

STATISTICS for January 14, 2024

Received for General Fund ..... \$5,556.00

**DESIGNATED FUND**

Kathy VanderHeijden Social Justice Fund ..... 10.50

Worship: 94 Sunday School: 21

**THIS WEEK**

Today: 11:00 a.m. – UNR Young Adult Bible Study, Rm. 100  
 12:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer worship

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 & via Zoom

Wed: 10:00 a.m. – Education Ministry Team, Hospitality Room  
 1:00 p.m. - Stitch ‘n Sew ‘n Share, Rm. 106  
 7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir, Sanctuary  
 7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer Youth, Rm. 100

Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs

Fri: 9:00 a.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary

Sat: 3:30 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary

**Next Sunday, January 28, 2024**

**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 *Jesus, the Way* from John 14:1-6. Cathy Funderwhite will be the worship leader, and the Chancel Choir will sing.

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.

**Purpose Statement**

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

# Mountville Church of the Brethren



## January 21, 2024

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.

January 21, 2024 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 *Aria* arr. Callahan

\*CALL TO WORSHIP^

God created the heavens and the earth,  
**and gave them to us to use and enjoy.**

God breathed life into each of us, and set us upon the earth,  
**and God sent Jesus Christ to save us from the pull of death.**

Everything that fills our souls with gladness and light is a gift from the  
loving Creator.

**We have been entrusted with unfathomable riches. For all this  
our God is to be praised. Let us worship God together!**

HYMN *Lord, I am fondly, earnestly* 514

\*INVOCATION^

SCRIPTURE *Isaiah 43:1-7* OT 672

RECEIVING

ANTHEM *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead us* Arr. Sterling

PRESENTATION OF BIBLE

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

HYMN *Savior of my soul* 549

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO GIVE^^

OFFERTORY *Petit Offertoire* Franck

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

\*PRAYER OF BLESSING^

PROCLAIMING

GOSPEL READING *Luke 2:8-14* NT 58

SERMON *Jesus, Our Savior* Rev. Angela Finet

PARTING

\*HYMN *A wonderful Savior is Jesus* 598

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE *Fuga in E Minor* Pachelbel

^Duck, Ruth C., ed. *Flames of the Spirit: Resources for Worship*. (Wipf & Stock: Eugene, OR, 2009). Pg. 60, 72, 90. Adapted.

^^Beu, B.J. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2017*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN, 2016). Pg 274.

**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	Kathy Long
Acolytes	
Ushers	Dave Fuchs, Joel Musser, John Musser, Daryl Strine
Anthem	Chancel Choir
Children's Ministry	Joyce Kerns, Connie Renn
Nursery	Betsy Thomas
Greeters	Bob & Heidi Keller, Dave & Becky Fuchs
Prayer Chain	Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security	John Musser

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The flowers in the worship center are given to  
the glory and honor of God.

My heartfelt thanks to all Dear Ones here at Mountville Church of the Brethren. After a nasty fall on concrete, you showed me compassion through loving telephone calls and cards, gifts of food that were both sweet and nutritious, and the warmth of visits and hugs. You are certainly the children of a loving God. Dave and I are so grateful for finding a home among you. – Beth Serfass

### 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 John 14:1-6. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible.

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Hempfield Food Pantry receives our January Food Cart items. They are requesting canned mixed fruit, canned peaches, canned pears, canned mandarin oranges, strawberry jelly, grape jelly and cereal. These can be placed in the cart in the lower entrance by the elevator. Please remember no perishables, glass, or outdated items. Monetary donations may be placed in the offering with "food bank" on the envelope.

## 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 Jeanne, Don & Ruth, Ruth, Vernon & Angela, Beth, Ray, Harold, George, John, Jim, 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.
- 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 Lancaster COB.

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

February 24, 9:00-12:00 p.m.: Brethren Belief's Class

February 25, 10:15 a.m.: Joe Buohl's licensing service

February 25: 11:30 a.m.: Congregational Business Forum

### CHUCK SHARES HIS LOVE FOR PHOTOGRAPHY IN THE NARTHEX DISPLAY CASES IN JANUARY

Our friend and fellow congregant, Chuck, has been interested in photography since the 1950's when he was in grade school. His craft grew and blossomed as he and his wife, Terry, grew in their love of the camera and evolving photographic technology. Chuck even took some black and white (B&W) film shots becoming enchanted with the depth photos take on when there is no color, just light and shade to make a statement... or to tell a story.

Black and white photography is a distinct type of photography that is naturally emotive. When you strip away color from an image, it takes on a more timeless and nostalgic feeling. In a way, it forces the viewer to focus on the story of the image without being distracted by color. B&W photos show contrast, convey feelings, create a feeling of nostalgia for the passage of time. This increases the depth of drama about the story the photographer wants the picture to tell. It is indeed a challenging, special art form.

Please stop by the Narthex display cases in January to share the stories Chuck Few is telling in this collection of his photographic art.