

Mountville Church of the Brethren



January 2, 2022

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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**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

Air

Muffat

*OPENING PRAYER^

Leader: O star-flinging God, whose light dances across eternity,
dazzle us into your presence this new year.

All: Open our hearts to the mystery of your love.
Awaken us to your presence, knit to the ordinary.

Leader: Reveal to us what is possible, but not present.
Heal us, that we might be healers.

All: Reconcile us to you and to ourselves
that our living might be reconciling.

Leader: Stop us often, we pray, with news that is good, with hope that
holds, with truth that transforms with a Word tailored to this
trail we're on.

All: May the wonder of your grace guide our steps like the sun by
day and the north star by night, as we travel into the gift of
another year. Amen.

*HYMN

We Are People of God's Peace

407

INVOCATION^^

COMMUNICATING WITH GOD

SCRIPTURE John 17:20-23 NT 111

HYMN Healer of Our Every Ill 377

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, you are in heaven. Hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread

and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And do not lead us into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom and the power and the glory belong to you forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC Go Tell it on the Mountain arr. Hal Leonard

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO GIVE^^

OFFERTORY Diapson Anonymous

*HYMN Grant Us, Lord, the Grace of Giving 388

OFFERTORY PRAYER^^

PROCLAIMING

SERMON How Much Unity Can We Handle? David Sollenberger

*HYMN Heart with Loving Heart United 420

SENDING

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Trumpet Tune arr. Biggs

^Mitchell, Glenn. Hymnal Supplement. Elgin: Brethren Press, 2003. 1146, modified.

^^Hess, Nancy H.

^^Rainsley, Glen. Hear Our Prayer. Cleveland: The Pilgrim Press, 1996. 173, modified.

In God’s Service Today

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Pastor Angela Finet
Guest Preacher David Sollenberger
Music Director John Hess
Organist Gloria Hess
Worship Leader Forrest Collier
Special Music Trumpet John Hess
Acolyte Children’s Sunday School
Ushers Joel Musser, John Musser, Tom Musser, Daryl Strine
Children’s Ministry Family Worship
Nursery
Greeters Bob & Heidi Keller
Prayer Chain Mary Finkbiner, 717-581-5767
Linda Bushong, 717-898-3330
Security John Musser
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Today we welcome 2022 Church of the Brethren Annual Conference Moderator David Sollenberger as our guest speaker. Dave is perhaps best known for his extensive video work. After a 12-year career in radio and television news reporting, he began freelance video production in 1987, focusing primarily on Brethren-related events and ministries. Until being called as moderator-elect, he had created the wrap-up video for every Annual Conference since 1989, and he has covered every National Youth Conference since 1986. He has traveled extensively to cover Brethren mission and service work. More recently he has gained notoriety as a member of the humorous NOAC News Team at National Older Adult Conferences. Dave grew up in Lebanon County and is a member of the Mt. Wilson congregation. He and his wife, Mary, split their time between their home near Annville and North Manchester, Indiana.

Thank you to **everyone** who helped with the Hershey Mill Christmas Party! The residents enjoyed and appreciated every minute of it!
– Marian Bollinger

Prayer Ministry Updates

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

Please add the following people to your prayer list:

- Continue to keep George and Janet Schwert and Lynn Landis in your prayers.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for the Church of the Brethren Denominational Offices.

WORSHIP THEME FOR 2022

Each Sunday, from January 9 – February 20, will explore the *Acts of Discipleship*, based on the formation of the new church described in the book of Acts. Make it a priority to join us, in person or online, as part of your act of discipleship.

PASTORAL CARE

The Church Office reopens tomorrow. If you have a prayer request please call Linda Bushong or Mary Finkbiner, or Nancy Hess. Please call one of our Deacons if you have an emergency. Thank you.

FELLOWSHIP HALL WORSHIP OPTION

Our tech crew streams our worship service to the fellowship hall each week and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future. So, if you'd enjoy a little more space in worship, feel free to use the fellowship hall.

GREETERS NEEDED FOR 2022

Please contact Janet Schwert if you would like to continue being a greeter, if you would like begin greeting Sunday mornings, or if you would like to be removed from the greeter's list. Your presence is most welcome on Sunday mornings!

2022 CHURCH DIRECTORY INFO NEEDED TODAY

Please take a moment to look over your 2021 church directory to see if your information is correct. If it is not, please call or email the church office with your new information or anything you would like added, i.e. email address or cell phone number. Thank you.

The 2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES are in your church mailbox. Any member or non-member that would like them and doesn't currently receive them, please contact Linda Weber.

The FOOD PANTRY OF LANDISVILLE receives our **January Food Cart and monetary donations**. Please remember no outdated, glass items or perishables, i.e. bread, rolls, etc. Thank you!

STATISTICS for December 26 and January 2 will be
in the January 9, 2022 bulletin.

THIS WEEK

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

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

Tues: 12:30 p.m. – Behavioral Healthcare, Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. - Scripture Chat, Room. 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, January 9, 2022

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.

- Adults and Youth, please join us in the fellowship hall where we will continue a three session examination of the core themes of the Advent Devotional as they relate to our fears in times of anxiety and darkness and the presence and peace of God as we find it in scripture and witness its powerful essence. 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.

Pastor Angela will share “Now What Do We Do?” from Acts 1:1-11.

Special music will be provided. Joe Buohl will lead worship.

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.