

# Mountville Church of the Brethren



**October 29, 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.*

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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 *Diapson Movement* arr. Greene

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

With friends and strangers, with family and neighbors, we gather:  
**Come among us, Healing God, with that love which never ends.**  
With faith reaching out to touch, with hearts straining to trust, we hope:

**Come among us, Friend of the broken, with your compassion which makes us whole.**

With word and wonder, with silence and song, we wait:  
**Open our ears to listen, open our hearts to love, lift our feet to follow you.**

\*HYMN<sup>+</sup> *There is Room in God's Great Welcome* Overhead  
To the tune of *Brethren, we have met to worship.*

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

## RECEIVING

SCRIPTURE Mark 5:25-34 NT 39

CHORAL ANTHEM *The Greatest Commandment* Choplin  
*Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.*

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

### RESPONDING

HYMN *Open our eyes, Lord* Overhead  
(sing twice)

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

OFFERTORY *Cornet Voluntary* Anonymous

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

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

### PROCLAIMING

SERMON *Extending Love* Rev. Angela Finet

### PARTING

\*HYMN *For the healing of the nations* 367

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Tocatta in C* Bach

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^Shuman, Thom. *Lectionary Liturgies*. <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/> Used with permission. Adapted.

^^McDaniel, Jay. *Prayers for a Thousand Years*. Published on <https://chriskoellhofferihm.org/2018/02/02/listening-as-an-act-of-love/> 2/2/2018. Adapted.

^^^Finet, Angela.

^^^^Linford, Kirsten. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2021*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN, 2020). Pg 148.

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

STATISTICS for October 22, 2023

Received for General Fund .....	\$ 4,726.00
DESIGNATED FUND	
Endowment .....	12,000.00
Memorial Fund.....	120.00
Global Food Initiative .....	100.00
Disaster Relief.....	100.00
Food Bank.....	120.00
Grounds Maintenance .....	20.00

Worship: 108 Sunday School: 27

**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. – NO Scripture Chat this week.  
 Wed: 1:00 p.m. – Stitch ‘n Sew ‘n Share, Rm. 106  
 7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 100, 102  
 7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir, Sanctuary  
 Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs  
 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 102  
 Fri: 6:30 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall  
 Sat: 10:00 a.m. – Dottie Light’s Celebration of Life Visitation  
 11:00 a.m. – Dottie Light’s Celebration of Life Service

**Next Sunday, November 5, 2023**

**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 Seekers Class in room 102.

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

Next Sunday Pastor Angela shares *Forming Connections* from Galatians 4:4-9. Bill Kepner is the worship leader; the Chancel Choir will sing. Please plan to stay for beef pot pie meal followed by Congregational Forum.

**In God’s Service Today**

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Pastor	Rev. Angela Finet
Music Director	John Hess
Worship Leader	Phyllis Kepner
Organ	Gloria Hess
Anthem	Chancel Choir
Acolyte	Eva & Autumn Priest
Ushers	Dave Fuchs, Cindy Heisey, Bob Keller, John Musser
Children’s Ministry	Betsy Thomas, Tess Wolford
Nursery	Connie Renn
Greeters	Bob & Heidi Keller, Glenn Bushong, Sara Wagner
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.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

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

SEEKERS CLASS

The Seekers Faith Formation class is for anyone from high school to age 100+. We meet Sundays in room 102, at 9:00 a.m. or by Zoom. We are continuing a four week study using the book “Luke and Acts: Turning the World Upside Down!” by Christina Bucher and Bob Neff.

CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP MEAL & FORUM

Sunday, November 5, 2023  
After Worship – All welcome!  
You do not need to be member to attend.

CONGREGATIONAL FORUM PACKETS are available on the narthex table. Remember to bring your packet back to Forum if you take one today!

## 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 Oliver, Harold, George, John, Jim, the Light family, Wendy Latty, the Fitze family, and Nick.
- Please pray for Joe as he begins his Chaplaincy internship.
- Pray for all who are grieving violence. Christ have mercy.
- Pray for the families of the victims of the mass shooting in Maine.
- Please pray for peace to prevail in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Nigeria, Niger, Haiti, Sudan, and around the world.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for Jennersville COB. Puerta Del Cielo, Reading is praying for us.

### PICTURE YOURSELF IN OUR NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

Our new church directory is coming soon and it will feature pictures and other great features, but we need your help!

**Please provide a family photo** in one of these three ways:

1. Email the church office ([office@mountvillecob.org](mailto:office@mountvillecob.org)) and send the picture as an attachment. Be sure to include the last name and first initial of everyone in the photo.
2. Give Jackie, our church secretary, an actual photo. She will scan it and return it to you.
3. Let Jackie know you'd like Harold Ulmer to take your photo.

### SCRIPTURE CHAT

There will be no Scripture Chat on Tuesday, October 31. In preparation for Sunday's worship please read Galatians 4:4-9.

### 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.

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

November 5, 11:14 a.m.: Congregational Forum / Meal

The Forum meal will be homemade Beef Pot Pie provided by the church. Please bring a salad, a dessert or a side to share at the meal.

December 3, 2:30 p.m.: Christmas Concert & Carol Sing with the Bainbridge Band

December 10, 4:30 p.m.: All Church Christmas Caroling & Refreshments

December 24, 7:00 p.m.: Candlelight Christmas Eve Service.

### OUTREACH UPDATE - ALWAYS NEEDED:

1. If you receive a free toothbrush from your dentist and it's individually wrapped and you don't plan to use it, please put it in my mailbox, #11 and we will use it in our hygiene kits. Remember that it must be individually wrapped.
2. Old lap tops and even ones that do not work. Alpha & Omega CoB Community Center in Lancaster refurbishes these and provides them for refugee families. Please give to Norman, and he will be glad to get them to A & O.

NEXT SUNDAY you will have the opportunity to sign up for food for the moms and children at Brethren Housing in Harrisburg for their Thanksgiving Dinners.

### FABRIC ARTS DISPLAY LINING THE HALLWAY

Are you wondering about the tables in the hallway piled high with beautiful handworks? Stitch Sew and Share has been stitching and sewing, and now sharing, what has been made to donate in service to others. Several hospitals and Hospice have requested items to give to patients and caregivers. What you see has been blessed and will be delivered in the next few weeks.

Before sending these off to needy beneficiaries, we wanted to share them with you. Please take a minute to see what our talented fabric artists have created out of a sense of love.

If you'd like to join in this ministry, contact Ruthie Bushong or Lois Silver. Find contact information in the church directory.