Menno Bulletín Weekly Bulletin Announcements for March 6, 2016

Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

Mar. 9 - Worship Team - 7:00 pm.
Mar. 17 - Elder Team - 6:30 pm.
Mar. 18-19 - LMC - Celebration of Church Life - to be held at Lancaster Mennonite School.
Mar. 24 - Save the date... Maundy Thursday Service - 6:00 pm.
April 4 - Volunteer work at MCC Material Resource Center - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.

Sunday, March 6MessageWorship TeamGreetersMim Eberly and Esther Mast

<u>Sunday, March 13</u> Brett Troyer from MDS John/Mim/Nathan Buckwalter

~<u>Encouragement Link for Week of February 28- March 5</u> (continued to March 12)

Micah Boyer – Rose/Chris KennelMaria Swartley – Gladys/John LandisSarah Hoffer – Lisa/Craig KachelBecca Swartley – Jan/Dean MastAllison Kachel – Velma MagillLeslie Wang – Tricia/John Soltzfus

~Hey, I just wanted to thank you guys so much for the care package. Some of those things may seem little or just snacks, but they really come in handy in college when you're up late studying, writing a paper etc. Thanks to the youth group/family night that sent them to all of us and I'm truly blessed for an amazing church family. You are all in my prayers and I ask that you keep the community of Hesston in your prayers as well. As you've probably heard in the news it's been a rough week here (since Feb. 25), and the college is currently very solemn and still in the mourning stage. Please pray for healing and progress for the community as a whole as we move on and mourn the loved ones that we lost at the Excel factory only a half mile from our campus. Also many of the students here are volunteers with EMS and they were some of the first responders to the shooting. Many of them are very troubled and questioning things about their faith. It's hard to give them guidance but most importantly to just be there with open arms and help as a friend in any way possible. Blessings, Micah Boyer

~Coins add up. Each year spare change collected by churches, children, and families add up to more than \$600,000 for MCC's work around the world. At WH we began collecting coins on Feb. 28 during the morning offering and will continue for the remainder of Lent. **See Becca Swartley if you are interested in matching funds**. The **My Coins Count Campaign** will help support clean water, nutritious food, and educational initiatives around the world. (Feb 28 - \$83.34 = \$166.68)

~CVCCS FOOD BANK donations from our church in Jan./Feb. totaled 92 lbs. Thank you for your continued support. Items needed: oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, canned fruit and bar soap. See March Newsletter on bulletin board at church.

~Next Connections - Tuesday, March 8, (9:00 – 11:00 a.m.) Joanne Kuniholm will speak on: "Untangling our Family Rules." Many of us have been raised with powerful family messages, many healthy and some unhealthy. We'll take a look at these messages about communication, affection, discipline (and more), and how they impact relationships with our children, spouses and close friends.

~Lancaster's Beyond Ourselves Chamber Ensemble, Lancaster Mennonite School's Campus Chorale and Sopa Sol presented a benefit concert at James Street Mennonite Church, last Sunday, February. 28. The entire freewill offering (totaling \$8,217) will benefit a Mennonite Central Committee program in Nepal that provides scholarships for marginalized young people to receive training in practical skills.

~Want to Make a Difference in Someone's Life?

You just might be the person God has in mind to influence someone that needs your guidance. **CV Homes of Hope** is looking for volunteers that would like to mentor families or serve as budget coaches.

Families experiencing homelessness need encouragement and hope for the future. Volunteers have the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of these families. Training is provided for both mentors and budget coaches. After training you will be contacted to see if you are available to work with a family. During that time you meet weekly or biweekly (depends on the family) for 4-6 months until the family completes their time in the CV Homes of Hope. Then you can take a break or continue with a new family.

Mentor Training is on Friday, April 22 from 8AM – 4PM at Ephrata Community Church Budget Coach Training is on Friday, May 6 from 8AM – 4PM at Grace Church, Lititz, PA Cost for training for CV Homes of Hope volunteers is covered by the CVHOH Board. Contact Sue Orth if you are interested in this ministry.<u>sueo@zionleola.org</u> or 717-656-9200