

KIDS AND ADULTS – NO NEED TO BUY BOOKS FOR YOUR FAITH JOURNEY. ADOPT THEM RIGHT HERE!

The two Narthex display cases that, in May, featured the stained glass work of Charlie Worrall, are this June, home to many samplings of the marvelous additions in our lower level library just down the hall from the Church Office. In June, the glass doors of the display cases will be open and conveniently ready on Sundays to lend the books you see.

Some of the books are for children to introduce youngsters to the world of faith in God through Jesus' teachings and life's example- Books like *Maybe God Is Like That Too* or *God's Paintbrush*. Kids' volumes are in the case marked "Children's Book Checkout". Adult books are in the case marked "Adult Book Checkout"- Books like "*All One Body-Why Don't We Agree?*" or "Credo" (a national best seller by noted preacher and social-justice advocate William Sloane Coffin) or one congregation's answers to their faith questions "*A Dunker Guide to Brethren Beliefs*". You can check the books out easily before or after Sunday worship because a staffed checkout table will be there to assist you.

Remember the motto of this display- "Book On The Bright Side". This is a fun and easy way to renew your relationship with books that matter- all done right here at MCOB.

ONLINE GIVING AND PEW CARDS

Part of faithful worship is responding to God's goodness and generosity. If you are making your offering online or through some other means, you are still invited to physically participate in this symbol of commitment. Simply place one of the pew cards in the plate as a reminder of your faithful stewardship and love for Christ and neighbor.

Purpose Statement

In joyful community, we follow Jesus to embody God's love with all our neighbors.

Mountville Church of the Brethren

Viviendo el amor de Dios
Viv Lanmou Bondye A
Rayuwan Kaunar Allah
Living God's Love

Ephesians 5:1-2

Languages: Spanish, Creole, Hausa, English

June 4, 2023

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.*

June 4, 2023 10:15 a.m.

**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 *Prelude* Rheomberger

*CALL TO WORSHIP[^]

Come into the land of God.

We come seeking the land of love.

Live as the people of Christ.

We gather to grow as a community of love.

Follow in the ways of Jesus.

We move forward on the path of love.

Come, young and old, friend and stranger, for all are welcome here.

We come to love and grow in the love of Christ.

*HYMN *Come, we that love the Lord* 14

*INVOCATION[^]

RECEIVING

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 12:28-34 NT 49

SPECIAL MUSIC *Reach Out to Your Neighbor* Copeland

*Children from 4 years through 5th grade are invited
to worship downstairs.*

CONSECRATION OF THE PRAYER BOX

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

RESPONDING

HYMN *Praise, I will praise you, Lord* 76

INVITATION TO GIVE^{^^}

OFFERTORY *Moderato* Renner

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom* 119 (v.2)

*PRAYER OF BLESSING

PROCLAIMING

SERMON *Bearing the Fruit of God's Love* Rev. Angela Finet

PARTING

*HYMN *Help us to help each other* 362

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Toccata in C* Seixas

[^]Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2021*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN, 2020). Pg. 233. Adapted.

^{^^}Huey, Rev. Kathryn Matthews. *Worship Ways*. (United Church of Christ publishing. Cleveland, OH, 2008). Vol 7, No. 3. Used with permission.

STATISTICS for May 28, 2023

Received for General Fund\$ 3,960.10

DESIGNATED FUND

Kits5.00
Food Bank.....200.00
Misc. Designated: Lawn & Garden20.00

Worship: 135

THIS WEEK

Today: 11:30 a.m. – Dinner and a Show, Fellowship Hall
12:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
Mon: 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
Tues: 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rms. 100, 101, Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. - Scripture Chat, Rm. 102
Wed: 7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 101
Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs
6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 102
7:00 p.m. – Leadership Team, Rm. 101

Next Sunday, June 11, 2023

Summer Children’s Worship

Children meet in room 124 at 10:00 a.m. See announcement for more details.

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

Next Sunday Pastor Angela shares from Luke 10:25-37 “Responding in Love to the Needs of Others”. Harold Ulmer is the worship leader and special music will be provided.

FRIDAYS ARE PASTOR ANGELA’S SABBATH

Friday’s prayer concerns should be directed to deacons Cathy Funderwhite and Karen Strine. If you want to leave a non-urgent message for Pastor Angela on Fridays or any day after 9:00 p.m., please send an email rather than a text. She keeps her phone on 24/7 for emergencies.

Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

In God’s Service Today

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Pastor Rev. Angela Finet
Music Director John Hess
Organist Gloria Hess
Worship Leader Holly Mele
Acolyte Sophia Hart
Special Music Dianna Zimmerman
Ushers Cindy Heisey, Beth Hess, Lynn Landis, Lois Silver
Children’s Ministry Joyce Kerns, Ginny Hart
Nursery Joan Boshnaugle
Greeters Bob & Heidi Keller, Forrest Collier, Connie Renn
Prayer Chain Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security Harry Light
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John and Gloria Hess give the flowers in the worship center to the honor and glory of God and in appreciation of the Chancel Choir.

To my church family, I’m very grateful for all of your thoughts and prayers during my recent surgery. Thank you for the many cards, texts, calls, and visits. I am blessed with good results and healing well. God is good! - Sue Beiler

Thank you so much for all the cards I received for my birthday. They were very much appreciated. – Ruth Boshnaugle

DINNER & A SHOW

All are invited to stay for a “Dinner and a Show” and enjoy Mr. B’s steak sandwiches after church today.

SUMMER CHILDREN’S WORSHIP

Beginning today, the children will gather downstairs in the children’s room at 10:00 a.m. At 10:10, we will go up to the sanctuary to worship with our church family. The children may join us at 10:00 a.m. downstairs or if it is more convenient, they may join us in the front pew in the sanctuary at the beginning of worship or join us as we are returning downstairs to continue our children’s worship time together. We look forward to a summer of rest and reflection as we continue to gather together to praise our God.

Prayer Ministry Update

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

Please add the following people to your prayer list:

- Continue to pray for Sue Beiler, Lloyd Finkbiner, John Graham, Jim Long, Dottie Light, Wendy, the Fitze family and Nick Cyr.
- Continue to pray for our congregation as we discern together Core Values, and how they undergird our mission and ministry. Pray that all we do is for love of God and neighbors.
- Pray for all who are grieving violence. Christ have mercy.
- Please pray for Joe Buohl as he discerns his call to ministry.
- Please pray for peace to prevail in Ukraine, Nigeria, Haiti, Sudan, and around the world.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for Alpha & Omega. Conewago COB is praying for us.

FAMILY MINI GOLF OUTING FOR ALL AGES

The Education Ministry Team is planning a family Mini Golf Outing for our church family and friends at the High Sports Family Fun Center located at 727 Furnace Hills Pike in Lititz on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. All ages are welcome! Please sign up on the sheet across from the church mailboxes. See Regina Schulz with questions.

SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR STITCH 'N SEW 'N SHARE

The fabric arts ministry of MCOB, Stitch 'n Sew 'n Share, will not meet during the months of June, July and August. We have completed several projects and are now planning for 2023-2024. Knitting, crocheting, stitching bags for Church World Service, knotting fleece blankets - all were part of this year's ministry. Our circle of friends has plenty of room for growth. Consider joining us when we meet again in September.

SCRIPTURE CHAT

We will gather by Zoom and in room 102 each Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. for Scripture Chat. This week's scripture is Luke 10:25-37. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE SPECIAL MOMENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH.

Today: 11:15 a.m.: Talent Show and Meal

June 21, 7:00 p.m.: Mini Golf Outing

June 30-July10: COB Annual Conference, Cincinnati, OH

CHILDREN SINGING JUNE 18

The children will be singing during our 10:15 a.m. worship service on June 18, 2023. We will be practicing Sunday mornings, June 4 & 11, at 10:00 a.m. in room 124. All children through 5th grade are welcome to participate.

HOT DOG TIME IS HERE!

During the month of June, we will again collect hot dogs for the Columbia Food Bank. This project started many years ago by the youth group and seems to be a popular outreach for our church. We have given many hundreds of pounds of hot dogs to provide extra help during the summer when school lunches are not served. Kids still need to eat!

Please place 1 pound packages of hot dogs in the freezer or fridge, marked "Hot Dog Project" in the kitchen during the month of June. You may also give a check marked "hot dogs" in the memo line. We will deliver them to the food bank the first week of July.

"Thank you" in advance for your continued support of this much needed outreach event. See Janet Schwert with questions.

BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER

The junior high students from Un Nuevo Renacer will be selling delicious baked goods after church on **Sunday, June 11**. Proceeds will help fund their trip to the Church of the Brethren Junior High Conference on June 18. Yum!

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Columbia Food Bank receives our June Food Cart items, located in the lower entrance by the elevator, and monetary donations. Please remember no perishables, glass, or outdated items