

Mountville Church of the Brethren



November 1, 2020

Worship 10:15 a.m.

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MOUNTVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN



*Fostering growth in faith,
growth in community, and growth in service.*

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GATHERING

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 *Gavotte* Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Based on Isaiah 52:7

Leader: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,

**People: Who brings good news, who announces salvation,
Who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."**

Leader: Let us worship the One called Prince of Peace, and open our hearts to His challenge.

**People: With God's help, we will commit anew to following Jesus
as those who make peace, spread love, and practice mercy.**

*HYMN *What Is This Place* 1

*INVOCATION

SERVICE OF WELCOME AND COVENANT FOR
PASTOR JOE A. DETRICK, INTERIM
(See insert.)

COMMUNICATING WITH GOD

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

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC *Give Peace to Your People* Fettke

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 2:1-4 OT 631

EPISTLE READING Romans 12:9-21 NT 162

SERMON *That's No Way to Treat an Enemy*

HYMN *We Are People of God's Peace* 407

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 our selves.

INVITATION TO GIVE & OFFERTORY PRAYER^

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

We have come to worship. Now as newly created people, we go forth to serve. We respond to God.

*HYMN *Hearts With Loving Hearts United* 420

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Ricercare*

^Rainsley, Glen. Hear Our Prayer. Cleveland: United Church Press, 1996. 147, adapted.

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.

Serving You Today

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Interim Pastor Joe Detrick
Guest Preacher Rev. Dr. Jeff Bach
Music Director John Hess
Organist Gloria Hess
Worship Leader Nancy Hess
Special Music Janice Booz, Larry Booz, Bob Huber, Lois Silver
Head Usher Joan Boshnaugle
Children's Ministry Staff Joyce Kerns, Alexa Taylor
Prayer Chain Mary Finkbiner, 717-581-5767
Linda Bushong, 717-898-3330
Greeters Bob & Heidi Keller, John & Julie Ament
Security Harry Light
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The flowers in the worship center are given to the honor and glory of God for all his goodness, and also in honor of Ruth & Don Boshnaugle's wedding anniversary.

Prayer Ministry

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

Please keep the following persons in your prayers:

Marian Bollinger, Sam Field, Bertha Finkbiner, Mary Finkbiner, Jay & Jane Darlene Fitze, Kirsten Hart, Brenda Hutchins Yoh, Lew & Fay Powell, Karen Strine, Linda Weber at home.

Janelle Fitze at East End Behavioral Hospital, 225 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15221.

We welcome Rev. Dr. Jeff Bach as our guest preacher today. Rev. Dr. Bach recently retired from serving as the director of the Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies at Elizabethtown College where he worked from 2007-2020. He taught for 13 years at Bethany Theological Seminary and was pastor of the Prairie City Church of the Brethren in Iowa for 7 years. He is a member at Stevens Hill Church of the Brethren and is an ordained minister. He and his wife, Ann Mason Bach, have two daughters and live in Mount Joy.

THIS WEEK

Today: Congregational Forum after Church, Sanctuary
12:30 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer
Mon: 5:00 p.m. – Set-up for Elections on Tuesday, Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
Tues: 8:00 a.m. – Election Day, Fellowship Hall
Thurs: 6:30 p.m. – Girl Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Sat: 6:00 a.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday, November 8, 2020

9:00-9:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages

- Birth through pre-K meet in the nursery, room 122.
- Elementary class for grades K-6 meets in room 123.
- Youth will join the adults for the study of Christian practices of faith.
- Adult class will gather in the Fellowship Hall. Seating will be according to CDC Guidelines and all participants must wear masks. The class is studying the Adam Hamilton series, “The Walk” in which he discusses the five basic practices of Christian faith. Walt VanderHeijden will teach on “Give”.

10:15 a.m. Children’s Worship in room 124 for ages 4-5th grade.

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

Interim Pastor Joe Detrick will preach. Special music will be provided by Chuck Few and Jim Zeigler on euphoniums.

Pastor Joe’s office hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. - noon with visitation in the afternoon. Pastor Joe will work at home on Fridays and observe Mondays and Saturdays as days off. Office phone: 717-285-5122. Cell phone: 717-578-7997. Email: joeclergy@comcast.net

STATISTICS for October 18, 2020

Received for General Fund	\$ 8,363.00
DESIGNATED FUNDS	
Kits	500.00
Disaster Relief.....	680.00
Food Bank.....	72.00
Brethren Housing Assoc. (Turkeys)	155.00
Beth Shalom.....	250.00
Cemetery & Memorial Garden	250.00
Un Nuevo Renacer	216.00

Worship: 62 Sunday School: 25

STATISTICS for October 25, 2020

Received for General Fund	\$ 4,145.00
DESIGNATED FUNDS	
Brethren Housing Assoc.: (Turkeys)	227.50
Disaster Relief.....	300.00

Worship: 123 Sunday School: 26

CHRISTMAS AT BHA

We have been asked to help buy gifts for the mothers and their children at Brethren Housing Association. We have committed to 7 moms and 9 children. Please meet Ruthie Bushong and Wendy Allshouse after church today, and take a wish list. Choose one or two items that you can purchase. Be sure to return the wish list to us with the items that you purchased circled. Do this when you bring your gifts to church. Thanks so much for your help with this project.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Due to COVID, we need to place our poinsettia order with Royers flowers by November 9. Please see the “Poinsettia Order Form” in today’s bulletin and return to the church office a.s.a.p. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Leadership Team Chair: Words of Introduction

Unison Congregational Prayer:

Faithful God: You have blessed us with a rich history of gifted leaders and an engaged congregation. Walk with us through this season of transition. Heal our grief. Energize our dreams so that we may continue to share the love of Jesus Christ with our local and global neighbors.

Pastor Joe: As we begin this interim time together, we have the opportunity to form new relationships. I pledge to you my commitment, as a minister of the gospel among you. I will guide you in worship, pray for you, walk beside you during your joys and struggles. I will encourage, assist, and challenge you, as you prepare for your permanent pastor.

Unison Congregational Response:

We, the people of the Mountville Church of the Brethren, welcome you to our congregation, Pastor Joe. We receive you as a servant of God. We pledge our partnership with you as, together, we use our God-given gifts in worship, education, service, witness, and stewardship.

Moderator: Words of Welcome

Pastor Joe: God bless us and lead us as, together, we embark on this interim journey. I invite us to view this time as an opportunity for learning and growth as the Holy Spirit instructs and prepares us for future ministry and mission in this place.

*As in years past, we will decorate the Sanctuary on December 20 with poinsettias. If you are interested in placing a poinsettia in the Sanctuary, please fill out this form and place it in the offering plate along with your check made payable to the Mountville Church of the Brethren. Mark your check "Poinsettia". YOUR PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ORDER. Deadline to order your poinsettia(s) is **Monday, November 9, 2020.***

You may place as many poinsettias as you wish in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Those names will be included in the bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Please write in amount ordered beside each color.

5 + bloom	White	\$9.50	_____
	Red	\$9.50	_____
	Marble	\$9.50	_____

Total flowers _____ *Total amount enclosed:*

Please print the names below exactly as you want them to appear in the bulletin.

Given in MEMORY of _____

Given in HONOR of _____

Given by _____

Thank you.