

### BUSY BUILDING !!!

We are a busy congregation. That means that our building is busy, too. It also means that we all need to follow our **room reservation procedures** to be sure the space we need is available at the time we want. It's easy.

Here's what to do:

1. Contact Jackie in the church office to see if the space is available when you need it. (If your first choice isn't available, search for alternatives with Jackie.)
2. If it is, make arrangements with Jackie to put the Room Reservation form in your church mailbox, or to pick it up at the office.
3. Complete and return the form to the church office.
4. Jackie will make the entry in the church calendar and confirm your reservation. (It's not confirmed until you hear from Jackie.)

Thanks for your help. This will assure that our congregation and our building stay happy and busy.

- Forrest Collier, Leadership Team Chair

# Mountville Church of the Brethren



August 6, 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.*

August 6, 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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>^</sup>

For God alone our souls wait in silence.

**In God alone do our spirits find peace.**

For God alone is our rock and our salvation.

**In God alone does our faith remain unshaken.**

Pour out your hearts before God,

**for God is our refuge and our strength.**

Put your trust in God.

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

\*HYMN *O God, in restless living* 557

\*INVOCATION<sup>^^</sup>

## RECEIVING

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 62:5-12 OT 562

RESPONSIVE CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

We call to you,

***For You alone my soul waits in silence.***

MUSICAL RESPONSE TO PRAYER *Gymnopédie No. 3* Satie

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

## RESPONDING

HYMN *A wonderful Savior is Jesus* 598

INVITATION TO GIVE<sup>^^^</sup>

OFFERTORY

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

\*PRAYER OF BLESSING<sup>^</sup>

## PROCLAIMING

SERMON *In God Alone* Rev. Angela Finet

## PARTING

\*HYMN *How firm a foundation* 567

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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<sup>^</sup>Beu, B.J. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2021*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN, 2020). Pg 21.

<sup>^^</sup>McFee, Dr. Marcia. *God is Holding your Life*. (Worship Design Studio: Kansas City, MO, 2021).

<sup>^^^</sup>Huey, Rev. Kathryn Matthews. *Worship Ways*. (United Church of Christ publishing. Cleveland, OH, 2008). Vol 7, No. 3. Adapted..

**Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.**

STATISTICS for July 30, 2023

Received for General Fund .....\$ 5,255.00

DESIGNATED FUND

Building Maintenance.....20.00  
Kits.....75.00  
Food Bank .....20.00

Worship: 75

**THIS WEEK**

Today: 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, Fellowship Hall, Rms. 100, 101  
7:00 p.m. - Scripture Chat, Rm. 102 & Zoom  
Wed: 10:00 a.m. – Loss Support Group, Hospitality Room  
6:30 p.m. – Outreach Ministry Team, Lower Narthex  
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 102  
Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs  
6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 102  
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Men’s mtg., Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer Prayer Vigil, Sanctuary  
Sat: 10:00 a.m. – UNR Young Adult Conference, F. Hall / Kitchen  
6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary

**Next Sunday, August 13, 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 “Whole Heart Hallelujah” from Psalm 111. Joel Musser is the worship leader and Cindy Dale provides special music.

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.

*In God’s Service Today*

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Pastor Rev. Angela Finet  
Music Director John Hess  
Worship Leader Kathy Long  
Organ Gloria Hess  
Piano Sarah Repkoe  
Special Music Flute Angela Finet  
Ushers Norman Bollinger, Jerry Bushong, Bob Keller, Barry Lauver  
Children’s Ministry Margie Musser, Beth Hess  
Nursery Betsy Thomas  
Greeters Bob & Heidi Keller, Beth Hess, Walt VanderHeijden  
Prayer Chain Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine  
Security Harry Light  
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The flowers in the worship center are given to the glory and honor of God.

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

BRETHREN BELIEFS CLASS

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! Join Pastor Angela for conversation around these topics as well as the history and structure of the Mountville congregation on Saturday, September 16 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 in the fellowship hall. This is a no pressure opportunity to expand your knowledge. Please RSVP to Angela so she can prepare enough materials. We will be receiving new members into our family of faith on September 24.

## 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, 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 Brooklyn First. Paxton COB, Harrisburg, is praying for us.

### 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.

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

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

### CLEAN UP BUCKETS

Your response to the need for insect repellent was amazing. We now have more than enough and with extra on the shelf for the next time that we do buckets. Thank you for responding quickly to this need. Remember that if you don't want to shop for supplies, you may place your donation in an envelope clearly labeled for kits in the offering plate. You may do this ANY SUNDAY and it will be used for kits or buckets as needed. Be sure to specify for kits on the envelope. Questions? Ask Marian. [mmbollinger@verizon.net](mailto:mmbollinger@verizon.net) or 717-299-0304.

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

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

August 27, 11:15 a.m.: Joe Buohl's Commission Service

September 16, 9:00 a.m.: Brethren Beliefs Class

September 24, 11:15 a.m.: Receiving New Members / Reception

### **Are YOU looking for something to read to a child?**

Our church library is a resource for you.

*First*, reading to young folks has many benefits. Giving a child time and attention when reading them a story tells them they matter. It also builds self-esteem, feeds their imagination and adds to their vocabulary. Unlike watching TV, reading or being read to promotes a slower unfolding of ideas and events encouraging listening, paying attention and concentration. But there is more...

*When* the children's books come from our church library, you will know they are specially focused. On such as:

- They provide children the understanding that God loves them and will be their life's companion.
- Children come to realize that God knows how they are feeling as they confront life's experiences.
- They discover God's hand all around them- in flowers, and bugs, and puppies, in mom, dad, grandparents, in friends, by helping folks in need, by trying to do the right thing, and more.

What a joy learning that can be for both child and you, the reader!

Throughout August, the Narthex display cases are conveniently open sites before and after worship for borrowing children's books. So check out a book and ready yourself for a joyful time sharing stories with younger ones about the God that loves us all. Yes, everyone.