

Mountville Church of the Brethren



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August 15, 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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**Hearing assistance devices are available at the sound booth.
Large print bulletins and hymnals are available in the narthex.
*Congregation stands in body or spirit.**

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Oh God Beyond All Praising* Holst. Arr. Larson

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

God scatters the seeds and calls us to grow.

We come to grow in Christ.

God scatters the seeds and calls us to love.

We come to love as Christ loves.

God scatters the seeds and calls us to hear.

We come to listen for the word of God.

May we hear and respond in worship today.

*HYMN *What is This Place* 1

*INVOCATION^

BLESSING OF KITS, KIDS, AND COMMUNITY

COMMUNICATING WITH GOD

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 13:1-9* 13

HYMN *Seed, Scattered and Sown* 454

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

In God's Service Today

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Pastor Angela Finet
Music Director John Hess
Organist Gloria Hess
Worship Leader Michael Graham
Special Music Euphonium Jim Zeigler
Trumpet John Hess
Children's Ministry Family Worship
Nursery Joyce Kerns, Alexa Taylor
Greeters Sara Wagner, Holly Mele, William Wolford
Prayer Chain Mary Finkbiner, 717-581-5767
Linda Bushong, 717-898-3330
Security Jim Long
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RESPONDING

INVITATION TO GIVE^^ & OFFERTORY PRAYER^

DOXOLOGY 119A

SPECIAL MUSIC *Hymns of Faith* Arr. Long & Sisson

PROCLAIMING

SERMON *Sown* Rev. Angela Finet

*HYMN *You are the Salt of the Earth* 226

SENDING

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Toccata in A Minor* Brixe

^Scifres, Mary J. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2017*. (Abingdon Press, Nashville.) 2016. Pg. 157. Adapted.

^^HawkerSelf, Katherine from her website <http://liturgyoutside.net/>, adapted and used with permission.

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.

The flowers in the worship center are given to the glory and honor of God: by Holly Mele in celebration of William Wolford's birthday; and by Janice and Larry Booz, and Janice's sister and brother-in-law Celia and Mike Weiss of Elkhart, Indiana, in honor of the 79th wedding anniversary of Vernon and Angela Stinebaugh who were married on August 16, 1942.

MATTHEW 18 WORKSHOP

Saturday, September 11 - - 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Where two or more are gathered...there will be conflict. But we are also promised that Christ is with us. Matthew 18 is an important scripture in teaching us how to handle this inevitable conflict. This workshop, created by On Earth Peace and inspired by Matthew 18, provides resources for how to deal with and navigate conflict in healthy ways. It's a little like taking your vitamins - you build up your health now so that when you do get sick, you have the proper resources to work through it.

This engaging workshop looks in depth at this beloved, but challenging, Scripture, and includes time for conversation and small group activities. The event is FREE, but a freewill offering will be collected to cover lunch expenses. Everyone is welcome – please share this invitation with your friends. **RSVP by calling or emailing the church office so that we have plenty of seats, handouts, and food!** See Pastor Angela with any questions. Hope to see you there!

Prayer Ministry

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

Please keep the following persons in your prayers:

- Chuck Few, Henry Renn, Jim Zeiters, John and Julie Ament.
- Mary Finkbiner's surgery and rehabilitation.
- Kelli O'Hara, George and Janet Schwert's daughter; Ann, Lyn Brubaker's sister; Ryan Weber, Rick & Linda Weber's son; Dale Gebhard, Sherri Barto's father; and Jim Long who are all undergoing cancer treatment.
- Terry Few's brother-in-law Rod and his wife Susie.
- Jerry Bushong's sister, Sara Hollinger, and her family.
- Joe Kirchner, husband of a friend of Holly Mele's.
- Lyn Landis' peace as she awaits doctor visits and results.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for the Myerstown COB. The Hatfield COB, is praying for us.
- Pray for protection and safety for Rebecca and Samuel Dali and their family who are in Nigeria.

Thank you so much for the cards and messages we received following mothers' death. She would have been so pleased to know of the love and support you have shown us. Blessings, John, Louise, Mike and Shannon Graham

Thank you for all the kind words and cards following my Dads passing. - Betsy and Art Thomas

Thank you for all your prayers and cards. Butch's surgery went well and he is doing good! - Judy and Butch Shenk

I want to thank the congregation for all the cards, well wishes & prayers on my behalf. They are very appreciated as I now begin recovery at home & contemplate rehab. Connie appreciates them as well. In Christ, Henry Renn

The COLUMBIA FOOD BANK receives our **August Food Cart and monetary donations**. Please remember, no outdated / glass items or non-perishables, i.e. bread, rolls, etc. Thank you!

NEW COMMUNITY PROJECT MILLION TREE CAMPAIGN

Trees are an important part of the ecosystem, providing clean air, a habitat for birds and animals, and erosion control (among other benefits). Since Earth Day 2019, there's been a campaign to plant 1 Million Trees across the globe. \$1 buys 10 trees - but in August, an anonymous donor will double that amount...\$1 buys 20 trees!

During the month of August, you will see a tree in the narthex. For each \$5 donated, we'll place a leaf on the tree to demonstrate the abundance of our multiplied gifts. If you'd like to take part, simply use a green envelope in the pews and mark your gift "trees," or you can write "trees" on the memo line of your check and place in the plate at the rear of the sanctuary. This giving opportunity will be available all month. Celebrate as we watch our tree "come to life."

EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP

Would you like to know more about the Church of the Brethren globally, and Mountville Church of the Brethren specifically? Since 1708, Brethren have had a unique way of engaging with God and neighbor, and a rich history of service to each other, and to the world! Pastor Angela is arranging times for conversation - please be in touch with her if you'd like to learn more. Dates will be set based on interested persons' schedules. This is a no pressure opportunity to expand your knowledge.

ORDER YOUR ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

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STATISTICS for August 8, 2021

Received for General Fund	\$5,802.00
DESIGNATED FUNDS	
K. VanderHeijden Justice Fund	300.00
Global Food Initiative	200.00
Kits	278.00
Food Bank	50.00
New Community Project "Trees"	245.00
Camp Swatara	5.00

Worship: 80

THIS WEEK

- Today: All Church Pizza Party following Church, Fellowship Hall
12:30 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
Mon: 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
Tues: 9:00 a.m. – Hempfield Music Class, Rm. 122, 123, 124
6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102
Wed: 7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer Men's Group, Rm. 102
Thurs: 8:00 a.m. – Hempfield Music Class, Rm. 123
7:00 p.m. – Leadership Team, Rm. 101

Next Sunday, August 22, 2021

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

Pastor Angela will preach "Flourish" from Psalm 92. Worship Leaders are Alexander, McKenna, and William Wolford. Bill Kepner will provide special music.

OFFICE HOURS

Jackie Sands is in the office Tuesday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and Fridays 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. during the summer.

The church office is closed on Mondays during the summer. For pastoral needs, please email or call Pastor Angela at angelafinet50@gmail.com or (571) 228-1108.

Pastor Angela will not be in the office August 17-18 as she helps her son move to college. Please call a Deacon if you have a need.