# Mountville Church of the Brethren



## August 9 2020

Worship 10:15 a.m.

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#### MOUNTVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Fostering Growth in Faith, in Community, and in Service

10:15 a.m. August 9, 2020

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#### GATHERING AND PRAISING GOD

In response to God's call to us we gather for worship feeling accepted and loved. We invoke God's presence, knowing that God is already here.

Hearing assistance devices are available for use. Please see the technician at our sound booth if this service will be helpful to you.

Large print bulletins and hymnals are also available. Please speak to one of our ushers if you would like either one or both of these.

\*Congregation stands as able

**CHIMES** 

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

PRELUDE Largo Vivaldi

\*HYMN There Is a Place of Quiet Rest

\*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Leader: Come with joy and gladness to praise and honor God. Come to the refreshing waters God provides. Come, and be near to the heart of God.

People: God is gracious and merciful and full of compassion.

Leader: Come and worship, all you who are weary and carrying heavy burdens. Come, for Christ has promised rest.

People: The gentle spirit of Christ invites us to come near to the heart of God. We have come to find rest for our souls.

\*INVOCATION^

SPECIAL MUSIC Do You Know My Jesus Ellis/Lackey

#### **COMMUNICATING WITH GOD**

Through silence, music and the spoken word we engage in a conversation with God.

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

#### **HYMN**

#### DEDICATING OURSELVES TO GOD

We are called to respond in some concrete way to God's spoken Word. Stewardship includes the giving of not only our money but also ourselves.

#### INVITATION TO GIVE & OFFERTORY PRAYER^

#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

God speaks to us through the Word and the interpretation of the Word.

SPECIAL MUSIC The Gift of Love Hopson

GOSPEL READING Matthew 11:28-30 **12 NT** 

SERMON A Sermon for the Heavy Laden

\*HYMN O God in Restless Living 557

#### SENDING AND BLESSING

We have come to worship.

Now as newly created people, we go forth to serve.

We respond to God.

#### \*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE	Prelude and Fugue in C	Bach

<sup>^</sup> Bayler, Lavon. Taught by Love. Cleveland: Pilgrim Press, 2002. 120-121, adapted.

## Serving You Today

Rebecca Fuchs **Pastor Guest Preacher** Kenneth Gibble Music Director John Hess **Organist** Gloria Hess Worship Leader Forrest Collier Special Music Cathy Funderwhite, Debbie Connor Head Usher Joan Boshnaugle Prayer Chain Mary Finkbiner, 717-581-5767 Linda Bushong, 717-898-3330 Larry & Janice Booz, Lynn Landis, Joel Musser Greeters

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Nancy Enders gives the flowers in the worship center to the glory and honor of God and in memory of Rev. Floyd Bantz, retired pastor of Lancaster Church of the Brethren, who she had the honor of serving with for 10 years.

#### **Prayer Ministry**

*The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.* (James 5:16b)

Please keep the following persons in your prayers:

Marian Bollinger, Janice Booz, Bertha Finkbiner, Jay & Janelle Fitz, Kirsten Hart, Brenda Hutchins Yoh, Joan Pontius, Lew & Fay Powell, Karen Strine, Linda Weber at home.

We are grateful to Cathy Funderwhite and Debbie Connor for providing special music for our worship this morning.

We are delighted to welcome Ken Gibble back to our congregation as our guest preacher this morning. Ken is an ordained minister in the Church of the Brethren, a published author and a frequent contributor to Messenger. Ken lives in the Harrisburg area and is a member of the Ridgeway Church of the Brethren.

## STATISTICS for August 2, 2020 Received for General Fund \$3,095.00 DESIGNATED FUNDS Global Food Initiative \$128.00 Ott Music Fund \$250.00

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#### NURSERY CARE TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

Beginning September 13, nursery care will be available during Sunday School and during the church service. The staff and volunteers during both periods will be practicing CDC guidelines and parents of those toddlers are expected to do the same. Lisa Boshnaugle will have instructed all of the volunteers on those CDC guidelines.

COBYS 2020 BIKE & HIKE is Sunday, September 13 at the Lititz COB. (1) Bikers and hikers will have a start time "window" with rolling starts on September 13. (2) Walk or ride on your own time, on our course or your own course. Gather your sponsors and do your walk/hike at a time convenient to you but no later than Sept. 13. (3) Sponsor Mark Cunningham, Exec. Dir. of COBYS. In honor of COBYS celebrating 40 years of service, Mark will cover 40 miles on foot the week prior to Sept. 13. For more information pick up a brochure on the table across from the kitchen.

#### Mission Statement

The Mountville Church of the Brethren invites all children, youth, and adults to connect with Jesus Christ through meaningful worship, engaging spiritual growth opportunities, caring fellowship, practical peace-making, and compassionate service to local and and global neighbors.

#### THIS WEEK

Today: 12:30 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer

Mon: 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary

Tues: 7:00 p.m. – Divorce Support Group, Hospitality Room

### Next Sunday, August 16, 2020

#### 10:15 a.m. We gather to worship God

Becky Fuchs will preach *When a Band Aid Isn't Enough* based on Jeremiah 6:9-16. John Hess and Jim Ziegler will provide special instrumental music and Holly Mele will lead worship.

#### PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

Becky Fuchs is on vacation and will return to work on August 12. If you have a pastoral need during this time please call the church office, Nancy Hess, or one of our deacons: Norman and Marian Bollinger, Jerry and Linda Bushong, Joe and Dawn Musser.

#### THANK YOU!

Your support of our school kit project has been amazing. We now have all the supplies needed for 300 school kits AND we have money to cover the cost for the supplies. If you still want to give pencils or money for supplies, it will go towards next year's kits. Thank you so much for making this possible. In order to observe social distancing, a small group of us will assemble these kits in the lower narthex on August 19 and the kits will be blessed during worship on August 23.

#### **BLESSING OF THE STUDENTS**

During worship on August 23, we will bless our students, teachers, and school employees before they return to school. We will also bless the school kits that have been assembled through the generous donations of many of you and that will be delivered to Church World Service for distribution to children who lack necessary school supplies. COVID19 is having a huge impact on our educational system, so this year it is more important than ever for us to pray for a productive, safe, and enjoyable school year for our children, youth, and the adults who teach and support them.