

Mountville Church of the Brethren



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October 3, 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 *Vater unser im Himmelweik*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said: I give you a new commandment,
that you love one another.

**All: Just as I have loved you,
you also should love one another.**

Today we remember

**All: how Christ the Lamb of God
gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.**

Today we remember

**All: How Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet,
saying we should do to others as he has done to us.**

Today we remember and partake of this holy feast,

**All: that we who eat this bread and drink this cup might be
renewed in spirit, fellowship, and love.**

*HYMN

Come, let us all unite to sing

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*INVOCATION

EXAMINATION AND CONFESSION

SCRIPTURE Paraphrase of Matthew 5:23-24

SILENT MEDITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
CHORAL RESPONSE *Create in Me a Clean Heart* arr. Mark Hayes
ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

WASHING FEET

SCRIPTURE Paraphrase of John 13:1-17
HYMN *Will You Let me be your Servant* 307
INVITATION TO OBSERVE FOOTWASHING
SOLOIST *Jesus took a towel*

THE FELLOWSHIP MEAL

SCRIPTURE Paraphrase of Luke 22:14-18
INVITATION TO GIVE
OFFERTORY *Gift of Finest Wheat* arr. Callahan
*DOXOLOGY
*PRAYER OF BLESSING

COMMUNION

HYMN *Seed, Scattered and Sown* 454
SCRIPTURE Paraphrase of 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
CHOIR ANTHEM *Come Share God's Gift*
SERVICE OF COMMUNION

THE BREAD

The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ.

THE CUP

The cup which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ.

SENDING

CLOSING WORDS
*HYMN *Move in our Midst* 418
*BENEDICTION
CHIMES
POSTLUDE *Rondeau*

In God's Service Today

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Pastor Angela Finet
Music Director John Hess
Organist Gloria Hess
Worship Leader Phyllis Kepner
Special Music Soloist Bill Kepner
 Quartet Ginny Hart, Bob Huber, Kathy Long, Don Wagner
Ushers Cindy Heisey, Bob Keller, John Musser, Tom Musser
Children's Ministry Joyce Kerns, Alexa Taylor
Nursery Joan Boshnaugle
Greeters Bob & Heidi Keller, Sarah & Catherine Repkoe
Prayer Chain Mary Finkbiner, 717-581-5767
 Linda Bushong, 717-898-3330
Security Pete Musser
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The flowers in the worship center given to the glory and honor of God by Holly Mele in memory of Joe and in honor of my grandchildren's first Communion.

NEWS FROM STITCH 'N SEW 'N SHARE

Thanks to all for helping us fill our coin jar for the ANE District Relief sale. We filled our first jar; so we started a second, and guess what, we filled that one also! All of us helped to fill: a quart jar of coins; a \$5 bill from Joan Pontius before she passed away; rolls of pennies from Jerry Bushong; small coins from children; baggies of coins from lots of you; rolled pennies and dollars from Joel Musser; coins from many cup holders of our cars and trucks and so it goes! There was 60 lbs. of money that we took to the auction to be counted. A statement was given to us for Mountville COB for \$756.30! Thanks again for all your help!

SCRIPTURE CHAT

We continue to meet each Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in room 102 or via Zoom to read together the scripture for the following Sunday's sermon. All are welcome to attend anytime. Bring your Bible, or one can be provided for you.

Prayer Ministry

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

Please keep the following persons in your prayers:

- Jim Allshouse, Kirsten Hart, Mary Finkbiner, Chuck Few, Henry Renn, Jim Zeiters, John and Julie Ament, Katrina Hanks, Dottie Light, and Lynn Landis.
- Kelli O'Hara, George and Janet Schwert's daughter; Kevin, Sue Hess' brother-in-law; Ann, Lyn Brubaker's sister; 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 Hollsinger, and her family.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for the Hempfield COB. Schuylkill COB, Pine Grove, is praying for us.
- Pray for those dealing with so much loss in Haiti and those in the aftermath of Ida.
- Pray for the evolving situation in Afghanistan.

