

Mountville Church of the Brethren



March 2, 2025

Worship 10:15 a.m.

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

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**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 *Open the Gates of the Temple* Smith

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

The voice of God is calling:

“Whom shall I send?”

We are here to answer God’s call.

The voice of Christ is calling:

“Who will be my faithful disciples?”

We are here to answer Christ’s call.

The voice of the Spirit is calling:

“Who will be a light to the nations?”

We are here. Send us, we pray!

*HYMN *Holy, holy, holy!* 120

*INVOCATION^^

RECEIVE

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 6:1-8 (9-13) OT 635

ANTHEM *Lord, Here Am I* Althouse
Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

RESPOND

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

HYMN *O worship the Lord* 124

INVITATION TO GIVE^^

OFFERTORY *Offertory in A Flat* Vierling

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom* vs. 2 119

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^

PROCLAIM

MESSAGE *Here I am, send me* Rev. Angela Finet

SEND

*HYMN *Here I am, Lord* 395

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Allegro* Albinoni

^Beu, B.J. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2025*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2014). Pg 35. Adapted.

^^Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2019*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2018). Pg 33. 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
Mon: 6:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Sanctuary
Tues: 7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102 and via Zoom
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer, Rm. 101, Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. – Un Nuevo Renacer Youth, Rm. 100
Wed: 1:00 p.m. – Stitch ‘n Sew ‘n Share, Rm. 106
7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir, Sanctuary
Thurs: 10:00 a.m. – World Day of Prayer, Rm. 102
2:45 p.m. – Power Packs
Fri: 5:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts, Fellowship Hall
Sat: 6:00 a.m. – UNR Women, Rm. 100
9:00 a.m. – Fellowship Hall Reserved
9:30 a.m. – Men’s Breakfast @ Black Olive

Next Sunday, March 9, 2025

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

- Adult Sunday School studies “Questions Jesus Asked”. Meet in room 102 at 9:00 a.m.
- 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 *The Things that Make for Peace* from Luke 19:28-42. Joel Musser is the worship leader and the Chancel Choir sings.

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 Cindy Dale
Ushers Cindy Heisey, Beth Hess, Holly Mele, Lois Silver
Anthem Chancel Choir
Children’s Ministry Kathy Long, Connie Renn
Nursery Joan Boshnaugle
Greeters Bob & Heidi Keller, Tim & Gail Wrightson
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 in celebration of William Wolford’s 19th birthday.

I would like to express my heart felt appreciation for the numerous cards that were sent following my mother’s passing. Although she was not a member of MCOB, she had a profound affection for this church and its congregation, which she developed through her regular viewing of our Sunday services, commencing in 2020. While my sisters and I were cleaning out her kitchen this past weekend, I came across stacks of cards from the MCOB congregation, which she had accumulated over the years. Her sentimental nature led her to preserve these cards, along with our church directory, pictorial directory, and handwritten notes about the strengths of various church members. – Betsy

FAMILY BOWLING OUTING FOR ALL AGES!

The Education Ministry Team would like to invite you to our 3rd Annual Bowling Outing on Saturday, March 22nd at 10:00 a.m. at Leisure Lanes. The cost is \$3.75 per game and shoe rental is **FREE!** All ages are welcome! Please sign up on the sheet across from the church mailboxes so we can reserve enough lanes. We hope to see you there! See Rebekah Priest with questions.

LENTEN DEVOTIONALS

The 2025 Lenten devotionals, “Take Up Your Cross” by Tim Harvey are now available on the narthex table.

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 Sam, 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 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 Hempfield COB. Geiger Memorial COB, Philadelphia, 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 Luke 19:28-42. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need to bring is a Bible.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Hempfield Area Food Pantry receives our March 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.

SURPLUS ALLOCATION UPDATE

At our semi-annual Congregational Forum on February 23, the congregation voted to spend the \$71,740.91 2024 budget surplus in the following manner: 30% to the Endowment Fund (our savings account); 20% to Outreach Ministry Team to include gifts to Power Packs, COBYS, and Church World Service; 15% to the Deacon Emergency Fund to help those in need; 15% to the Building Maintenance Fund; 10% for technology upgrades; 5% to the Education Ministry Team for upgrades to the Children's Wing; and 5% for a new ministry based upon our Core Values. We are in awe of the generosity of this congregation which makes all these important expenditures possible.

STATISTICS for February 23, 2025

Received for: General Fund.....\$ 4,520.60
DESIGNATED FUND
Sunday Flowers.....43.00
Misc. Designated.....20.00
Cemetery & Memorial Garden150.00

Worship: 84 Sunday School: 25

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

March 6, 10:00 a.m.: World Day of Prayer, Rm. 102

March 8: 9:30 a.m.: Men's Breakfast/Fellowship, Black Olive Diner

March 29, 9:00 a.m.: Brethren Beliefs Class, Rm. 101

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, March 6

Join with Christians across the globe in a time of prayer. Everyone is welcome to meet in room 102 at 10 am to share in spoken and unspoken prayer. Please email or call Pastor Angela with your prayer needs by Wednesday morning, March 5, for inclusion in our prayer time.

The SEEKERS CLASS studies "Questions Jesus Asked" exploring the meaning behind some of the more challenging questions posed by Jesus in the Gospels. Please join us at 9:00 a.m. downstairs on Sunday mornings in room 102.

The ANE DISTRICT WOMEN'S SPRING FELLOWSHIP is March 15th at the Mountville COB. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/WFSpring2025> no later than **TODAY**. Check-in registration begins at 8:45 a.m. March 15. Cost is \$20, which includes lunch. Dave Weiss, from the Springfield COB will be speaking and sharing his talent of painting on the theme "A New Creation". The Harrisburg First COB Praise Band will lead us in music and sharing special music. Cathy Funderwhite from the Mountville COB will preside over the event as this year's president. We look forward to seeing all the ladies of our district as we fellowship together.

EASTER FLOWERS

We will decorate the Sanctuary for Easter with spring flowers this year. If you are interested in placing a flower/s in the Sanctuary, fill out this form and place it in the offering plate or return to the church office, along with your check made payable to the Mountville Church of the Brethren. Mark your check "Easter Flowers". Your Payment must accompany your order. Deadline to order your Easter flower(s) is Sunday, March 16.

You may place as many Easter flowers as you wish in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Those names will be included in the bulletin Easter Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

	Quantity	
6" Daffodils	\$11.50	_____
4.5" Gerbera Daisies	\$ 6.00	_____
6" Tulips:	\$11.50 (choose below)	
Pink _____ Purple _____ Red _____ White _____ Yellow _____		

Total amount enclosed: _____

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