

Mountville Church of the Brethren



November 19, 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 Nun Danket arr/ Hustad

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Great is the grace and glory of God.

We give thanks with hearts of joy.

Great is the strength and mercy of our creator.

We give thanks with hearts of hope.

Great is the courage and hope of our Lord.

We give thanks with hearts of faith.

Great is the mercy and compassion of the Holy One.

We give thanks with hearts of love.

*HYMN Come, ye thankful people come 94

*INVOCATION^^

RECEIVING

SCRIPTURE Luke 18:1-8

CHORAL ANTHEM Now Thank We All Our God Harlan
Congregation sings along as directed.

Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

RESPONDING

HYMN The church of Christ in every age 403

INVITATION TO GIVE^^^

OFFERTORY Fantasia on St. George's Windsor Broughton

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

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^^

PROCLAIMING

SERMON Pursuing Justice Rev. Angela Finet

PARTING

*HYMN You are salt for the earth 226

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Toccata on Ein Feste Burg arr. Penfield

^Torigian, Michelle. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2021). Pg 35. Used with permission.

^^Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2021). Pg 252. Adapted.

^^^Ferris, Paula A. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2023*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2022). Pg 158. Adapted.

Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

THIS WEEK

Today: 11:00 a.m. – UNR Young Adult Bible Study, Rm. 100
 12:00 p.m. – Red Rose Antique Car Club
 5:00 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
 7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102 & Zoom
 Wed: 1:00 p.m. – **NO** Stitch ‘n Sew ‘n Share this week
 7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer Youth, Rm. 100
 – **NO** Chancel Choir this week
 Thurs: Thanksgiving Day – Office Closed

Next Sunday, November 26, 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 *Embodying Service* from Deuteronomy 15:7-11. Sarah Repkoe is the worship leader and Wendy Allshouse provides our 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.

OFFICE HOURS

Jackie will not be in the office Friday, November 24 and Monday, November 27. Pastor Angela is available via her cell phone if you have a need on Monday.

In God’s Service Today

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 Pastor Rev. Angela Finet
 Music Director John Hess
 Worship Leader Harold Ulmer
 Organ Gloria Hess
 Anthem Chancel Choir
 Brass Euphonium: Chuck Few, Trombone: Jim Zeigler,
 Trumpet: John Hess
 Acolyte
 Ushers Jerry Bushong, Barry Lauver, Harry Light, Daryl Strine
 Children’s Ministry Betsy Thomas, Sue Beiler
 Nursery Carey Taylor
 Greeters Bob & Heidi Keller, Daryl & Karen Strine
 Prayer Chain Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
 Security Carl Harnish
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John and Gloria Hess give the flowers in the worship center to the glory and honor of God and in celebration of their wedding anniversary today.

We are deeply grateful for your support during the past several months. Your love, prayers, cards, phone calls, visits, and gifts of food for our family have been a blessing to us during Dottie’s illness and passing. We are blessed to be a part of this church family and grateful for your thoughtfulness and continued support. With warmest thanks.

The Light Family

Thank you for all the cards that were sent to me for my 81st birthday. I appreciate everyone’s caring and love.- Louise

LET’S TALK TURKEY!

Thanksgiving day greetings to our dear Pastor Angela and to all our dear friends at our church. All the members here are so loved and cared about. Your friendship means so much. Please enjoy a special dinner with your loved ones.

Many thank yous to all the kitchen chefs who always prepare very enjoyable lunches so often for everyone. By the way, we are getting hungry. God Bless. Turkey hugs to everyone!

Love, Molly and Lynn

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 Fay, Harold, George, John, Jim, the Light family, the Mary Jane Winters family, Wendy, the Fitze family, and Nick.
- Please pray for Joe as he continues 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 Hempfield COB. Veritas, Lancaster, is praying for us.

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 Deuteronomy 15:7-11. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible.

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. For the next two weeks we will explore Mike Slaughter's book, *Changing the World*. Pastor Mike Slaughter will challenge us to look at the future and identify the directions and choices we want to make that align with the mission of Jesus.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

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

STATISTICS for November 12, 2023

Received for General Fund	\$ 6,291.00
DESIGNATED FUND	
Memorial Fund.....	100.00
Global Food Initiative.....	200.00
Food Bank.....	600.00

Worship: 84 Sunday School:

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

- 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 NEEDS:

CHRISTMAS PARTY for 33 residents at Hershey Mill Home. If you would like to donate items for their treat bags, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. Bring items to church by November 26.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS for moms and children at BHA. If you would like to donate Christmas gifts, please see the sign up sheet on the table in the narthex. If you choose to purchase something on their wish list, be sure to take a printed label that must be tied securely to the ribbon on your wrapped package. Please bring gifts to church by November 26. If you have any questions, please contact Marian: mmbollinger@verizon.net or 717-299-0304.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

As in years past, we will decorate the Sanctuary on December 24 with poinsettias. If you are interested in placing a poinsettia in the Sanctuary, please fill out this form and place it in the offering plate along with your check made payable to the Mountville Church of the Brethren. Mark your check "Poinsettia". YOUR PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ORDER. Deadline to order your poinsettia(s) is **Sunday, November 26, 2023.**

You may place as many poinsettias as you wish in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Those names will be included in the bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Please write in the amount you wish to order.

6" bloom Red \$ 10.50 _____

Total amount enclosed: _____

Please print the names below exactly as you want them to appear in the bulletin.

Given in MEMORY of _____

Given in HONOR of _____

Given by _____
