

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.

Mountville Church of the Brethren



January 28, 2024

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.

January 28, 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 *Prelude in G* Walther

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Come, people of God! Take refuge in the Lord,
who listens when we cry out,
who saves us when we call,
and who leads and guides us according to his unfailing love.
Come, people of God! Bring your worship!
We come to worship the One who makes us whole!

HYMN *Come, we that love the Lord* 14

*INVOCATION^

SCRIPTURE John 14:1-6

RECEIVING

ANTHEM *Just Two Words* arr Lau

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

HYMN *I want Jesus to walk with me* Overhead

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO GIVE^

OFFERTORY *I love Thee, My Lord* Wagner

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

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^^

PROCLAIMING

SERMON *Jesus, the Way* Rev. Angela Finet

PARTING

*HYMN *For we are strangers no more* 322

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *O Worship the King* Paxton

^Finet, Angela.
^^Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2023*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2022). Pg 94.

Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

STATISTICS for January 21, 2024

Received for General Fund	\$4,268.00
DESIGNATED FUND	
Kathy VanderHeijden Social Justice Fund	1,010.50
Global Food Initiative	50.00
Food Bank	100.00
Misc. Designated: Card Ministry	20.00
Misc. Designated: Stitch 'n Sew 'n Share	20.00

Worship: 92 Sunday School: 26

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: 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: 5:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts, Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday, February 4, 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 guest preacher Sara Haldeman-Scarr shares *Jesus as Presence* from Matthew 28:16-20. Walt VanderHeijden will be the worship leader, and the Chancel Choir will sing.

In God’s Service Today

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Pastor	Rev. Angela Finet
Music Director	John Hess
Organist	Gloria Hess
Worship Leader	Cathy Funderwhite
Ushers	Dave Fuchs, Joel Musser, John Musser, Daryl Strine
Anthem	Chancel Choir
Song Leader	Kathy Long
Children’s Ministry	Nanette Bushong, Sue Beiler
Nursery	Regina Schulz
Greeters	Bob & Heidi Keller, Joel Musser, Cindy Heisey
Prayer Chain	Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security	Pete Musser
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The flowers in the worship center are given to the glory and honor of God.

Thank you all for the cards, calls and other acts of acknowledgement of my recent 85th birthday. All were greatly appreciated.
– Harry

Hello, beloved church family! I want to thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls and get well cards and wishes that I have received during the past month and a half. My sciatica is much better and the cause of the falls has been revealed: partially torn tendons that attach from the thigh to the left hip. I praise God for giving the doctors the insight to continue searching for the reason I was having so much pain in my left hip. I praise God for medication and physical therapy which is reducing my pain. Mostly, I praise God for the love and concern you have shown me during these difficult weeks. I cherish you all.
- Jeanne

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 Matthew 28:16-20. 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:

- Our sympathies and prayers for the Finkbinder family on the death of Lloyd on January 22, 2024
- 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 Lampeter COB.

SAVE THE DATE!

Are you getting tired of the winter weather? Think spring!!! **March 16** is the District Spring Women's Fellowship gathering at the Lititz Church of the Brethren. Donna Percell will be speaking on "Joy" and sharing her photography. More information will be coming out soon.

TAKE-OUT SPAGHETTI MEAL FUNDRAISER

Faith Friendship Ministries, 128 W. Main St., Mountville is holding a take-out Spaghetti meal on Wednesday, February 28. The cost of the meal is \$10 which includes a roll, dessert and of course spaghetti. Please call Eric Stark, 717-285-5496 ext. 416 or email estark@faithfriendship.org to pre-order your meal by February 27. Pick up via the drive by Faith Friendship's front driveway, pick up a meal and pay. Proceeds will go towards entertainment for our residents. Pre-ordering is not necessary, but appreciated.

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.

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

BRETHREN BELIEF'S CLASS

Are you new to our family of faith? Have you been around awhile and never had a behind-scenes-tour? Would you like to know more or have your knowledge refreshed 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, February 24 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 in the fellowship hall. This is a no pressure opportunity to expand your knowledge. Please RSVP to the church office so Angela can prepare enough materials. Those wishing to place membership with our family of faith will be received during worship on Sunday, March 3.