Mountville Church of the Brethren



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March 14, 2021

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.

March 14, 2021 10:15 a.m. **Fourth Sunday in Lent**

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.

GATHERING MUSIC

CHIMES

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Lamb of God

CALL TO WORSHIP^

Walt VanderHeijden

Pastor Detrick

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Welcome, beloved in Christ! We have come to worship this morning to celebrate the love of God in the form of Jesus Christ. This love reaches through the shadows of our lives to embrace us. As we come to worship may our challenge be to trust the light of God's love in the midst of our struggles. We come to celebrate the light of God in Jesus who offers love and acceptance, rather than judgment and rejection. We come to celebrate our God who loved and loves us so much! Welcome to worship!

INVOCATION^

Walt VanderHeijden

O God of Comfort and God of Challenge, we come to you this morning with joys and concerns, with many things on our minds and hearts. Help us this day, O God, to lay aside every weight that holds us down, and embrace the life-giving source of life – the gift of your love in Christ. As we worship this day, may we continually recognize your blessing at work in our day to day lives. In all that we do and say, O God, may we always consider how we might be instruments of your peace. Amen.

HYMN When Morning Gilds the Skies

COMMUNICATING WITH GOD

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Walt VanderHeijden

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 and PRAYER^ Walt VanderHeijden

SPECIAL MUSIC The Wondrous Cross Nancy Price & Don Besig

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON	Walt VanderHeijden
Matthew 16:13-23	Luke 22:54-62

SERMON*	Peter: Dead Sure	'till the Rooster Crowed	Pastor Joe
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SENDING INTO THE WORLD

We have come to worship. Now we go forth to serve.

HYMNGlorious Things of Thee Are Spoken619

BENEDICTION^

Walt VanderHeijden

Let us rejoice: God so loves the world! May God your Maker send you out into the world each day with your creative energies refreshed! May the Light of Christ illuminate your fearful moments, and may the Holy Spirit guide you until we worship together again. This day and forevermore. Amen!

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^ Resources for the Fourth Sunday of Lent, written by the Rev. Dr. Ginny Brown Daniel, Conference Minister for Missouri Mid-South Conference, UCC. (adapted) *Monologue of Simon Peter adapted. Original source unknown.

Serving You Today

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Interim Pastor	Joe Detrick
Music Director	John Hess
Organist	Gloria Hess
Worship Leader	Walt VanderHeijden
Special Music	Janice Booz, Larry Booz, Ginny Hart, Bob Huber
Violin	Nonie Detrick
Prayer Chain	Mary Finkbiner, 717-581-5767
	Linda Bushong, 717-898-3330

Our prayers and sympathies go to Chuck and Terry Few on the death of Terry's mother, Rose Showalter, on Monday, March 8, 2021.

Thanks to our church family for the many expressions of sympathy after the death of Bud's brother. We appreciate the caring, loving concern our congregation. - Bud and Ginny Hart.

Thank you for all the prayers and cards of sympathy I received and to those who braved the cold at Bertha's graveside service.

- Lloyd Finkbiner

MEN'S MONDAYS

You are invited to attend "Men's Mondays", a new small group beginning, Monday, March 15 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the lower narthex/library area of the church. Please wear a mask; seating will follow physical distancing guidelines. The topic: *Remembering Your Story*. Participants will be invited to fellowship and share memories of their lives based on different topics each week. The group will continue weekly through May 17. Steve Hess will lead the group. Feel free to use the door by the Memorial Garden to enter. Questions? Please call Steve at 717-898-3959 or Forrest Collier at 717-984-2750. If you cannot attend the in-person group, we will explore options for a Zoom group, based on interest. Please contact Nancy Hess if you are interested in a men's online group. 717-341-4469. STATISTICS for Feb. 28-March 7, 2021

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Received for General Fund	\$9,321.04
DESIGNATED FUNDS	
Endowment Fund	
Kathy VanderHeijden Justice Fund	
Memorial Fund	75.00
Global Food Initiative	
Kits	
Disaster Relief	
Food Bank	
Hands Across the Street	
Mountville Elementary Gifts	

Zoom Adult Sunday School: 19

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Next Sunday, March 21, 2021

9:00-9:50 a.m. Christian Education

You are invited to the online Seekers Sunday school session beginning at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom. We will begin our six-week Lenten series by Matt Rawles entitled "The Grace of Les Miserables". Forrest Collier will lead *Building the Barricade*. If you have a computer, simply go to: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9102712038?pwd=UG5YUGo5TzJQVC83 Z3dZYURueDNmdz09 If you have a smartphone or tablet, you will need to install the Zoom app before joining the session.

10:15 a.m. We gather to worship God. Fifth Sunday in Lent.

This Sunday Interim Pastor Joe will preach "The Suffering Love of Jesus" from John 11:20-33 and Hebrews 4:14-16. Special music will be provided by Chuck Few

The <u>MARCH FOOD CART</u> items and monetary donations go to the Hempfield Food Pantry. They are in need of: large peanut butter, large jelly, canned corn, canned carrots, canned mixed vegetables, Mac and cheese, and 2 pound package of dried pinto beans. Remember no out dated or glass items. Thank you.

March Focus on Outreach: HYGIENE KITS

which are distributed by Church World Service around the globe wherever they are needed. You are making a difference and bringing hope to those who have lost personal hygiene items due to disaster! Each kit contains a hand towel, washcloth, soap, toothbrush, comb, nail clippers, and 10 Band-Aids. By buying in quantity and taking advantage of discounts, we are able to purchase all the above supplies for one kit for about \$3. Please place your donation in an envelope and be sure to mark it "for KITS". Assembly of 300 hygiene kits will take place later this month.

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.