

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TODAY we join the District Conference worship "I Am Making All Things New."**

### **Expression of Thanksgiving...**

I would like to thank stitch and chat for the warm and colorful prayer shawl. It has really brought me warmth and comfort especially when I am having the leg and knee pain with the arthritis. The shawl is perfect also as a leg warmer. Thank you, Mabel Lou, for the presentation and the visit. Love Nancy Ralston

### **The Mary Martha Circle is offering specials for the holidays ahead.**

All Happy Home flavorings are \$2.00, and apple butter is now \$5.00 a quart and \$4.00 a pint. Please call Margaret Curry at 480-4358 or Debbie Landes at 248-1223. They will be available on Mondays at 9:30 am at the church for orders. If necessary, home deliveries will be made.

**Have Joys and Concerns you would like to share with your church family?** Please submit your joys and concerns to the office via postal mail or email Annie at: scobsecretary@gmail.com

**Bittersweet Child Sponsorships:** Even with physical schools being closed, there is hope to return in person instruction in January 2021. We hope to continue to promote education by supporting children to attend school during the 21-22 school year. Our donation process will look differently, but our goal is the same. Please fill out the form on page 9 of your November newsletter and return it with your donation to SCOB. We will be collecting donations through December 20, 2020.

**November's newsletter financial report update:** The \$9,000.00 Capital Account Reductions amount was a transfer of Capital Expenditure Funds from our 2020 budget line to our investment account for Capital Expenditures with Brethren Foundation Funds, Inc. of the Church of the Brethren Benefit Trust as approved through the Stewards Commission Chair.

**Please see the next page (printed on the back of this page) for an invitation from Mountain View Fellowship.**

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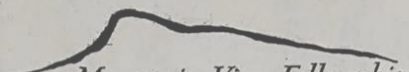
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Dear *Staunton Church of the Brethren friends,*

You received a letter from us in early 2007 inviting you to attend a dedication service for our new Mountain View Fellowship church building. We are extremely grateful for the support that you gave us during those years as we were preparing to build and following the completion our building in late 2006.

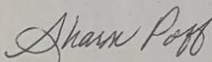
We remember, and again express our sincere thanks for your generous gifts in the amount of *\$ 2,940 from Dumber Day, classes, and children's books.*

Because of the support of many congregations and individuals we were able to reduce the amount of our mortgage. We are pleased to report that the mortgage, along with a loan from one congregation, has now been paid-in-full, ahead of schedule, and we are debt-free.

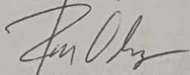
In this time of Covid-19 we will not be able to have a large celebration of this milestone, but we are planning an outdoor Mortgage Burning Service at 5 PM on Sunday, November 22. The Sunday before Thanksgiving seems like an appropriate time for such a service because we have so much for which to be thankful.

We invite you to attend this outdoor service if you desire. We will provide some refreshments and time for fellowship (with appropriate social distancing). Just dress for the weather and bring a lawn chair for seating. We hope you can attend, but most of all we wish to convey to you our heartfelt gratitude for the prayers and financial support you gave us in those early days that helped us to move forward in faith.

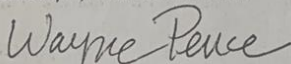
As we stated in that letter in 2007, this building would not have been possible without the support of many people beyond our congregation. Your financial and prayer support gave us great encouragement then and has continued to do so. We want to thank you once again as we lift up what God has done and continues to do at Mountain View Fellowship. We invite you to come and be a part of the celebration as we burn our mortgage and re-dedicate our church building to the glory of God and our neighbor's good.



Sharon Poff, leadership Team chair



Ron Oleyar, Finance Team chair



Wayne Pence, Pastor