

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 Sunday, 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 anecob.org, calendar/events tab; event registration; older adult luncheon.

Mountville Church of the Brethren



April 7, 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.

April 7, 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 *Chapel Meditation*

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*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Loving Shepherd, you know our names.

you care for us.

When we face darkness and death,

You walk beside us.

When we hunger for your love,

You fill us with your presence.

May we dwell in the house of goodness and mercy

all the days of our lives.

*HYMN *All hail the power of Jesus' Name*

106

*INVOCATION^^

RECEIVING

SCRIPTURES John 10:1-10a
Psalm 23

NT 103
OT 501

ANTHEM *By Faith* Lawrence
Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER^^^

RESPONDING

HYMN *The King of Love My Shepherd is* 170

INVITATION TO GIVE

OFFERTORY *Sarabande* Koury

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

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^^^^

PROCLAIMING

SERMON *I Am The What???* Gina Bautista

*HYMN *God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian* 632

PARTING

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *An Exultant Alleluia* Smtih

^ written by Mary Petrina Boyd, and posted on Ministry Matters.

<http://www.ministrymatters.com/>

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Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

STATISTICS for March 31, 2024

Received for General Fund	\$ 8,195.74
Room Use: Mountville Library Book Sale	150.00
DESIGNATED FUND	
Global Food Initiative	100.00
Sunday Flowers	70.00
Seasonal Flowers: Easter	380.00
Kits	55.00
Children’s Ministry	20.00
Messenger Subscriptions	68.50

Worship: 169 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: 7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102 & via Zoom
- Wed: 10:00 a.m. – Loss Support Group, 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. – Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center Class, Rm. 101
- Sat: 4:00 p.m. – Set-up Fellowship Hall for Sunday

Next Sunday, April 14, 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 “Teach us to Pray” from Matthew 6:9-13. Dave Serfass is the worship leader and the Chancel Choir will sing.

In God’s Service Today

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Pastor	Rev. Angela Finet
Guest Preacher	Gina Bautista
Music Director	John Hess
Organist/Piano	Gloria Hess
Worship Leader	Lois Silver
Acolyte(s)	Sophia Harmes
Ushers	Jerry Bushong, Bob Keller, Harry Light, John Musser
Anthem	Chancel Choir
Children’s Ministry	Joyce Kerns, Connie Renn
Nursery	Joan Boshnaugle
Greeters	Upper Narthex: Daryl & Karen Strine
	Lower Narthex: Beth Hess, Sara Wagner
Prayer Chain	Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security	Harry Light
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The flowers in the worship center are given to the glory and honor of God.

Thank you so much for the beautiful Easter card kindly delivered to us by Linda W. Also our sincere thanks for welcoming us back on Easter Sunday. It was a long goal to return to in-person worship. Being with our church family again and experiencing the joy of worship overwhelmed us. Please continue to keep us in prayer as our journey to good health is ongoing. - John & Louise

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, John, Wendy, the Fitze family, and Nick.
- Please pray for Joe B 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 East Cocalico COB. Wyomissing 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 Matthew 6:9-13. 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.

April 14: 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.

ASSEMBLE HYGIENE KITS

We will assemble 300 hygiene kits after worship on April 14. Please plan to help us that day. The supplies have been purchased and the good news is that the cost of supplies is the same as last year...about \$3.50 / per kit. You may place money for the kit supplies in an envelope and drop it in the offering plate any Sunday. Be sure to mark it **for kits**.

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.