

Week of March 10, 2019

Sunday, March 10

9:00 a.m. Worship
Lead Pastor Joe Hackman will preach on Luke 4:1-13; *The Three Hardest Words*

10:15 a.m. The Second Hour for all ages.

A sermon discussion class led by Sheldon Good will be held in the Meeting Room Behind the Welcome Center

Connections Class will meet in the Gathering Room with Scott Benner interviewing Cindy Moyer.

For Your Prayers List

- **Kass Landis**, Souderton Mennonite Homes
- **Lorraine Landis**, Souderton Mennonite Homes

Sunday, March 3

Offering
\$10,139
ACH Electronic
Offering
\$5,485
Kiosk Offering
\$2,042
**Total Offering
\$17,666**

Future Salford Events

- March 23 - MYF

March 23, 2019 Youth Fundraiser Meal and Auction

The Salford Youth Auction will take place on March 23rd and we could still use more items to sell. If you have an idea for a donation, please contact Maria at hoslerbylerm@salfordmc.org or fill out the yellow sheet at the welcome center. If you would like to donate something but aren't sure what, Maria would be happy to help you think through it.

THEN join us March 23rd for the auction: dinner, root beer floats, auctioned items, supporting the youth! childcare is provided.

This Week at Salford

Tuesday, March 12

7:00 p.m. Child Care Ministry Team Meeting (Friendship Room)

7:00 p.m. Library Ministry Team Meeting (Library)

Wednesday, March 13

6:30 a.m. Kid's Club (Gathering Room)

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

Sunday, March 17

9:00 a.m. Worship

Preaching: Dale Detweiler

10:15 a.m. Second Hour for All Ages

Our Church Family

Prayer Concerns

- For **Glenn Martin** as he recovers from quadruple bypass surgery
- For **Roma Ruth** as she recovers from successful hiatal hernia surgery
- For strength for **Glenn Frederick** in his journey with ALS

Anniversary Blessings...

to **Don & Jean Detweiler**, who celebrate their 61st wedding anniversary on March 15th.

Service & Mission

Donation of the Month for March – Canned tuna and meals in a can, spaghetti, ravioli, beefaroni, stew and chili for the food pantry at Keystone Opportunity Center in Souderton.

Place items at the collection table by the Infant/Toddler Nursery.

Michael J. (MJ) Sharp, a 2005 graduate of EMU, dedicated his life to the pursuit of peace and justice in the world, especially in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) - a place he called "paradise, the most beautiful place on earth." In 2017, he and his colleague, Zaida Catalan, were ambushed and murdered on a peacekeeping mission with the United Nations in the DRC.

Youth Auction & Fellowship Meal

- April 6 - Enneagram Training Sessions with Joe & Angela Hackman
- April 28 – Dock Mennonite Academy Touring Choir Visit
- May 5 – Spring Communion

If you have information or prayer requests for our newsletter, please submit this to the church office by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon.

If you would like to receive this newsletter by email, please submit your email address to alderferb@salfordmc.org

On the second anniversary of his death, 11 hikers (including MJ's father, John) plan to spread his ashes at the top of Kilimanjaro. They climb not only to fulfill MJ's dream of reaching the top, but to bring awareness of the need for peaceable intervention in the DRC, and to raise funds for **the Michael J. Sharp Peace & Justice Endowed Scholarship** at EMU's Center for Justice & Peacebuilding. This scholarship is designed for citizens of the DRC to study the conflict transformation, restorative justice, and peacebuilding skills needed bring lasting change to the Congo, thus carrying on MJ's legacy long after his death.

You can help! A gift of any size can be sent to EMU at 1200 Park Rd, Harrisonburg, VA 22802 or online at emu.edu/dream-hike. Pledge forms are also available. If you have questions on how best to give a gift, please don't hesitate to call 800-368-3383 and ask for Braydon Hoover.

