

STATISTICS for September 29, 2024

Received for: General Fund..... \$ 6,850.00
DESIGNATED FUND
Sunday Flowers 140.00
Refugee Resettlement..... 100.00

Worship: 79 Sunday School: 27

SERMON NOTES

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.

Mountville Church of the Brethren



October 6, 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 6, 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 *Gift of Finest Wheat* arr. Callahan

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

In mutual compassion and authentic love,
we gather as the family of God.
We offer our gifts, our hope, and our lives,
to build up this community of faith.
We bring our songs of gratitude and joy,
to bless God with our worship and praise.

*HYMN *Great is the Lord* 87

*INVOCATION^

RECEIVE

READING FROM THE EPISTLES 2 Timothy 3:14-17 NT 213

CHORAL ANTHEM *At this table We Remember* Johnson
Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

RESPOND

HYMN *Where charity and love prevail* 305
(To the tune of *In Christ there is no east or west*)

INVITATION TO GIVE^

OFFERTORY *Communion* Purvis

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

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^

PROCLAIM

GOSPEL READING *Matthew 5:43-48* NT 5

MESSAGE *Grace Dispensers* Rev. Angela Finet

*HYMN *Forgive our sins as we forgive* 137
(To the tune of *Amazing Grace*)

SEND

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Trumpet March* Clarke

^Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2017*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN, 2016). Pgs. 43, 115. Adapted.

Please Remember to Sign the Attendance Pads.

THIS WEEK

Today: 12:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 101
12:30 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. – Love Feast, Fellowship Hall
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: 9:30 a.m. – Behavioral Healthcare, Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. – Loss Support Group, Hospitality Rm.
1:00 p.m. – Stitch ‘n Sew ‘n Share, Rm. 106
6:00 p.m. – Outreach Ministry Team, Lower Narthex
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall
Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs
6:00 p.m. – Sanctuary Reserved, set-up for Friday
7:00 p.m. – Leadership Team, Rm. 101
Fri: 4:00 p.m. – ANE Workshop, Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. – ANE District Worship, Sanctuary
Sat: 6:00 a.m. – UNR Women, Rm. 100
9:30 a.m. – Men’s Breakfast @ Centerville Diner
12:00 p.m. – Pat Landis Service, Sanctuary

Next Sunday, October 13, 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*. Walt VanderHeijden will lead the discussion on “Two-stage Miracle”.
- 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 “Exposed...and Confident” from Hebrews 4:12-16. Phyllis Kepner is the worship leader & the Chancel Choir sings.

In God’s Service Today

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Pastor Rev. Angela Finet
Music Director John Hess
Organist Gloria Hess
Worship Leader Lois Silver
Acolyte(s)
Ushers Dave Fuchs, Cindy Heisey, Bob Keller, John Musser
Anthem Chancel Choir
Children’s Ministry Kathy Long, Becky Fuchs
Nursery Betsy Thomas
Greeters Harold & Janice Ulmer: Upper Narthex
Barry & Lori Lauver: Lower Narthex
Prayer Chain Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security Harry Light
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Holly Mele gives the flowers in the worship center to the glory and honor of God and memory of Joe Mele.

Bill and Phyllis would like to thank everyone who blessed us with their prayers and support on our recent trip home from Canada. We also appreciate the many cards of encouragement and kind words during Bill’s hospitalization and recovery. Our church family is the best!

INVITATION TO LOVE FEAST

Tonight at 6:00 pm, we will join with Christians all over the world in a celebration of communion. Our communion is part of the full service of Love Feast, the most sacred of Brethren ordinances, which also includes a time of confession, foot/hand washing, and a simple meal. This service is a re-enactment of the Last Supper, but it also mirrors a parable Jesus told in Luke 15. Want to know more? Please join us for this celebration.

SOMETHING NEW AND EXCITING IS HAPPENING IN CHILDREN’S WORSHIP!

Beginning today, there will be a new children's choir called Sing and Celebrate. On the first Sunday of each month, children ages 4-12 will sing and celebrate God's love during worship time downstairs. We would love to have your children and grandchildren sing with us- the more, the merrier!

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 Fitzze 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 Ebenezer Project COB. Un Nuevo Renacer 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 Hebrews 4:12-16. 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.

Tonight: 6:00 p.m.: Love Feast

Oct. 11: 7:00 p.m.: District Conference Worship, MCOB

Oct. 12: 9:30 a.m.: Men's Breakfast & Fellowship, Centerville Diner

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

Oct. 27: Potluck meal & Congregational Forum

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 OCTOBER 13

The Myerstown Church of the Brethren will host a Gospel Concert on Sunday, October 13 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.