

**September 24, 2017**

Attendance: 66  
Church Fund: \$2382.20  
Missions Fund: \$179.30  
Roof: \$100.00  
Total Offering: \$2661.50  
All Creatures: \$100.00

**Pastoral Staff:**

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**October 1, 2017**

Prelude	
Welcome	Tom Turley
Congregational Singing	The Music Team
Offering	
Children's Worship	Christina Okamoto
Scripture	Psalm 4
Sermon	Pastor Jim Schwenk "Joy would be a Great Name for a Bulldog"
Song of Response	The Music Team
Sharing Time	
Closing Song	The Music Team
Benediction	

For church openings in October, please contact  
**Jerry Layton: 610-216-2796**

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Monday, Oct 2	Trustees Meeting	7 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct 3	Sewing Circle	9 a.m.
Wednesday, Oct 4	Elders Meeting	7 p.m.

Church Retreat: October 20-22 at Camp Hebron

Pastor's office hours: Mon – Thur: 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Church Office hours: Wed & Fri: 7 a.m. – 9 a.m.

Bulletin deadline this week is Friday @ 8 am

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### October 8, 2017

Worship Leader: Doreen Miller  
Music: Tom Turley  
Children's Worship: Christina Okamoto  
Scripture: Mark 4:13-20, Hebrews 4:12-16  
Speaker: Pastor Jim Schwenk  
Sermon: "The Dangerous Distribution of the  
Dangerous Word"  
Sound: Jay Hershey

## Announcements

Barb Turley and the children will be filling MCC hygiene kit bags at our Camp Hebron retreat. Some items have already been purchased but we could use more of the following:

- Finger nail clippers (leave in package)
- Individual adult tooth brushes (leave in package)
- Medium or dark colored hand towel

These items may be placed in the church library or the box outside the sanctuary. Thank you for helping those in need. Ruth Runion-Slear

Camp Hebron Retreat: REGISTRATION IS DUE TODAY

The Senior Breakfast for Lebanon District Mennonite churches will be Saturday October 28 at 8:30 a.m. at Country Fare in Myerstown. We welcome everyone age 55+. Come and bring a friend for good food, fellowship and inspiration! Mark your calendars and contact Elaine Freed (717-679-0070) by Oct 22 to reserve your seat.

There will be no prayer meeting this Thursday October 5

### Opportunity for Spiritual Growth through Spiritual Direction

I am presently in a two-year spiritual director-training program. The role of a spiritual director is to assist persons in developing and enriching their personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Being a spiritual director is different than being a mentor or spiritual counselor since the focus is not on problem solving or instruction but on one's connection with God. The spiritual director **assumes** God is already active in the life of the directee. Through prayerful attention, listening, and watching, the director helps the directee become aware of God's presence and action in their life and helps them to embrace it. A spiritual director seeks to facilitate, support and encourage the directee's relationship with God, since God is the true Spiritual Director. *God* is the one who imparts wisdom, comfort, peace, and guidance.

As part of my training over the next two years, I need to meet regularly with two directees. Since I am a student, there would be no charge for this spiritual direction. If you, or someone you know, would be interested in exploring this tool for spiritual growth, please contact me here at church, or by email at: myron.miller.56@gmail.com, or by phone: 717-228-5262. Thank you, Myron Miller