# **SERMON NOTES**

# Mountville Church of the Brethren



# FRIDAYS ARE PASTOR ANGELA'S SABBATH

Friday's prayer concerns should be directed to 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.

# **January 19, 2025**

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.

January 19, 2025 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

There is a balm in Gilead

arr. Proulx

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Gathered siblings, may we learn to trust in the Lord with our whole hearts! No more will we rely solely on our intelligence.

We will trust in the Lord! With wholehearted resolve, we will employ our minds and our intelligence in the service of the Lord.

Brothers and sisters, may we come to know the Lord in all our paths; for it is the Lord who will keep our ways straight.

Trusting the Lord will mean we're not puffed up with our wisdom.

We will trust in the Lord.

We will not be puffed up with our rightness or wisdom, but in fear and awe of the Lord, we will turn away from evil.

Then our bodies will be healthy, and our bones will be strengthened.

\*HYMN Praise, I will praise you, Lord 76

\*INVOCATION^

#### **RECEIVE**

SCRIPTURE Matthew 18:1-5 NT 19

John 15:1-10 NT 109

ANTHEM I have decided to follow Jesus Carter Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

#### RESPOND

RESPONSIVE CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

God, we pray for your earthly family, **That they may know the fullness of your love.** 

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

HYMN Have Thine own way 504

INVITATION TO GIVE^^

OFFERTORY Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. Honore

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

\*PRAYER OF BLESSING^^^

### **PROCLAIM**

MESSAGE Renewal through Trust and Yieldedness

Rev. Angela Finet

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\*HYMN When we walk with the Lord

#### **SEND**

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King arr. Trapp

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^Anabaptism at 500 Toolkit. Published by MennoMedia, 2025. Adapted. ^^Finet. Angela

^^^Bartlett, Laura Jaquith. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2018*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2017). Pg 105.

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

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

Tues: 7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102 & via Zoom

7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 101, Fellowship Hall

Wed: 1:00 p.m. - Stitch 'n Sew 'n Share, Rm. 106

5:30 p.m. – Finance Committee, Rm. 101

6:00 p.m. – Education Ministry Team, Rm. 106

7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir, Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer Youth, Rm. 100

Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs

7:00 p.m. – Worship Ministry Team, Rm. 101

# Next Sunday, January 26, 2025

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

- Adult Sunday School studies the Book of James, based on the book in the Covenant Bible Study Series by Brethren pastor David Young in January. Meet in room 102.
- 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 - 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 "Renewal at the Lord's Table" from Luke 22:14-20 with communion and handwashing in the sanctuary. Jeanne Dickel is the worship leader and the Chancel Choir sings.

# In God's Service Today

Rev. Angela Finet **Pastor** Music Director John Hess Organist Gloria Hess Gloria Hess Piano Worship Leader **Dave Serfass** Dave Fuchs, Joel Musser, John Musser, Daryl Strine Ushers Anthem **Chancel Choir** Rebekah Priest, Beth Hess Children's Ministry Nursery **Betsy Thomas** Bob & Heidi Keller, Dave Fuchs Greeters Prayer Chain Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine Security Carl Harnish \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The flowers in the worship center are given to the glory and honor of God.

My heartfelt thanks go to everyone who sent cards, texts & emails, said prayers, asked for updates, and sent good wishes, thoughts, and love my way these past 3 1/2 months. Your support carried me and my family through a very difficult time. Words seem inadequate to express the depth of my gratitude and appreciation. I am so looking forward to seeing you all in February. Oh, how I have missed you! With love, Gina

Thank you so much for the Christmas cards and kindness. It really meant a lot to us to stay in touch this way. Thanks also to Bob and Heidi Keller for the delivery. – John & Louise

# 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 Luke 22:14-20. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible.

# **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 Jeanne, Marian, Linda, Rick, Ray & Mary, Harold, George, John, Wendy, the Fitze family, Nick and Alex, Army, and troops as they serve in Africa.
- Please pray for Joe Buohl as he continues his ministry training.
- Pray for those suffering from the wildfires in California and those in harm's way battling the flames.
- Pray for all who are grieving violence. Christ have mercy.
- Please pray for peace to prevail in Israel, Gaza, Syria, Ukraine, Nigeria, Niger, Haiti, Sudan, Venezuela, and around the world.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for Ridgeway Community, Harrisburg. Jennersville COB is praying for us.

# **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

The Hempfield Area Food Pantry receives our January 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.

Received for: General Fund	\$ 4,837.00
DESIGNATED FUND	
Kathy VanderHeijden Fund	65.00
Building Maintenance Fund	15.00
Sunday Flowers	63.00
Brethren Housing Association	15.00
Christmas Eve Offering	
Cemetery Fund	
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Worship: 93 Sunday School: 24

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

January 26, 10:15 a.m.: Communion during Worship

February 8, 9:30 a.m.: Men's Breakfast/Fellowship @ Columbia Diner

February 16, 10:15 a.m.: Worship with COBYS

February 23, 11:15 a.m.: Congregational Business Forum and meal.

March 6, 10:00 a.m.: World Day of Prayer

# **SEEKERS CLASS**

The Book of James is one of the shortest books of the Bible, but it is important to the Church of the Brethren due to its emphasis on putting faith into action. It is also the basis for certain Brethren practices, like anointing and laying on of hands. The Seekers Class will have a traditional Bible Study on the Book of James, based on the book in the Covenant Bible Study Series by Brethren pastor David Young. Join us downstairs Sunday mornings at 9:00!