SERMON NOTES

Mountville Church of the Brethren

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.

OFFICE HOURS

Jackie has returned to her regular hours in the church office: Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Purpose Statement

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

October 13, 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.

October 13, 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 O God Our Help in Ages Past arr. Kosnik

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Come and worship.

God is here.

Listen for God's word.

It is alive and active.

Draw near to the source of mercy.

The God of grace is with us.

*HYMN Come, Thou Almighty King 41

*INVOCATION^^

RECEIVE

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 4:12-16 NT 221

CHORAL ANTHEM All to us arr. McDonald Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

RESPOND

HYMN I need Thee every hour 555

INVITATION TO GIVE^^^

OFFERTORY Christ Be Our Light Farrell

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

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^^^

PROCLAIM

MESSAGE Exposed...and Confident Rev. Angela Finet

*HYMN *How firm a foundation* 567

SEND

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Praeludium und Fuge in A Moll Bach

^Boyd, Mary Petrina. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2021.* (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN, 2020). Pg 218.

^^Osdieck, Anne. *The Center for Liturgy Sunday Web Site of Saint Louis University*. http://liturgy.slu.edu/ Adapted.

^^^Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2018.* (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN, 2017). Pg 228.

Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

STATISTICS for October 6, 2024Received for: General Fund\$ 6,282.00Un Nuevo Renacer Building Use400.00DESIGNATED FUND\$ 90.00Kathy VanderHeijden Justice Fund90.00Global Food Initiative20.00Disaster Relief33.00Children's Ministry20.00

Worship: 96 Sunday School: 29

THIS WEEK

Today: 12:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 101
12:30 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary

Mon: 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary

Tues: - 7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 101 and via Zoom
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall

Wed: 9:00 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, Fellowship Hall

Thurs: 9:30 a.m. – Behavioral Healthcare, Fellowship Hall
2:45 p.m. – Power Packs

Sat: 9:30 a.m. – Learning to Listen Workshop, Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday, October 20, 2024

9:00-9:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages.

- Adult Sunday School, Rm. 102, continues the series featuring A. J. Levine's *Signs and Wonders*. Dave Fuchs will lead the discussion on "The Raising of Lazarus".
- Birth through pre-K meet in the nursery, room 122.
- Elementary class for grades K-6 meet in room 123.

Children's Worship

Children will begin worship in the sanctuary with their families. Those ages 4 through 6th grade are invited to join the Children's Worship Leaders at the back of the sanctuary at the designated time for their own special worship.

10:15 a.m. We gather to worship God.

Next Sunday Pastor Angela shares "What do you want?" from Mark 10:35-45. Holly Mele is the worship leader & special music will be provided.

In God's Service Today

Rev. Angela Finet Pastor **Music Director** John Hess Organist Gloria Hess Worship Leader Phyllis Kepner **Autumn Priest** Acolyte(s) Dave Fuchs, Cindy Heisey, Bob Keller, John Musser Ushers Anthem **Chancel Choir** Children's Ministry Rebekah Priest, Connie Renn Joan Boshnaugle Nursery Bob & Heidi Keller, Tom & Gail Druck Greeters Prayer Chain Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine Security John Musser _______

The Harry Light family gives the flower arrangement in the worship center to the glory and honor of God and in loving memory of our beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, Dorothy "Dottie" Light.

Please plan on staying for the <u>Fellowship Meal and Congregational</u> <u>Forum on October 27.</u> Please bring a hot or cold dish to share. We can't cook it for you but we can keep it warm. The Fellowship Meal will be directly after church. Then the Congregational Forum Meeting will occur. We are looking at the Constitution and By-Laws to change how we fill our ministry teams. In the packet, you will find a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws to be changed. The strike-thru text is the original text we want to replace. The bold text is the new text. The plain text is the original text that will stay.

Forum packets are available in the narthex for your taking, but remember to bring them back to Forum on Sunday, October 27.

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 Bill, Bev, Jeanne, The family of Pat Landis, Rick, Ray, Harold, George, John, Wendy, the Fitze family, and Nick.
- Please pray for Joe Buohl as he continues his ministry training.
- Pray for all who are grieving violence. Christ have mercy.
- Please pray for peace to prevail in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Nigeria, Niger, Haiti, Sudan, Venezuela, and around the world.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for Light of the Gospel Fellowship Staten Island. Quakertown 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 Mark 10:35-45. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Columbia Food Bank receives our October 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.

NOTES OF ENCOURAGEMENT

If you are sitting in church, and you look around and notice someone isn't here, why not grab a free card on your way out and send a note (or put it in their mail-box). If you hear something in the Congregational Prayer that reminds you of a person in need....grab a card and offer a word of encouragement.

If you intended to bring a birthday card to put in someone's mailbox, but forgot it...you know what to do! The card box is on the table near the restrooms, and the cards are free. What a simple way to be a blessing – and to build one another up in love, as I Thessalonians 5:11 exhorts us to do.

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

Oct. 19: 9:30 a.m.: Listening Workshop

Oct. 27: Potluck meal & Congregational Forum

Dec. 8: 2:30 p.m.: Community Christmas Concert & Carol Sing

Dec. 8: 4:30 p.m.: All Church Christmas Caroling

OCTOBER NARTHEX DISPLAY

The month of October, Phyllis Kepner will share her collection of Porcelain Tea sets and Chocolate Pots. Stop by the narthex and enjoy the beauty and uniqueness of these pieces displayed in the glass case.

LEARNING TO LISTEN

Have you wanted to be a better listener - to your spouse, family, or friends? Have you wanted to visit people within the congregation that you don't know well, but fear you will say the wrong thing? You are not alone!

On Saturday, October 19 from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., join Pastor Angela in the fellowship hall for conversation, information, and the opportunity to practice active listening skills. She will provide handouts of helpful open-ended questions and effective, affirming responses; tips for how to initiate visits with people you don't know well; and stories of how just being present brings relief, hope, and joy.

Attending this gathering doesn't mean you have to be on a visitation schedule or rotation, so come enjoy this opportunity to learn to listen. RSVP to Pastor Angela by Oct. 16 so that she can prepare enough materials.

GOSPEL CONCERT TODAY

The Myerstown Church of the Brethren will host a Gospel Concert today at 3:00 p.m. This concert will feature local musicians. Admission is free; cash and/or food donations will be collected to benefit the local food pantry - THE SHARING CUPBOARD. Call 717-866-5517 for details. Myerstown CoB is located at 51 W. Stoever Ave., Myerstown.