

SUMMER CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

The children 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.

Mountville Church of the Brethren



July 9, 2023

Worship 10:15 a.m.

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Purpose Statement

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

MOUNTVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN



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

July 9, 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 *Religioso* Jonger

*CALL TO WORSHIP[^]

God, let this be a fruitful day!

In this hour of worship, open our eyes to beauty, tune our ears to harmony.

Open us to receive the fragrance of God's love, permeating every moment, so that we may know the essence of Jesus' ministry among us.

May the touch of God's hand guide us in all that we do.

Together, we want to taste with delight the joy of God alive in us and through us. Let us gather in worship!

*HYMN *Morning has broken* 648

*INVOCATION

RECEIVING

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 12:30-31 NT 49

SPECIAL MUSIC *Even Darkness Must Pass* Iain Mundy

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER^{^^}

Worship Leader: Loving God,

People: Bless the work of our hands; bless our handiwork.

HYMN *How clear is our vocation, Lord* 541

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO GIVE^{^^}

OFFERTORY *Offertoire* Maleingreau

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

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^{^^}

PROCLAIMING

SERMON *Lend me a Hand* Jan Glass King

PARTING

*HYMN *Take my life* v. 1,2,3,6 389

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals* Karg-Elert

^King, Jan Glass.

^^Spaulding, Randall, [et.al.](#) *Sing the Story Hymnal: A Worship Book – Supplement 2.* (Faith & Life Resources/Mennonite Publishing Network: Scottsdale, PA, 2007) Pg 157. The Congregational Prayer, Invitation to Give, and Prayer of Blessing were inspired by this prayer by Randall Spaulding. Like a quilter, I pieced together blocks using fabric from his prayer and some fabric of my own (courtesy of the Holy Spirit). I stitched them all together to create these prayers.

Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

STATISTICS for July 2, 2023

Received for General Fund\$ 6,965.00
Room Use: UNR.....300.00
DESIGNATED FUND
Sunday Flowers.....80.00
Global Food Initiative.....20.00

Worship: 80

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, Fellowship Hall, Rms. 100, 101
7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102 & Zoom
Wed: 10:00 a.m. – Loss Support Group, Hospitality Room
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 101
Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs
6:00 p.m. – Movie Night, Rm. 102
6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 101

Next Sunday, July 16, 2023

Summer Children’s Worship

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

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

Next Sunday Pastor Angela shares “These Lives are Precious” from Psalm 72. Michael Graham is the worship leader and special music will be provided by Wendy Allshouse.

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.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Jackie is in the church office Tuesdays-Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and Fridays 8:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. Please call Pastor Angela on her cell on Mondays if there is a need.

In God’s Service Today

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Pastor Rev. Angela Finet
Guest Preacher Jan Glass King
Music Director John Hess
Pianist Sarah Repkoe
Worship Leader Gina Bautista
Acolyte
Special Music Euphonium Duet Aaron Booz, Chuck Few
Ushers Wendy Allshouse, Bob Keller, Joel Musser, Daryl Strine
Nursery Becky Fuchs
Children’s Church Betsy Thomas, Connie Renn
Greeters Phyllis Kepner, Sara Wagner, Harold & Janice Ulmer
Prayer Chain Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security John Musser
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Janet Schwert gives the flowers in the worship center to the glory and honor of God and in celebration of George’s 82nd birthday.

We welcome Jan Glass King to our congregation as our guest preacher this morning. Jan is recently retired after serving in pastoral ministry for 13 years. Jan’s passion is helping others discover ways of expressing faith through the arts and is equally invested in responding to the modern issues of indigenous people, particularly the Navajo. Jan and Scott are actively involved with their five grandchildren and consider their family to be an unsurpassed blessing.

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 Psalm 72. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible.

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 George Schwert, 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 New Beginnings, Manheim. Light of the Gospel Fellowship Staten Island is praying for us.

MOVIE AND DISCUSSION

On Thursday evening, July 13, we will enjoy a new opportunity for fellowship and growth. We will come together in room 102 at 6:00 p.m. to view the movie, “The Visitor” starring Richard Jenkins. We will follow up with discussion of how the story reminds and encourages us to be “Jesus in the Neighborhood”. This event is geared for teens and adults. Please sign-up on the bulletin board across from the mailboxes. Snacks will be provided. We look forward to having you join us for our first movie and discussion. Hopefully we will share other films and topics as time goes on. Any questions, please contact Dave and Beth Serfass or Harold and Janice Ulmer.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

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

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

July 13, 6:00 p.m.: Movie and Discussion, Rm. 102

July 23, 11:15 a.m.: Assemble School Kits, Fellowship Hall

August 20, 11:15 a.m.: Blessings of the Students/Teachers. Pizza Party

JULY OUTREACH

We are planning to assemble 300 school kits and 20 clean-up buckets in July. If you have never helped with the buckets and would like to donate supplies, please contact Marian, _____, about how you can help. The date for assembly of school kits is July 23 after worship. Please plan to stay for a few minutes to help.

ATLANTIC NORTHEAST DISTRICT WOMEN’S CAMP at Camp Swatara is August 18-19. Pastor Kim Ream will lead us with the theme *Taste and See* from Psalm 34:8. Registration opens June 22 and closes Aug. 6. Come join us for fun, inspiration, crafts, hiking, etc.! See Cathy Funderwhite for details.

A NARTHEN DISPLAY OF LOVING EVERY STITCH

The two Narthex display cases, that in June featured children and adult books to check out from our own lower level library, have a new display that will run the month of July. Here are a few clue phrases hinting at the new display’s content:

- I play with yarn
- Yarn Ain’t just for kittens
- Will knit for food

Good guess! Knitted items by one of our own! The artful, creative knitting skills of Lois Silver over the years fill our two display cases. They feature her sweaters, adult and children’s (winter) caps, scarves, blankets and even a stuffed knitted pet friend (here a cuddly teddy bear). Lois’ work, like that of other avid knitters, also tells the subtle story of the strong interpersonal bonds she has with other knitters, plus the loving links to those who receive these knitted gifts of love. The Stitch, Sew & Share group at MCOB is the perfect example of building a community within a community which reflects God’s light in the world. Interested in learning more? Contact Lois at home (717 285-1898) or catch her at church.