Bible Study Junior Camp Light 23 Beginners Camp #2	24	25	26	27
28 Softball	29	30	31	MISSION STATEMENT: “Following Jesus for the glory of God and our neighbors good”		



The 2019 Flower Calendar is on back bulletin board; sign up for altar flowers. \$20



Card and donations for Elyssa To help Elyssa with expenses as she serves in Ireland working as a BVS volunteer, there is a box with her name on it on the back table for those interested in donating cash/coins for her.

Tuesday Night Bible Study at the church continues and anyone is welcome to join us at 6-7PM. We are doing individual devotional-type studying of the Bible for the summer We will pick back up with our book, 'Fatal Distractions,' in the Fall.



Bible Study

Choir Practice – The choir is taking a recess over the summer months.

The deacon Ice Cream Social will be Sunday, July 14th at 6 pm. Make plans to come and share in fellowship!

Commissions and the Executive Committee Meeting will not be meeting in July.

Christian Education committee is looking for Sunday school teachers and nursery workers.

Interested in leading a Sunday school class for people ages 18-30? Contact Christian Education.

Volunteers needed to be worship leaders and children's storytellers. Contact Becky Kline. Thanks.

Summer Music Summer Music --- We are looking for people to share their musical talents for summer music. If you would like to sing or play an instrument please contact Sam Courie or another person on the Music and Worship Commission.



Church Softball The Church Softball League is playing with the season running into August. Games times are 2 pm and 3:45 pm. Players and spectators are welcome! For information, call Diane Send - 330-312-2201



An update from the Pastoral Search Committee:

We continue to meet and preview all profiles available. As of this date, we have not found a candidate whom we feel is the person called as our pastor. We will continue to search for the person that God is calling to be our next pastor. Please continue to pray for the search committee and for God's guidance and will. Thank you.

The Brethren Kids Closet Witness Commission and Christian Ed. are taking on a new project. It is called "The Brethren Kids Closet." We are collecting new or gently used children's clothing to offer to children as they go back to school. We hope to have this up and ready by the Back to School Blast.

If you or anyone you know can help by donating kids clothes sizes 6 to 16 (or teenage sizes), we will be collecting clothes on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 - 12:00 until BTSB. Then we will collect clothes on the first Tuesday of each month from 10:00-12:00. We will also pick up donations. Just call Becky Burtoft 330-819-3392 to arrange pickup. We will also need hangers and plastic grocery bags.

If you would like to donate money to buy new socks and underwear, put the donation in a pew envelope and mark it as Brethren Kids Closet. There is definitely a need for this community outreach.





Theron Nesbitt is in Brookdale Senior Living, 487 Austin Dr., Room 141, Barberton, OH 44203.

Congratulations to our graduates: Nikki Conner Hornish from Malone College with a Master’s Degree in counseling, Ashley Dombeck with a nursing degree from Valparaiso University, Meghan Davis from Springfield High and Kyle Stockwell from high school.

Baby dedication On June 16th we dedicated Hallie Anne Hornish to the Lord. She is the daughter of Cory and Nikki Hornish. She was born May 22, 2019.

Deacon Policy on Helping People

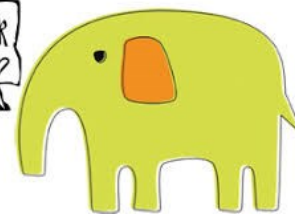
People who are in the hospital or sick should call Pastor George, their deacon or a deacon-on call. The deacons-on call for the month will be responsible for arranging help as needed, such as meals, driving to appointments, home care, etc. They will discern what is needed and then contact people to provide help.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- July 3-7 Annual Conference, N. Carolina
- July 7 Bread and Cup Communion
- July 14 Deacon’s Ice Cream Social
- Aug 2-3 District Conference, Mohican CoB
- August 4 Back to School Blast
- August 25 Teacher Recognition Day
- August 25 Church Picnic
- September 14 District Chicken BBQ
- September 29 Church Hayride
- October 6 Love Feast
- October 13 Mum Sunday



Thanks from **Manchester University** for our gift of \$125.00 going to The Manchester Fund. Melanie Harmon, VP for Advancement.



Thank you from camp: Dear Springfield Church. We want to thank you for your donation of #170.00. What a blessing you are to us! Thank you. Shannon Kahler and Staff.

MaryAnn Ludwick thanks everyone for the cards, food, calls, visits, and prayers given to her during her recent illness. She is continuing to gain strength and healing.

Thank You from Elaine Jackson for the many cards and prayers from all of you. Card on bulletin board.

Thanks to Janice Myler for supplying special music for several Sundays in June.

Thanks from the Global Food Initiative for our contributions from our “2 Cents” offering sent in October totaling \$801.71. Jeff Boshart the Initiative Manager says that our faithfulness as a congregation is what helps them in their work. He prays that we are not tiring of doing good for the sake of those in need.



Thank you Pastor George!!

June 30 will be the last day Pastor George is with Springfield as an interim pastor. We are recognizing him with a covered dish dinner after church on June 30. We thank Pastor George for his faithful service and wish him well on his next journey in his life. Cindy Peel has agreed to be our interim pastor beginning in July.



