

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*\*If you have heard the call of God and are interested in learning more about being a follower of Jesus, considering baptism, or desire to become a member of this church family, talk to Pastor Scott.*

*\*If you are a Guest or a First-time Worship Visitor, make sure you find your way to our Welcome Table in the narthex. It has special information just for you.*

### Expressions of Thanksgiving

*....Thank you so much for your generous gift to our homeless shelter! This helps us greatly. God Bless Each of You! ❤️ Susan, Susan Richardson, Executive Director, Valley Mission*

**\*\* Update to your calendar--The Nurture Commission will meet Monday, Feb. 11th instead of the 4th.**

**It's time to show your interest in the Mexico Mission Trip for this summer.** We don't have a full team interested yet, so think about joining this trip to Tijuana, Mexico, with Bittersweet Ministries, June 10-15. There is a meeting **TODAY** after Worship to begin fundraising plans.



**Join us on Wednesday, February 6, for Dinner at 5:30**, provided by the Faith and Film Class, followed by an informal worship time, and a special activity. Do you know anything about birds? Do you see different ones this time of year than in the summer time? Where do birds go when it's cold? Come and learn about birds from our special guest. SIGN UP for dinner in advance and come join the intergenerational fellowship.

**Attention Ladies of the Church:** Please join members of the Mary Martha Circle on Tuesday, February 12 at 9:30 to clean our kitchen and adjoining areas. Bring any cleaning products you would like to use. Who doesn't like a clean kitchen, so join us on the 12th.



**Join our Seniors at Noon for lunch on Wednesday, February 13 in the Fellowship Hall.** The flutes from the Stonewall Brigade Band will be here!

**Happy Home Flavorings** The Mary Martha Circle is selling assorted Happy Home Flavorings of Vanilla, Lemon, Coconut, Butter, Butter Nut, and Almond. This is an excellent product at a great value of \$3. See Debbie Landes.

**Strawberries are coming in March!** But first, we have to take orders for this great fundraiser for our church. Order forms are available today at church. Please pick up one of the red order forms (which include instructions) and make sure that you return it to the church office or Sally Shomo by February 11th. Strawberries will arrive the week of March 11th. More information to follow. See Sally Shomo if you have any questions.





## All Church Valentines Lunch – Heats and Sweets –

Bring a pot of soup or chili, or a special Valentines dessert, and we will fellowship together on Sunday, February 17, after Worship. All are welcome!



**Do you like to create or make theme baskets?** Camp Brethren Woods is looking for donations of hand-made goods & baskets for their Spring Festival on April 28th. If you are interested in helping support our summer church camp in this way, please talk to Emily Edwards.

**COOKBOOKS!** are available for \$10, with net proceeds going toward the Capital Expenditure Fund. See a member of the Rebecca Circle.



**February 9 is the date for this year's Staunton NAACP Prayer Breakfast – Let Pastor Scott know TODAY for tickets at \$25.** Held at St. Paul's United Methodist Church on the bypass – 9 AM. If we have 8 persons we can have a Brethren table.

**The Valley Wind Ensemble, the Shenandoah Valley's premier Concert Band,** will present its inaugural concert of the 2019 season on February 11 at 7:00 in the auditorium at Spotswood High School.

**Church Women United of Staunton/Augusta** invites you to world day of prayer, Friday, March 1, 2019 Central United Methodist Church. Registration and refreshments at 9:30 am, program at 10:00 am. Join in prayer with women around the world. All are welcome. Questions call: 885-3973

**“Is God in your Will?”**

**Remember your church in your estate planning.**

**March Ushers:** Raymond Curry, Margaret Curry, Carrie Washington, Chris Washington, Zachary Curry **March Counters:** Sue Simmons, Nancy Bowman

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**Church Website: [www.stauntonbrethren.org](http://www.stauntonbrethren.org)**

Go to Staunton Church of the Brethren on Facebook and “Like”.

**Free Bible** for anyone who needs one – Ask an Usher; Plus...

**CDs of each Sunday Worship** on the table in the narthex;

**CD players** to borrow to listen to Worship CDs;

**Church Newsletters** for the month on the wall rack in the lobby;

**A Facebook** page (“Like” us);

**A Webpage** – [www.stauntonbrethren.org](http://www.stauntonbrethren.org) – read sermons, etc.

Check the **Bulletin Boards** for more information

# **What is your vision for the church? Where do we go from here? Join the conversations!**

The Shenandoah District continues to host a series of sessions to participate in and help shape the Compelling Vision being formulated for the Church of the Brethren. The Rev. Kevin Daggett, a member of the Compelling Vision Process Team, is leading the sessions. All are on Sunday afternoons, 3-5 p.m.

Choose a conveniently-located session that fits your schedule:

- ◆ Feb. 3: Cedar Grove (616 Cedar Grove Road, Ruckersville)
- ◆ Feb. 17: Bridgewater Retirement Community's multi-purpose room on the third floor of the Huffman Healthcare Center (302 N. Second Street, Bridgewater)
- ◆ Feb. 24: New Hope (12768 Frost Road, Dunmore, W.Va.)

The denomination's web site ([www.brethren.org](http://www.brethren.org)) explains the importance of these meetings being held across the brotherhood:

“We are committed to engaging as many people as possible in the process, providing opportunities for individuals to give voice to their passions and concerns, listen to one another, and work together to identify common threads and themes that might point to a shared and compelling vision. “As we embark on this journey together, it is our prayer that: our relationships with one another will be strengthened and deepened, transcending points of disagreement; we will be able to celebrate the ongoing presence and activity of God’s Spirit at work among us; we will be open to what God is calling us to do together as Christ’s disciples; the vision ultimately articulated will lay claim to our hearts and our minds, our imaginations and our spirits, shaping our identity and inspiring our ministry at the congregational level, the district level, and the denominational level; and we will wholeheartedly embrace the challenge set before us by that vision, affirming contextual creativity as we actively seek to embody that vision.”