



The New Vision

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All are invited to Coffee Hour at 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service begins at 10:15 a.m.
Nursery is available for younger children.

Our Staff:

Becky Fuchs – Pastor
John Hess – Director of Music
Gloria Hess – Organist
Amy Boshnaugle – Puppet Ministry
Jackie Sands – Secretary
George Schwert – Custodian

Mountville Church of the Brethren is located at the corner of College, Hoover, & Clay Streets in Mountville, PA. If you have further questions regarding the Mountville Church, please feel free to call the church

Coming This Summer

Be sure to mark these special events in the life of our church on your summer calendars.

EVERY SUNDAY!

9:30-10:10 Sip, Chat and Share is our weekly coffee hour and fellowship time.

10:15 Worship for adults in the sanctuary and for children in our children's rooms on the ground floor.

June 19-26 Senior High workcamp in Crossnore, NC.

Youth who are attending are Daron Ritchie, Devin Ritchie, and AJ Taylor. Jerry Bushong and Tom Ritchie are advisors.

June 29-July 3 Church of the Brethren Annual Conference

Becky Fuchs will serve as our congregation's delegate to Annual Conference which is being held in Greensboro, NC. To watch live business sessions and worship services go to <http://www.brethren.org/ac/2016/webcasts.html>.

August 21 Blessing of the Students

Plan to attend this special service of blessing for all of our students. Becky Fuchs will preach. Following worship there will be a pizza party in our fellowship hall. Plan to join us for lunch and give our children, youth, and teachers a great send-off to the new school year.

September 4 Campfire Worship Service

We will gather around a campfire of sorts for an informal worship service in our fellowship hall. Join us for music and a time of inspiration. Casual dress is required. Feel free to bring your favorite lawn chair.

Congratulations Graduates

In our worship service on June 5 we recognized the accomplishments of three graduates in our congregation.

Michael Field graduated in December from Lock Haven University with his Bachelors degree in Health and Physical Education. Mike has been a substitute Physical Education teacher in the Hempfield School district this past semester and is looking for a fulltime teaching job.

Joel Musser graduated from the Temple University School of Pharmacy with his Doctorate in Pharmacy. Joel is currently preparing to take his Pharmacy board exams this month after which he'll begin a one year pharmacy residency at Lancaster General Hospital.

Carolyn Berrier graduated from Millersville University with a B.S. degree in Nursing. Carolyn is a registered nurse and works at Wellspan Ephrata.



Endowment Fund Gift Leaves Legacy of Love

In its charter document, the stated purpose of Mountville church's Endowment fund is “to enhance the mission and vision of the Mountville Church of the Brethren apart from the general operation of the congregation...” Whereas the generous regular giving of members and friends supports our church’s outreach and day-to-day operation, our Endowment Fund provides the potential for ministry beyond our annual operating budget. As detailed in last month’s *New Vision* article, investment earnings may be spent for emergencies, repairs, renovations, capital improvements, debt reduction, or assigned to Education or Outreach Teams for special projects.

How people use personal resources, financial and otherwise, makes a value statement. Our gifts to the church communicate our faith in God’s blessing and grace. Gifts to the Endowment Fund can be made anytime, but are particularly well suited to serve those of us wishing to remember the church in our wills. An estate gift to Mountville Church leaves a permanent legacy of love and communicates a sense of Christian values to our loved ones.

"A beautiful stained-glass window in a Memphis, Tennessee, church depicts Jesus with a staff in one hand and a lamb in the other. Underneath the window are these words: “Your Works Still Live.” The words on that window illustrate the primary point of an endowment fund. Such gifts allow God’s stewards to extend the benefit of their convictions and values beyond their lifetimes. The ministries that their money supports assure that Jesus’ works still live. Where could we find a better investment opportunity?”quote from May, 2009 issue of the Parish Paper.

For more information about the Mountville Church of the Brethren’s Endowment Fund, call the church office at (717) 285-5122.