Thank you to our caring church family for all the cards and good wishes as we celebrated our 66th anniversary. Ray and Mary Finkbiner

WELCOME TO MY HOME

In my time here, so many of you have extended hospitality to me and made me feel most welcome! Thank you!

It is my turn to joyfully reciprocate, although the continuing evolution of COVID makes planning a larger gathering a little uncertain. For now, these are the plans. Please stop by my home in the Mount Wolf area on Saturday, October 16, anytime between 2:00-5:00 p.m., weather permitting.

I will have lots of outdoor seating for comfortably snacking and visiting. Hopefully, the many trees that surround my home should be in full, glorious color that weekend. I am eager to welcome you inside as well, but simply ask that we all wear masks while inside as the rooms are on the small side, and we want to care for one another.

LABYRINTH PRAYER WALK: Sunday, October 17 11:15 a.m.

All are welcome to attend an introduction to using the labyrinth as a meditative prayer walk. Labyrinths have existed for over 4000 years, and are a geometric form that defines sacred space.

During this free workshop, we will be using a large canvas labyrinth in the fellowship hall, so the walk will comfortably take place rain or shine. Commit this time to renew and deepen your Spiritual life.

WAVE OF LIGHT SERVICE: Friday, October 15 6:45 p.m.

Mountville Church of the Brethren is hosting this reflective service of remembrance which provides comfort to those grieving pregnancy and infant loss. This service is part of a world-wide effort to bring awareness, remembrance, and hope to the 1 in 4 women whose pregnancy ends in loss.

On October 15, people all over the world will light a candle at 7:00 p.m. local time, causing a glow of light for the entire day world-wide to remember those who were never born, born still, or only lived for a moment, and to bring comfort to their families.

Everyone is welcome. Childcare for infants through age 3 will be provided. Masks recommended. Please contact the church at 717-285-5122 or office@mountvillecob.org with questions.

GLOBAL FOOD INITIATIVE

First Sunday offerings for Global Food Initiative will be received today. You are welcome to write a check marked "GFI" in the memo. GFI provides resources that help people struggling with hunger to become more food secure. Learn more at brethren.org/gfi. Thank you!

Pastor Angela will be out of the office Monday, October 4 – Sunday, October 10. For pastoral care needs, please contact a deacon or Nancy Hess.

YOU ARE INVITED to join Brethren Housing Association (BHA) for our Annual Celebration on Thursday, October 7, 2021, at the Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey Hotel: 4650 Lindle Rd., Harrisburg, PA 17111. Doors open at 5:30 pm and dinner starts at 6:00 pm. There are many pieces that come together to make BHA special, and we are excited to celebrate them all - including YOU! All money raised at the Annual Celebration will help provide a safe home for families experiencing homelessness. Tickets are \$45/person. Tables and sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, contact Jessica Vinton at events@bha-pa.org or 717-903-9530. Visit bha-pa.org for event details and to order your tickets.

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

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.

CONGREGATIONAL FORUM

Sunday, October 31, 2021

Fellowship Meal immediately following church.

Forum will be held after lunch.

STATISTICS for September 26, 2021

Received for General Fund\$4,483.00

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Cemetery / Memorial Garden400.00

Sunday School: 30 Worship: 85

THIS WEEK

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

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

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

7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102

Wed: 7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer Men's Group, Rm. 102

Thurs: 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rms. 101,102

6:30 p.m. – Girl Scouts, Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday, October 10, 2021

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 joins the Adult Class in the Fellowship Hall.

• Adults, please join us in the fellowship hall for our **Compelling Vision for the Church of the Brethren** series. Seating will be

according to the CDC Guidelines. Masks are recommended. We will continue to make the online option available through Zoom using the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9102712038?pwd=UG5YUGo5TzJQVC83Z3dZYURueDNmdz09>.

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

Next Sunday, guest preacher, Rev. Lisa Krieg will preach on Luke 17:11-19. Nancy Hess will be our Worship Leader. Special music will be provided by Sarah Repkoe on piano.

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.