

Mountville Church of the Brethren



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March 28, 2021

Worship 10:15 a.m.

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

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PALM SUNDAY

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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Detrick

PRELUDE

All creatures of our God and King

Traditional

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Forrest Collier

One: Come to worship the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Come to shout your "Hosanna!"

All: **We worship a humble rabbi who is the greatest of kings; we proclaim our hope in the approaching kingdom of God.**

One: Come to sing and celebrate; offer your hearts and hands and voices.

All: **Timid voices and tepid spirits cannot silence the hope within us. We will sing and serve so that all the world will know of God's love.**

One: Come, proclaim the Good News; Jesus is the Christ and God rules with justice, peace, and mercy.

All: **We will follow our Lord even to the cross, for there is no amount of bad news that can silence the Good News of Jesus Christ.**

*INVOCATION^^

Forrest Collier

Come, O God, into our communities, our streets, our homes, our places of worship, and yes, even into this church and sit beside us. We recognize that you are as close to us as our breathing in and out. May we feel your Holy Spirit breath upon us in these tender moments of worship. Give us wisdom, beyond compare, love beyond all measure, and hope that springs forth eternal. Amen.

*HYMN *Hosanna, Laud, Hosanna* 238

COMMUNICATING WITH GOD

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Detrick

SPECIAL MUSIC *Hosanna, Sing Praises* Schrader

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^^ Forrest Collier

As we think about giving, we cannot escape the fact that we have already been given so much. God has, indeed, been generous! We have been given real life, abundant life, whole life, and a relational life through God's life. Now God awaits our response and willingness to share offerings as symbols of our commitment. And so we give with glad and generous hearts!

DOXOLOGY^^

*Praise God from whom our lives depend,
Praise God whose love shall never end,
With justice, love, humility,
May we serve daily, faithfully. Amen.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING^^

Continue to move us, O God, beyond this building out into the streets, our communities and into our world, to participate in ministry and mission beyond the giving of our money to the giving of ourselves. Continue to guide us as we follow Jesus so that we may bring our best and our finest offerings. Amen.

PUPPET MINISTRY *Here Comes God's Son* Hands 4 Him

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 21:1-11 Forrest Collier

SERMON *Everybody Loves a Parade!* Pastor Detrick

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

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

*HYMN *Ride on, Ride On in Majesty* 239

*BENEDICTION *Hosanna and Blessing for Palm Sunday* Courtney

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Voluntary in C* Telemann

^ Dawn Ottoni Wilhelm, Brightbill Professor of Preaching & Worship, Bethany Theological Seminary, Richmond, Indiana

^^ Invocation, Invitation to Give, Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving, written by Joe Detrick with minor adaptations.

THIS WEEK

Today: 12:30 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary

Mon: 1:00 p.m. – Assemble Hygiene Kits, Lower Narthex

6:30 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. – Men's Monday, Lower Narthex

Tues: 2:00 p.m. – Story Small Group via Zoom

6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rooms downstairs

Thurs: 7:00 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Service, Sanctuary & livestreamed

Sat: Sanctuary reserved for the day.

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 Monday at 1:00 p.m.

DISTRICT PRAYER CALENDAR FOR 2021

Encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing. (1 Thess. 5:11)

The District Prayer Calendar returns this Sunday. Begun several years ago, congregations within the Atlantic Northeast District are invited to be in prayer for each other. Today, we will be in prayer for the *New Beginnings* congregation in Manheim. The *Swatara Hill* congregation will be praying for us. *O Lord, hear our prayers.*

Serving You Today

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Interim Pastor	Joe Detrick
Music Director	John Hess
Organist	Gloria Hess
Worship Leader	Forrest Collier
Special Music	Janice Booz, Larry Booz, Bob Huber, Cathy Long, Lois Silver, Don Wagner
Puppet Ministry	Hands 4 Him Puppets
Greeters	Bob & Heidi Keller, Holly Mele, William Wolford
Prayer Chain	Mary Finkbiner, 717-581-5767 Linda Bushong, 717-898-3330
Security	Pete Musser
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FAMILY WORSHIP ON EASTER SUNDAY

The children will be joining their family in the sanctuary for Easter worship next week. They will meet at 9:00 a.m. for Sunday school before joining their family to celebrate our risen Lord.

GREETINGS FROM YOUR GREETER COORDINATOR

We will be following the original greeter list that was handed out B.C. (Before Covid) beginning Palm Sunday. If you cannot locate your list or you no longer are willing to serve, please call me (Janet) ASAP. Be sure to use the substitute list if you are unable to help on one specific Sunday. Any questions please call me at 717-684-7506. Thank you.

GRADUATION RECOGNITION

We will be honoring graduates on May 16. If you are graduating high school or a higher institute of learning or know of anyone in our congregation who is, please notify either Ginny Hart or Pastor Joe.

FLOWERS FOR THE WORSHIP CENTER

There are many dates available on the 2021 Flower Chart for you to sign-up to provide flowers for the worship center in memory or in honor of a loved one/s. Cost for 2 vases is \$35.

Mail Boxes: Don't forget to clean out your church mail boxes!

STATISTICS for March 21, 2021

Received for General Fund	\$1,570.00
DESIGNATED FUNDS	
Memorial Fund.....	200.00
Global Food Initiative.....	20.00
Kits.....	325.00

Zoom Adult Sunday School: 19

Next Sunday, April 4, 2021 Easter Sunday

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 meet in room 123.
- Youth will join the Adult Class in the Fellowship Hall.
- Adults will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Seating will be according to the CDC Guidelines and all participants must wear a mask. This Sunday Bill Kepner will lead "Body of Proof: Why can we trust in the bodily resurrection of Jesus?" based on the work by Jeremiah Johnston. You may also join via zoom. If you have a computer, simply go to:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9102712038?pwd=UG5YUGo5TzJQVC83Z3dZYURueDNmdz09> 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.

Interim Pastor's sermon is "New Life Awaits. Let Go and Trust!" from John 20:1-18. We will examine the Easter story from the vantage point of the empty tomb. When Jesus tells Mary, "do not cling to me" we also ask what it is we cling to that inhibits us from experiencing new life in Christ.

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.