Mountville COB May	2016 Offerings
For General Fund	\$ 20,434.10
Continuing Our Vision	\$ 13,746.00
Designated	\$ 2,474.50

Bits 'n Pieces

What a wonderful church family we have! A big thank you for all who came to our 50th Anniversary Open House and for all the cards. (More than 120!) We were blessed to have family and friends here from FL, KS, MD, MA and all over PA! Our hearts are filled with love and gratitude to all. - Harry and Dottie Light

Thank you for lending us your facility and your help with the screen for our chapel presentation. You were - and are - a blessing to our school. Thank you for all your helping as you made our chapel with Tracey Jones a great event. Thank you from all of us at Dayspring. Happy Summer, Joanne Martin.

Thank you for your kind donation of Hygiene Kits to Church World Service. Your compassion has given individuals and families touched by disaster the tangible evidence that they matter. That someone cares. And they are not alone. Here at home or overseas, when tragedy strikes your donations ensure that help is never far behind.

With deepest gratitude, Rev. John McCullough, Church World Service

Annual Conference 2016

Church of the Brethren Annual Conference will be held June 29 - July 3 in Florida. Pastor Becky Fuchs is our delegate to the conference this year. Annual Conference Moderator, Andy Murray has chosen a theme inspired by John 1:1-5. The theme is

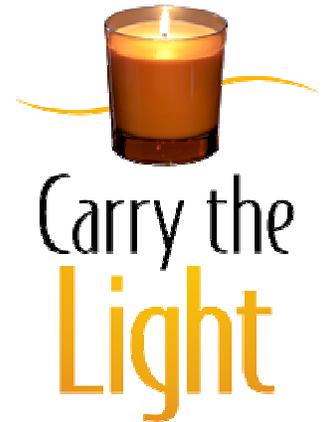
Carry the Light ...in your heart — Claim it
...in your church — Focus it
...in your community — Spread it
...in your world — Be it

Preachers for worship services include Andy Murray, Kurt Borgmann, Dennis Webb, Dawn Ottoni-Wilhelm, and Eric Brubaker. Shawn Kirchner, Terry Murray and the musical group Mutual Kumquat will present a concert on Wednesday evening.

Our new General Secretary, David Steele will be officially introduced. David Steele was the Moderator of Annual Conference in 2015. He has served as the District Executive in Middle PA District since 2005.

Several new queries from districts will be considered by Standing Committee and possibly by the delegate body. These queries ask the delegate body to determine how districts should respond when credentialed ministers and/or congregations conduct or participate in same sex weddings; whether On Earth Peace is a viable and helpful organization or if it should be dissolved; how we as denomination can care for our creation, and how we can address the roots of the tension in our denomination and develop strategies that will aid us in treating one another in a truly Christ-like manner despite our differences on many matters of faith. The full queries can be viewed at <http://www.brethren.org/ac/2016/business/>.

Even though you may not be traveling to Greensboro, you can participate in conference activities via the internet. Worship services and most business sessions will be streamed live over the internet. The link to the webcasts can be accessed at www.brethren.org/ac/2015/webcasts.html. Please pray for safe travel for all those who travel to Greensboro, for the worship and activities at conference, and for the work of the conference delegates.



Children's Ministry, An Invitation

Each year, as we approach Labor Day and the beginning of what we call "the new Sunday school year" I write a newsletter article for Children's Ministry to remind the congregation of the important faith formation opportunity that we offer all children who attend or visit our church.

The congregation sees our children when they take the Two Cent Offering, when they function as acolytes and when they join the congregation for special segments of family worship such as special music, puppets, blessings and baptisms. These are times for the children to practice the skills to participate in worship that they are learning in children's worship. In children's worship we learn about the special seasons of the church year, we hear Bible stories, we pass the peace, we learn the Lord's Prayer and we learn songs and hymns for worship.

Every week we remind the children that they are a part of the church family in this place. So I urge everyone to greet children, learn their names, and appreciate their participation in the congregation's activities.

The invitation:

We welcome your visit to children's worship to experience a session for yourself. Something interesting, moving or inspiring happens almost every week. Check the bulletin and ask the children's worship leader for that day about a visit.

