

PROMPTS FOR YOUR PRAYER JOURNAL

1. Spend time with the Lord's prayer and rewrite it in your own words.
2. Write down your daily prayer requests. You can go back later and see how God answered those prayers.
3. Look at the words you are using as you write your requests. What do the words tell you about your relationship with God?

DISTRICT OLDER ADULT SPRING LUNCHEON

You are invited to the Annual District-Wide Older Adult Spring Luncheon on May 1, 2024, 12:00 p.m. at Yoder's Restaurant, New Holland. Entertainment is provided by Vickie Kissinger, a mezzo soprano PA State Senior Idol, who is a classically trained singer, pianist, and organist, with a background in jazz.

The menu consists of broasted chicken, ham balls, vegetarian lasagna or gluten-free chicken platter; Gourmet au gratin potatoes, green/yellow beans and carrots, tossed salad, dressings and family style rolls, hot and cold beverages and vanilla or chocolate ice cream.

Please see the bulletin board across from the mailboxes to register and to choose your meal by **Monday, April 15**, 2024. Checks should be made out to the Mountville Church of the Brethren with Luncheon written in the memo line. You may also register and pay on line at ane-cob.org, calendar/events tab; event registration; older adult luncheon.

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



"When you seek me with all your heart, you will find me with you"
Jeremiah 29:13-14

April 14, 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.*

April 14, 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.**

GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC

CHIMES

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE *Andante* arr. Chesterton

*CALL TO WORSHIP

O Lord, our sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

When we look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of us?

Yet you have made us a little lower than God, and crowned us with glory and honor.

You have given us dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under our feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, birds of the air, and fish of the sea.

O Lord, our sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

*HYMN *O Lord, our Lord, how majestic* 112

*INVOCATION^

RECEIVING

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:9-13 NT 6

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Lord's Prayer* Malotte
Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SUNG PRAYER RESPONSE *O Lord, hear my prayer* 348

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO GIVE^^

OFFERTORY *Arabasque* Paxton

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

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^^

PROCLAIMING

HYMN *Sweet Hour of Prayer* 11

SERMON *Teach us to Pray* Angela Finet

*HYMN *Renew your church* 363

PARTING

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Unto God Be the Glory* Martin

^Thematic, Intercessory and Scripture Prayers for the RCL, Vanderbilt Divinity Library. <http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/> Adapted.

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Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

STATISTICS for April 7, 2024

Received for General Fund\$ 5,884.75

DESIGNATED FUND

K. VanderHeijden Social Justice Fund	50.00
Global Food Initiative	20.00
Seasonal Flowers: Easter	10.00
Kits	30.00
Food Bank	20.00
Misc. Designated: Church Library	20.00
Messenger Subscriptions	27.00
St. Adult Banquet	23.00
Cemetery Fund	500.00

Worship: 89 Sunday School: 20

THIS WEEK

- Today: 12:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer worship, Sanctuary
 Mon: 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
 Tues: 6:00 p.m. – Gifts Discernment, Rm. 106
 7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall
 7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102 & via Zoom
 Wed: 9:00 a.m. – Education Ministry Team, Rm. 102
 1:00 p.m. - Stitch ‘n Sew ‘n Share, Rm. 106
 6:00 p.m. – Outreach Ministry Team, Lower Narthex
 NO Chancel Choir
 7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer Youth, Rm. 100, Fellowship Hall
 Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs
 5:30 p.m. – Mountville Ministerium, Fellowship Hall
 7:00 p.m. – Leadership Team, Rm. 101
 Sat: 9:30 a.m. – Men’s Breakfast & Fellowship, Columbia Family Rest.

Next Sunday, April 21, 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 “A Tale of Two Prayers” from Colossians 1:1-14. The Chancel Choir sings and Catherine Repkoe is the worship leader.

In God’s Service Today

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Pastor	Rev. Angela Finet
Music Director	John Hess
Organist	Gloria Hess
Worship Leader	Dave Serfass
Reader	Nanette Bushong
Acolyte(s)	
Ushers	Jerry Bushong, Bob Keller, Harry Light, John Musser
Special Music	Bill Kepner
Children’s Ministry	Betsy Thomas, Sue Beiler
Nursery	Regina Schulz
Greeters	Bob & Heidi Keller, Harold & Janice Ulmer
Prayer Chain	Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security	Carl Harnish
Bulletin Cover Design	Ava Stemmer
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Holly Mele gives the flowers in the worship center to the glory and honor of God and in celebration of Michael Mele’s birthday.

We extend our sympathy to Barry S. on the death of Betty K.. Betty was a lifelong mentor and "second mom" to Barry. She died at St. Anne's last week at 102.

TODAY we will assemble 300 hygiene kits to be sent to areas of disaster through CWS. The supplies have been donated or purchased in bulk, discounted and tax exempt so that we can do as many kits as possible. Unfortunately, the kit fund only has \$360 which is scarcely enough to cover half the cost of our supplies.

If you would like to contribute to help to cover the cost of these items, please place your money in an envelope, mark it FOR KITS and place in the offering plate any Sunday. Any money received over and beyond what we need today we go to purchase supplies for school kits in July. Thanks so much! – Marian Bollinger

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 Lynn , Jeanne , Kevin , Vernon , Beth , Ray , Harold , George t, John , Wendy , the Fitze family, and Nick .
- Please pray for Joe Buohl 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 Lebanon COB. Cornerstone COB, 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 from Colossians 1:1-14. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible, or one can be provided for you.

SEEKERS CLASS

The month of April will bring a variety of topics to the Adult Sunday School class. Bill Kepner will discuss a book called "Halftime," which talks about what challenges you face and opportunities you have as you enter the phase of life that begins when you retire. On April 21, Judge David Ashworth will discuss some innovations in the Lancaster County Court system, including the Drug Court. We will also embark on a study of Heaven; what do we know about what happens after death? Join us at 9:00 a.m. Sunday mornings for these enlightening discussions.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Columbia Food Bank receives our April 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.

Today: Assemble Hygiene Kits after Church, Fellowship Hall
April 20, 9:30 a.m.: Men's Breakfast & Fellowship @ Columbia Family Restaurant

April 27, 5:00 p.m.: All Church Meal & Chris Ivey, Character Juggler

May 2, 10:00 a.m.: National Day of Prayer, Rm. 102

May 19: Pentecost & Graduate Recognition Sunday during Worship.

June 2: All-Church Talent Show and meal, after Worship

YWCA TRAINING FOR SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE

Pennsylvania has now included volunteers who work with children in the church setting as mandated reporters of any suspected child abuse. In order for the volunteers to be aware of what is defined as child abuse by the state, the Education Ministry team has asked a certified trainer from the YWCA to come out to the church on Wednesday, April 17 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., in room 102 to provide State approved, mandated reporter training. This will include the information used by the state to identify child abuse. All volunteers serving the children in our church family are encouraged to attend. This training will also be open to any individuals interested in learning how and when to report suspected child abuse. See Ginny Hart with questions.

NEEDED FOR BHA APARTMENT:

Wall hangings, framed pictures (small or large) and wall decor. If you have some that you are not using, please bring in and give to Jerry Bushong because we will use them when we refurbish another apartment for Brethren Housing Association, whose mission is to assist mothers and children transitioning out of homelessness.

ARTICLES for the May *New Vision* are due in the church office today. Thank you.