

Mountville Church of the Brethren



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

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.

April 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.*

April 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.**

GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC

CHIMES

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE

Prelude in C

Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Called by God to be people of prayer,

we gather today as prayerful people.

Come, let us worship

and lift our voices in praise and in prayer.

*HYMN

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

70

*INVOCATION^

RECEIVING

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 1:1-14

NT 199

ANTHEM

Prayer

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SUNG PRAYER RESPONSE

Lord, listen to your children

353

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO GIVE

OFFERTORY

Romanza

Walton

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom (v.2)

119

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^

PROCLAIMING

HYMN

O Jesus, I have promised

447

SERMON

A Tale of Two Prayers

Angela Finet

*HYMN

God of grace and God of glory

366

PARTING

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

arr. Werner

^Beu, B.J. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022*. (Abingdon Press, Nashville, 2021.) Pg. 168 & 235. Adapted.

Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

STATISTICS for April 14, 2024

Received for General Fund	\$ 10,667.00
DESIGNATED FUND	
K. VanderHeijden Social Justice Fund	40.00
Global Food Initiative	100.00
Endowment	1,200.00
Kits	1,115.00
Food Bank	70.00
Messenger Subscriptions	14.50
St. Adult Banquet	46.00

Worship: 91 Sunday School: 22

THIS WEEK

- Today: 12:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer worship, Sanctuary
- Mon: 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
- Tues: 6:00 a.m. – Election Day: Voting in Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 101
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, Fellowship Hall
- Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs
6:00 p.m. – SVMC, Rm. 101
- Fri: Set-up for Saturday, Fellowship Hall, Kitchen
- Sat: 5:00 p.m. – Meal & Chris Ivy, Character Juggler, Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday, April 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 “The ‘Rules’ of Prayer” from Matthew 7:7-11. The Chancel Choir sings and Sarah 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	Catherine Repkoe
Acolyte(s)	
Ushers	Jerry Bushong, Bob Keller, Harry Light, John Musser
Anthem	Chancel Choir
Children’s Ministry	Joyce Kerns, Gina Baustita
Nursery	Betsy Thomas
Greeters	Bob & Heidi Keller, Holly Mele, Anne Schanz
Prayer Chain	Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security	John Musser
Bulletin Cover Design	Ava Stemmer
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The flowers in the worship center are given to the glory and honor of God.

My family and I would like to thank our MCOB family for your prayers and kind messages during my unexpected hospitalization last weekend. I'm sure your prayers had an impact on the decisions and skill with which the medical team directed their decisions for my care. It is a wonderful and life-enriching privilege to be connected to each one of you in this caring village of faith and friendship. Thank you.
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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 Matthew 7:7-11. 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

This Sunday at 9:00 a.m., the Seekers will welcome **Judge David Ashworth** to discuss some innovations in the Lancaster County Court system including the Drug Court.

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, Ray, Harold, George, John, Wendy, the Fitze family, and Nick.
- Please pray for Joe Buohl as he wraps up 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 Nuevo Amanecer, Bethlehem, PA. Amwell COB, Stockton, NJ is praying for us.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them. ~ Matthew 18:20

We will gather on Thursday, May 2 at 10:00 a.m. in room 102 for the National Day of Prayer. The National Day of Prayer shares a history with our Thanksgiving holiday. While under British rule, the New England colonies practiced two days each year of prayer: the day in late fall called for prayer and thanksgiving, while the day in spring called for prayer and fasting. In 1863, President Lincoln established the fall day of prayer as the official Thanksgiving holiday. In 1952, under President Truman, the spring day of prayer became the National Day of Prayer. Come put into action the discipline of prayer we've been practicing all month. All are welcome, even if you aren't comfortable praying aloud. Your presence is prayerful. Please send your prayer concerns to Pastor Angela by Monday, April 29 at noon so that she can prepare the prayer list for Thursday.

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

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

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.

YOU'RE INVITED

Gospel singer, Gordon Jensen, and Ryan and Friends, are coming to our sanctuary on Tuesday, May 7 compliments of Martha Philbrick and friends who provide bus tours in our area. Arrivals and format of the program are extremely informal and will most likely start around 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited and welcomed to attend!

PROMPTS FOR YOUR PRAYER JOURNAL

1. Pick a Psalm and read it twice each day. After reading it, try to summarize it in your own words. Make it a prayer.
2. This week, commit to praying at a specific time each day. Write it down like a contract with yourself.
3. Look for instances in this church that are worthy of praise, write them down, and thank God for them.
4. Pray with greater expectation. Pray expecting God to show up. Pray expecting God to move.