



FRIENDSHIP MENNONITE CHURCH

Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ

January 18, 2009

**Now faith is being sure of what we hope
for and certain of what we do not see.**

Hebrews 11:1

Coming to God

- Welcome and Announcements
- Ministry Highlight: *Counseling Ministry*
- Call to Worship
- Opening Songs
- Offering

Learning about God

- Receiving of New Members
- Songs of Praise
- Scripture Reading: Acts 2:1-17a
- Sermon: *"United By the Spirit"* Kevin Kanagy

Responding to God

- Song of Response
- Congregational Response
- Congregational Prayer
- Closing Song
- Benediction

Serving Today:

Worship Leader: Jonathan Witmer-Rich

Piano: Nan Kanagy

Song Leader: Nan Kanagy

Usher: Matt Savage

Greeters: Ike and Jean White

S.S. Nursery: Todd Miller

Worship Nursery: Chris Coblentz

Upcoming Events & Meetings

Jan. 19-22	Pastors at School for Leadership Training
Tue. Jan. 20	Church Council Meeting 6:30pm
Sun. Jan 25	Potluck after church for Nham Family
Fri. Jan. 30	Women's Time Out at Kotva's 6:00pm
Wed. Feb. 4	Worship Committee Meeting 7:00pm
Sun. Feb. 8	Church Life Meeting after church

Giving for January 11, 2009

Church Offering:	Sunday School:
\$1259.55	\$10.00
Meals on Wheels:	Meat Canner:
\$7.00	\$5.00

Announcements:

- **Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church! If you are visiting us this week, thank you! We are so glad you've joined us!** Please take a moment to fill out a visitor information card located in the pew and place it in the offering.
- **Pastors Kevin and Nan will be in Harrisonburg, VA** today through Thursday for the School for Leadership Training at Eastern Mennonite Seminary. **Please pray for them** as they reconnect with the community, worship, and learn. The theme for the week is "Christians Engaging Cultural Change." Shane Hipps (www.shanehipps.com) and Regina Shands Stoltzfus (former associate pastor at Lee Heights) will be the speakers.
- Please **warmly welcome Ben and Cara Speros** as they become members of our church today! Ben and Cara, along with their children Callie and Ian, have been attending since the middle of the summer. They are already involved in ministry with the children during Children's Church and have been doing a wonderful job. Let's keep this wonderful family in our prayers.
- Please **join us next Sunday** as we have special time of recognition and prayer for **Sang and Bahlee Nham** and their family as they will be returning to Korea at the beginning of February. Please join us in the fellowship hall for a potluck as well! ALL are invited.

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Announcements Continued

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- If you signed up for the **Prayer Chain**, you will find a list in your mailbox. Contact **Marjorie Kotva** to have your prayer request shared with this group. For extra copies, see Cara Speros.
- **Mennonite Central Committee** is engaged in the process of **discerning God's direction** by engaging all staff, volunteers and constituents in creating a common vision and revised structure for MCC. To this end, **regional meetings will be held** to enable all to participate. Our church is invited to join the gathering on **January 31, 2009, at Kidron Mennonite Church**, from 9:30AM and finish by early afternoon. A light lunch will be included. Registration had been requested by January 10, but the MCC office has indicated that reservations will still be accepted, but should be made as soon as possible. **Please call** the MCC Great Lakes office at (574) 534-4133 if you are interested.
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