

BOB KELLER'S "MUSEUM" OF MOTORIZED VEHICLES ON DISPLAY IN NARTHEX CABINETS

Bob Keller freely admits that from his youth, he's had a liking for anything having wheels and a motor...cars, motorcycles, trucks, whether full size or immaculately scaled models which he collects and displays in his house. Some of these are on view in the two Narthex display cases during February. Truly, Bob is a vehicle enthusiast extraordinaire!

To experience a display of this scope and historical detail, you would expect to go to a large city museum. But not us! We have elegant portions of Bob's collection here this month for folks of all ages - exhibits to marvel at, reminiscence about fondly, and seed new insights into the life interests of friends we worship with.

If you have a hobby, craft or collection you would like to display in the Narthex as Bob is doing, please contact Charlie Worrall either in person or by phone (717285-1898). Revealing a creative part of your life to new and old friends will be a memory you will treasure for a long time. That's a promise.

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.

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 Joel 2:12-13. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible.

Purpose Statement

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

Mountville Church of the Brethren



February 4, 2024

Worship 10:15 a.m.

60 Clay St., Mountville, PA 17554
717-285-5122

www.mountvillecob.org
email: office@MountvilleCOB.org

MOUNTVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN



*Fostering growth in faith,
growth in community, and growth in service.*

February 4, 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 *I Shall Not Want* Assad & Brown

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Jesus, we are called to your mountain

You stand before us and erase our lingering doubts

Jesus, all authority of heaven and earth breathes through you

We live to spread your teachings in all we say and do

Jesus, you promise to be with us to the end of times

**We worship in gratitude for your enduring presence...challenging,
encouraging, assuring, comforting.**

*HYMN *For Christ and the Church* 416

*INVOCATION[^]

SCRIPTURE Matthew 28:16-20 NT 34

RECEIVING

SPECIAL MUSIC *I'm Always Prayin' for You* Alexander

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

HYMN *Spirit of the Living God* 349

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO GIVE

OFFERTORY *Will You Surrender?* Alexander

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

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^{^^}

PROCLAIMING

SERMON *Jesus as Presence* Sara Haldeman-Scarr

PARTING

*HYMN *Christian, Let Your Burning Light* 402

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Chaconne* Couperin

[^]Christine Jerrett. <https://christinejerrett.wordpress.com/>

^{^^}Ruthanna B. Hook,

<https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/narrative-lectionary/great-commission-2/commentary-on-matthew-2816-20-8>

Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

STATISTICS for January 28, 2024

Received for General Fund	\$3,691.00
DESIGNATED FUND	
Kathy VanderHeijden Social Justice Fund	3,291.33
Global Food Initiative	100.00
Sunday Flowers.....	35.00
Library: New Books.....	20.00
Mountville Ministerium	200.00
Mountville Elementary Gifts	2,280.87

Worship: 107 Sunday School: 27

THIS WEEK

- Today: 11:00 a.m. – UNR Young Adult Bible Study, Rm. 100
12:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer worship
- Mon: 9:30 a.m. – Behavioral Healthcare, Fellowship Hall, Rm, 100
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

Next Sunday, February 11, 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 Jan Glass King shares *Turn Around Right* from Joel 2:12-13. Forrest Collier will be the worship leader, and the Chancel Choir will sing.

PASTOR ANGELA’S SABBATH

Pastor Angela will be away from ministerial duties until February 15 at the earliest. Please contact Karen Strine or Cathy Funderwhite with prayer concerns. Additional pastoral needs should be directed to Deacon Chair Jerry Bushong. Thank you for your prayers as she rests and recovers.

In God’s Service Today

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Pastor	Rev. Angela Finet
Guest Preacher	Sara Haldeman-Scarr
Music Director	John Hess
Organist	Gloria Hess
Worship Leader	Walt VanderHeijden
Reader	Karine Moussa
Ushers	Norman Bollinger, Jerry Bushong, Barry Lauver, Harry Light
Special Music	Anna Alexander
Children’s Ministry	Joyce Kerns, Tess Wolford, Rebecca Priest
Nursery	Joan Boshnaugle
Greeters	Tom & Gail Druck – Upper Narthex
	Walt VanderHeijden & Connie Renn – Lower Narthex
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 and in celebration of Joy Meley’s birthday by Aunt Holly Mele.

Special music provided by the Light Family in memory of Dottie, and in recognition of her birthday.

Thanks to our loving and caring church family for the Christmas cards and Becky and Dave Fuchs for their visit. We didn’t open the cards until after the new year for I wanted to show Ray the pictures of those he did not remember or had never met. Soon after we finished he passed out and was taken to the hospital and is now in skilled care at BV. The cards we received with all your love and encouragement and get well wishes are greatly appreciated. Please continue to remember us in prayer. - Mary

Anna Alexander has been spreading the joy of music vocally and pianistically for over 20 years. She has used both of these talents for numerous weddings, churches, retirement communities, choirs, and swing dances. Although Anna is most often called upon to do music with her jazz trio, the music that she most loves to share with others is music that acknowledges Jesus Christ as Lord. She loves encouraging others through music and prayerfully desires that God is glorified through the music she performs.

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 Lloyd Finkbinder family on the death of Lloyd on January 22, 2024
- Continue to pray for Jeanne, Don & Ruth, Ruth, Vernon & Angela, Beth Serfass, 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 Annville COB. Grace Christian, Lansdale, is praying for us.

INVITATION TO SMALL GROUP GATHERING

The Fabric Arts Ministry, Stitch, Sew and Share, invites you to join us for our weekly gathering on Wednesday February 14 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. This is a drop-in event and you are welcome to be with us for a short time or for the hour. We are excited to share with you the in-progress items we are working on as we prepare to donate some of what we have done to hospitals, to Hospice, and to others in need in the community. Our creations are shaped into patterns of love and caring, the work of our hands and hearts. Join us in our spirit of outreach.

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.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Columbia Food Bank receives our February Food Cart items. 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.

Feb. 14, 1:00 p.m.: Presentation of Legacy Award, MCOB Sanctuary from Church World Service

Feb. 17, 9:30 a.m.: Men's Breakfast & Fellowship @ Centerville Diner

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

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

Feb. 25: 11:30 a.m.: Pot Luck Meal & Congregational Forum

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.

MEN'S BREAKFAST & FELLOWSHIP

All men are invited to share in food and fellowship on Sat., Feb. 17 at 9:30 am at the Centerville Diner. Please RSVP to Tim Wrightson by Feb. 12 so that accommodations can be reserved. See you there!

LOVE GIFTS FOR BHA

There is a need for these 5 items for the moms at BHA: **dish detergent, laundry detergent, body wash, paper towels and toilet paper.** This is an easy way for us to support BHA because any size or brand is fine. It doesn't matter how many are packaged together because they take them apart before giving just one to the moms who need them. If you can bring in any of these items, I'll have a container in the narthex where you can deposit them this Sunday. Spread the word! Norman and I will be happy to deliver these gifts of love to BHA for Valentine's Day! Just e mail me if you have questions: mmbollinger@verizon.net. Thanks for joining me in putting a smile on someone's face today!