

STATISTICS for December 22, 2024

Received for: General Fund \$ 17,324.44

DESIGNATED FUND

Global Food Initiative 50.00
Food Bank 70.00
Christmas Eve Offering..... 600.00
Cemetery & Memorial Garden Maint. 20.00

Worship: 119 Sunday School: 22

STATISTICS for Christmas Eve

Received for: General Fund \$ 277.00

Christmas Eve Offering..... 3,936.00

Attendance: 180

STATISTICS for December 29, 2024

Received for: General Fund \$ 5,540.00

DESIGNATED FUND

Church Music 120.00
Food Bank 40.00
Christmas Eve Offering..... 750.00
Cemetery & Memorial Garden Maint. 20.00

Worship: 64 Sunday School: 25

Mountville Church of the Brethren



January 5, 2025

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.

January 5, 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

***CALL TO WORSHIP^**

We are a covenant people, called to God by God,
generation through generation.

We are a covenant people, called to Jesus by Jesus,
losing our life to gain our life.

We are a covenant people, called to church by the church,
weaving together the strong and the weak, the stranger and the friend.

Renamed. Reborn. Renewed. We gather ourselves in the community of believers.

We gather ourselves unto God.

*HYMN *Here in this place* 6

*INVOCATION^

RECEIVE

CONVERSATION WITH THE YOUNG AT HEART
Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC *Go Tell it on the Mountain* Spiritual

RESPOND

HYMN *Christ is our Cornerstone* 43

INVITATION TO GIVE^^

OFFERTORY

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

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^^

SCRIPTURE READING I Corinthians 3:11 NT 167

PROCLAIM

RENEWED THROUGH OUR STORIES: PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

*HYMN *For we are strangers no more* 322

SEND

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

^Kauffman, Bradley, ed. *Voices Together*. (MennoMedia: Harrisonburg, VA 2020). Pgs. 869, 982.

^^Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2025*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville. 2024) Pg. 19.

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: 9:00 a.m. – Children’s Worship Planning Committee, Rm. 124
6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
Tues: 7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Fellowship Hall, Rm. 101
Wed: 10:00 a.m. – Loss Support Group, Hospitality Rm.
1:00 p.m. – Stitch ‘n Sew ‘n Share
6:00 p.m. – Outreach Ministry Team, Lower Narthex
7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer Youth, Fellowship Hall, Rm. 100
Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs
Sat: 9:30 a.m. – Men’s Breakfast & Fellowship, Centerville Diner

Next Sunday, January 12, 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 through Repentance* from 2 Corinthians 7:8-11 and 12:19b-21. Kathy Long is the worship leader and the Chancel Choir will sing.

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.

In God’s Service Today

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Pastor Rev. Angela Finet
Music Director John Hess
Organist Gloria Hess
Piano Gloria Hess
Worship Leader Harold Ulmer
Ushers Dave Fuchs, Joel Musser, John Musser, Daryl Strine
Acolyte Justin Walton
Puppeteer Zach Snyder
Special Music Trumpet John Hess
Children’s Ministry Kathy Long, Tess Wolford
Nursery Joan Boshnaugle
Greeters Bob & Heidi Keller, Holly Mele, Mark Yoh
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 for sending so many wonderful Christmas cards and greetings. It is so appreciated to be in your thoughts at this special time of year. I especially loved seeing the church and nativity scene in the photo and receiving so many messages from old friends and new. Blessings to all in the year ahead. - Gene and Linda Gerber

I received my bag of Christmas cards!. Thank you MCOB for thinking of me. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. - Margie Trimble

I am so blessed to be part of a giving, warm, church community such as Mountville COB. All of the wonderful Christmas cards I received were greatly appreciated. I wish I were there in person to be able to thank you all individually, but please know that my heart is warmed by your generosity and love. – Pat Shaw

Thanks so much for the lovely Christmas card bag. My granddaughter read each one to me, and we felt the love and support of this caring church family. Marian Bollinger

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, Linda, Rick, Ray, 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 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 Skippack COB. West Green Tree 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 2 Corinthians 7:8-11 and 12:19b-21. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible.

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

January 11: 9:30 a.m.: Men's Breakfast & Fellowship, Centerville Diner

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

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.

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!

2025 FLOWER CHART

The 2025 flower chart has been posted on the bulletin board outside the kitchen. Please sign your name and write V for vases or A for arrangement on the date you want to place flowers in the worship center. Remember to fill out a pink order form and turn it in with payment to the church office or put in the offering plate. Cost for one arrangement is \$43; the cost for 2 vases is \$48. Please call the church office with questions.