We also ask for you to consider becoming a helper, if you are able, two or three Sundays a year. Speak to a member of the

**Children's Ministry Committee:
Margie Musser, Joyce Kerns,
Betsy Thomas, Nanette Bushong.
Sarah Repkoe or Kitty Collier if
you are willing to volunteer. You
will be scheduled and oriented by
the leader of the day you are help-
ing.**

I am stepping back from some of the duties as coordinator of children's ministry but my commitment to this quality program will not change. I hope that the whole congregation will participate in helping our children learn to be followers of Jesus. Our purpose is to make the children feel safe among friends and to learn from the words and actions of each person as they represent to them the love and care of our church family. We tell the children each week that "God is with them at all times and in all places" and that they are surrounded by people who love and care for them.



July Birthday Blessings & Anniversary Wishes

Birthday Blessings to:

2 Marian Bollinger Fay Powell	17 Norman Bollinger Margie Musser
6 Karen Eberly	19 Brandon Shenk
7 Shannon Barto	21 Alta Bantz
9 Marty Bushong Sam Field	22 Michael Long
George Schwert	22 Pey McAllister
10 Cindy Abel	23 Chayanne Sanchez Janet Booz
11 Bill Carlin	29 Jean Carlin
12 Joel B. Musser	30 Stanley Williams
16 Butch Shenk	

Happy Anniversary to:

20 Donald & Patricia Aument
20 Norman & Marian Bollinger



*Please contact the church office
If your birthday or anniversary
was missed. Thank you.*

The Health Ministry Team is providing this list of
Members and Friends who are unable to attend church regularly.

Merlin & Flora Jean Beam
1400 Enterprise Dr.
Lynchburg, VA 24502
434-239-0889
*Birthdays: Merlin 2/6
Flora Jean 8/7
Anniversary: 10/9*

Janet Booz
3001 Lititz Pike
Lancaster, PA 17606 581-4059

Gretchen Brock
Manorcare Health Services
320 S. Market St.
Elizabethtown, PA 17022
Birthday: 5/5

Ruth H. Bushong
3001 Lititz Pike
Lancaster, PA 17606 560-4929
Birthday: 10/10

Harold & Jo Ann Enders
3203 Horizon Dr.
Lancaster, PA 17601 285-5238
*Birthdays: Harold 6/7
Jo Ann 8/8
Anniversary: 2/11*

Ray & Anna Ruth Enders
375 Primrose Lane
Mountville, PA 17554 285-4289
*Birthdays: Ray 12/4
Anna Ruth 11/10
Anniversary: 12/23*

Ethel Good
3604 Horizon Dr.
Lancaster, PA 17601 285-3920
Birthday: 9/26

Olive Kline
203 Greenbriar Circle
Lancaster, PA 17603 397-5386

Betty Mowrer
c/o Vanessa Klaus
2251 Oswego Dr. Apt. 7
Columbia, PA 17512 681-2351
Birthday 6/3

Miriam Sampsel
2401 McKee II
551 Free Mason Dr.
Elizabethtown PA 17022
361-5601 *Birthday: 10/19*

Gene & Barbara Swords
3001 Lititz Pike,
Lancaster, PA 17606 560-0345
*Birthdays: Gene 10/25
Barbara 1/31
Anniversary: 8/26*

★ *Please remember these persons in your prayers, cards, phone calls and visits.
We suggest you contact the church office, 285-5122, with any additions or changes.*

JULY SERVERS

Ushers
 Love Simegn
 A J Taylor
 Daron Ritchie
 Devin Ritchie

Worship Leaders
 3 - Larry Booz
 10 - Holly Mele
 17 - Kathy Long
 24 - Dave Fuchs
 31 - Forrest Collier

Acolytes
 3 - Alex Wolford
 10 - Alexa Taylor
 17 - McKenna Wolford
 24 - Alexa Taylor
 31 - Alex Wolford

Children's Ministry

3 – Kitty Collier, Tess Wolford, Joan Boshnaugle, Amanda Ritchie
 10 – Kitty Collier, A J Taylor, Carol Ritchie, Alexa Taylor
 17 – Margie Musser, Jerry Bushong, Carey Taylor, A J Taylor
 24 – Sarah Repkoe, Holly Mele, Lisa Boshnaugle, Love Simegn
 31 – Betsy Thomas, Beth Hess, Amy Boshnaugle Amanda Ritchie