News & Notes

Many hopeful stories were submitted again this year to the **Write the Good Future contest**. The contest saw a 55% increase in total entries and strong participation by middle school students, whose entries increased by 120%. Judges are now receiving their stories and will gather for an evening of judging in early April. Thank you, Salford, for sponsoring this contest and encouraging young and old to dream of a good future where humans are caring for the earth. – **Maribeth Benner**

To our prayer shawl and baby blankets knitters: We have relocated the yarn to the shelves in the prayer shawl closet across from the Prayer Room, located on the second floor above the main foyer.

Bring your family and friends to enjoy a meal and bid on items at the **Salford Youth Auction on March 23!** The auction supports Salford youth curriculum, trips, and activities throughout the year. Dinner is 4:15-5:30 and the auction begins at 6pm. Childcare is provided.

Want to donate an item to the Salford Youth Auction on March 23? Fill out the yellow form at the welcome center or email Pastor Maria at hoslerbylerm@salfordmc.org. If you want to donate a meal or experience certificate, you can fill out this form <https://goo.gl/forms/bkvAxNpNdfViqMTS2> by March 10th.

We are offering **valet parking service** for those who need it in January, February and March. Jay Ruth will be our valet parking person for March 10th. Look for him under the carport when you arrive if you would like your car parked for you.

Inclement Weather: If it would be necessary for Salford to cancel scheduled church services, we will announce any cancellation or change of service time by 7:15 a.m. on our website, by email, and on our phone message. Please contact Church Administrator Brad Alderfer at (215) 272-6724 if there are any questions on church service cancellation or change of start time. **Cancellations will no longer be announced on the radio or television.**

Mennonite Church USA News

Join the Peace Church Planting webinar where church planters will share from their experience, and Mennonite Mission Network staff will introduce The Sent Network, a new online platform to support church planters. The webinar will take place on **Wednesday, March 13, 6-7:15 p.m. EDT/ 5-6:15 p.m. Central /3-4:15 p.m. Pacific**, and all are invited to attend. Visit mennoniteusa.org/churchplanting to register.

Be one of the first 2,000 people to register for MennoCon19 and receive a new Voices Together hymnal when it's available. Registration is open now at convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration!

Youth and Young Adult News

Seven youth will be participating in an **Exploring Baptism** group in January and February to talk about baptism and discern whether they want to be baptized. If adults are interested in baptism or membership, please contact the Pastoral team. We are working towards an adult class for the fall.

Any youth and families can notify Pastor Maria about activities to include in the Spotlight!

Beyond Salford

You are invited to the [Perkasie Patchwork Coffeehouse](#) on March 16, as they welcome [Seamus Kelleher](#), with edge-of-your-seat virtuoso playing, comedy, storytelling, and a brilliant collection of original and unique material. Opening the evening is Lynn and Tony Hughes, a little folk, a little country and a lot of Celtic. Doors open at 7:00 pm with performances at 7:30. Visit [PerkMenno.net](#) to learn more.

All are invited to **Blooming Glen Mennonite Church** on Friday, March 22 for a **Spaghetti Supper Youth Group fundraiser** (5:30-7:00 pm in the fellowship hall) followed by a 7:30 pm **choral concert** by the Juniata College Touring Choir. Free will donations at the supper fundraiser benefit MCC SWAP, and donations at the concert will help with the choir's expenses. Questions? Contact Pastor Mike Ford at mike@bgmc.net.

Frederick Living will hold a **volunteer open house** Thursday, March 28, 3:30 to 5:00 pm in the Magnolia East Lounge. Learn about their current special event, committee, group and individual community volunteer opportunities! RSVP by March 25 to brady@frederickliving.org or 610-754-7878 ext 353.

Souderton Mennonite Church is hosting its annual **Community Easter Celebration** on Saturday, April 13 from 10:00 to 11:00 am. Fun, holiday-themed activities for children age 3 through fifth grade include an egg hunt with lots of prizes, crafts, games, free professional photos with the Easter Bunny and snacks. This is a free community event – no registration required – open to all and held rain or shine. For more information, visit www.soudertonmennonite.org or call 215-723-3088.