NOAC: National Older Adult Conference

September 2-6, 2019
Lake Junaluska,



Annual Conference



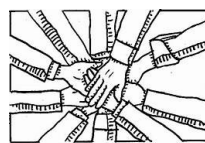
Annual Conference will be July 3-7 in Greensboro, NC at the Sheraton/Koury Convention Center. Glen Grunder is our delegate to this conference with Mike Conner as our alternate. Theme: Proclaim Christ; Reclaim Passion.”

Witness to the Host City The Annual Conference will again be partnering with Backpack Beginnings in Greensboro for our Witness to the Host City. The mission of Backpack Beginnings is to provide children in need with nutritious food, comfort items, and basic necessities. See the June Newsletter or bulletin board for a list of items they are asking for.

Compelling Vision Report

The Compelling Vision Process Team has published a report on the district conversations of the past year, to share with the denomination in advance of compelling vision conversations planned for Annual Conference. The report is titled, “Unfolding Journey: A Report on the District Conversations.” Find this and other information about the compelling vision process, www.brethren.org/compellingvision. You can find a copy on the bulletin board

District Forgiveness On the next to last page in *The Herald* is an article about the District Board choosing forgiveness, passing a motion to forgive Kris Bair the debt she owed the district. (In 2014 she was sentenced for embezzling \$400,000 from the N. Ohio District.) The district has been receiving payments on this debt bringing the amount down to \$372,000. The article states “The district has come a long way in this healing process from this deep wound and the next step is forgiveness. God through Jesus modeled this kind of forgiveness and in gratitude for all that has been forgiven us, we choose to forgive. It is our prayer that God’s grace and love be known as we seek to live faithfully as followers of Jesus.”



District Meeting

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

Grocery Bag Ministry at District Conference - District Conference will be held at Mohican Church of the Brethren and they are requesting donations of cereal, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, pasta sauce and canned vegetables for their ministry. If you would like to donate, there will be a container at the back table and the items will be delivered to Mohican on August 2. Thank you!

District Conference Silent Auction for the Peace Endowment Fund—Reminder to bring handmade items and goodies for the auction and to come prepared to bid on the donated items in the auction. Items are due to the Exhibit area by Fri. Aug. 2 by 5 pm. The Peace Task Team raises money to support peace education efforts in the District. As one of the Historic Peace Churches, we are committed to teaching Christ’s message of peace.

Springfield was awarded \$5,000 from the district Hottle Fund to go towards a new sound system. A letter requesting funds from this fund was submitted at the District Executive meeting this past Winter.



Inspiration Hills Camp
4819 W. Easton Rd.,
Burbank, OH 44213
(419) 846-3010

www.inspirationhillscamp.org

Junior Camp—July 7-12
Mom and Me Camp—July 18-19
Grand Camp #2—July 19-21
Junior Camp Light—July 23-26
Beginners Camp 2.0—July 23-26
Family Camp — Friday, July 19-21
Chicken BBQ — September 14, 9-3 pm; Family activities at camp 9/13 beginning 6 pm.



Saying Goodbye –Pastor George

As we complete time in ministry together as I am finishing my term as Interim Pastor here at Springfield, I wish to express my deep gratitude for the warm welcome and the persistently positive responses to my work here. This has been a delightful fellowship for me over the 10 months of my time. I wish to affirm the readiness of folks to engage me, along with various periodic visitors, and indeed even simply one another. Warmth and welcome do go a long way toward making a congregation a helpful place to worship and fellowship.

The people of Springfield exhibit strong faith, deep convictions, and strong connection with one another. Ready concern for the challenges of one another is quite evident, along with a readiness to provide help to others when it is needed. While each of us no doubt had somewhat different expectations as we entered our time together much has gone well. We have fulfilled to a large extent, the purposes for our time together. The call to me in coming was to provide some sense of stability and predictability. I would never have been able to do this simply on my own. Numerous folk have persistently sacrificed time and given energy to do their part in helping Springfield function in a healthy and helpful way. Because my role here has often been more visible, some might easily conclude that this period of health has been mostly about my presence. I feel compelled to challenge any such perception.

My own involvements here have been limited in scope and time. I have had areas of responsibility which I have tried to fulfill reasonably. But much of what has happened here has occurred quite outside my efforts. Lest someone think this is some sort of false humility, I would suggest that this is the way a healthy body always functions. Each part does its part in bringing the most complete life to the entire body. We should each be certain to consider all who have worked at various responsibilities over this time—especially those who have so often worked behind the scenes.

So now we come to another transition. We do well to remember that things were uncertain 11 or so months ago for both Springfield and for myself. God guided us together, through efforts from Conference staff and church leaders, yes, but as extension of the Spirit's leading in the body and community. This I would say has been both an enjoyable partnership, and in numerous ways a productive one. As this new time of transition is encountered we do well to give thanks for how we were able to depend on God's work in and through His people and this fellowship to make our good results possible.

So in closing, I encourage us all to move with confident expectation and hope into the future before us. Remember again how much has gone well, and remind one another that God will lead toward good things in the future. Thank you all so much for all you have done. May the Spirit truly guide and bless as you look for what the Spirit will bring in days ahead.

In Christ, Pastor George





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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