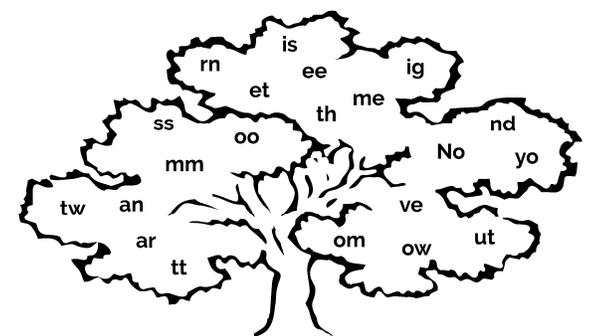


PUZZLE

Signs of summer

Jesus told his disciples that fig trees indicate when summer is approaching.

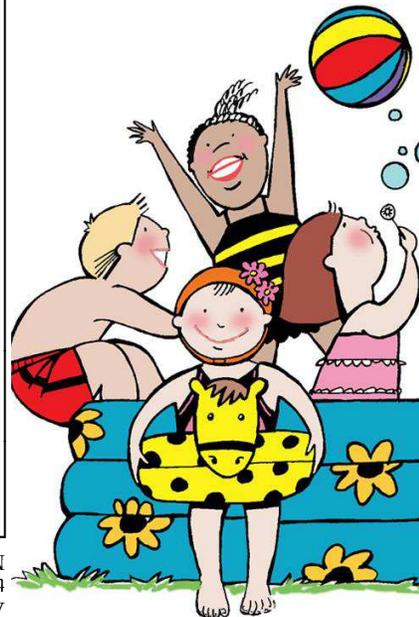
Directions: Complete the Bible verse below by placing the letter pairs from the tree into the correct blanks.



“ ___ w lea ___ th ___ le ___ on
 fr ___ the f ___ tr ___: As s ___ n
 as its ___ igs g ___ te ___ er ___ d
 its lea ___ s co ___ o ___, ___ u
 kn ___ ___ at su ___ er is ne ___.”

Ma ___ hew 24:32, NIV

Answer: “Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near.”
 Matthew 24:32, NIV



SUMMER FRUIT PIZZA



Celebrate summer with this tasty dessert pizza, using your favorite summer fruits as the toppings.

What you need:

- 1 tube slice-and-bake sugar cookie dough
- Knife
- Round pizza pan
- 8 ounces cream cheese
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups sliced fruit
- Adult help

What you do:

1. Cut the dough into slices 1/8-inch thick. Place slices on the pan, overlapping them slightly.
2. Bake at 375 degrees for 12 minutes. Let cool.
3. Combine softened cream cheese, sugar and vanilla, mixing well. Spread this “frosting” over the baked-cookie “crust.”
4. Arrange fruit on top of the pizza.
5. Slice and enjoy!

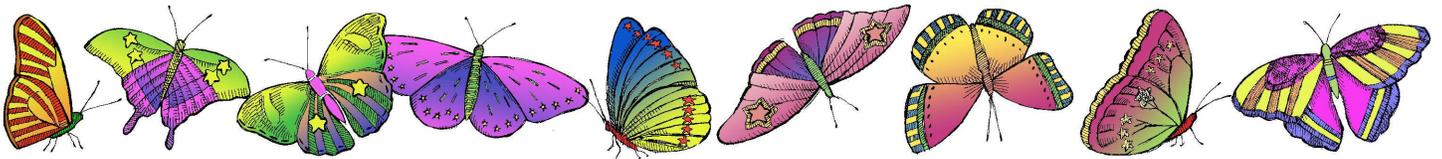
LOOKING AHEAD

Sr. High Workcamp, North Carolina: June 19-26

Annual Conference: June 29-July 3

Blessing of the Students & Pizza Party: August 21

Campfire Worship in Fellowship Hall: September 4



Deadline for the August 2016 New Vision articles is Sunday, July 10, 2016.



*"Your young . . . shall see Visions -
your old . . . shall dream Dreams."
- Acts 2:17-21*

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