SERMON NOTES

Mountville Church of the Brethren



April 20, 2025

Worship 10:15 a.m.

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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.

MOUNTVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN



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

April 20, 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

Westminster Fanfare

arr. Callahan

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed!

Open the gates of peace and justice, that we may give thanks to God.

Today we enter the gates of the Holy One as the body of Christ.

We are called to do justice and love kindness.

Today is the day of celebration and promise.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed!

*HYMN Christ the Lord is risen today 280

*INVOCATION^^

REFLECTION ON SILENT SATURDAY

RECEIVE

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:1-12 NT 90

ANTHEMS Christ is Alive arr. Martin
Christ is Risen Pote

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

RESPOND

HYMN Christ is alive! Let Christians sing! 278

INVITATION TO GIVE^^^

OFFERTORY Crown Him with Many Crowns Ilatian

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^^^

PROCLAIM

SCRIPTURE John 20:19-23 NT 115

SERMON Peace be with you Rev. Angela Finet

*HYMN This is a day of new beginnings 640

SEND

ANTHEM Lift high the Cross arr. Lau Congregation sings as directed. Words found on insert.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Low in the Grave He Lay arr. Lowry

^Sokolove, Deborah. The Abingdon Worship Annual 2017. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2016). Pg 95. ^^Scifres, Mary. The Abingdon Worship Annual 2023. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2022). Pg 69. Adapted.

^^^Beu, B.J. The Abingdon Worship Annual 2018. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2017). Pg 85. 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: Church Office Closed

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: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs

7:00 p.m. – Leadership Team, Rm. 101

Next Sunday, April 27, 2025

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

- Adult Sunday School studies "Questions Jesus Asked" meeting 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 "Peace with Creation/Earth Day" from Genesis 1:28, 2:15-20, and Romans 8:18-23. Holly Mele is the worship leader and the Chancel Choir sings.

Please note that church office will be closed and Pastor Angela is away from ministerial duties on Monday, April 21 for the Easter Monday Holiday.

In God's Service Today

Pastor
Music Director
Organist/Piano
Worship Leader
Ushers

Rev. Angela Finet
John Hess
Gloria Hess
Phyllis Kepner
Phyllis Kepner
Ushers
Jerry Bushong, Bob Keller, Harry Light, John Musser

Conductor: Bill Kepner; Euphonium: Aaron Booz, Chuck Few; Trombone: Jim Zeigler; Trumpet: Evan Gregory, John Hess, Bruce

Chancel Choir

Wagner; Tuba: Bruce Smith

Anthem

Children's Ministry
Nursery
Beth Hess
Greeters
Bob & Heidi Keller, Tom & Gail Druck
Prayer Chain
Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security
Pete Musser

Lynn and I would like to wish all of our dear and wonderful friends and church family a lovely Easter day! Bunny hugs from Lynn Landis and Molly Mitchell

The weather has been cold and dreary but my spirits have been warmed by the cards and notes you've sent to me. Thanks so much for your thoughtfulness. - Marian

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Columbia Food Bank receives our April 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.

SCRIPTURE CHAT

We will gather by Zoom and in room 102 each Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. for Scripture Chat. This week's scriptures are Genesis 1:28, 2:15-20, Romans 8:18-23. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need 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, 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.
- 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 Heidelberg COB. Harmonyville COB is praying for us.

THE ANNUAL DISTRICT OLDER ADULT LUNCHEON is

May 14, 2025, 12:00 p.m. at Yoder's Restaurant & Banquet Hall, New Holland, PA. Cost is \$25 which includes your choice of entrée: broasted chicken, ham balls, or vegetarian lasagna; gourmet au gratin potatoes, green beans & baby carrots, tossed salad, family style dinner rolls, butter & jelly, hot and cold beverages, and Yoder's famous vanilla or chocolate ice cream. **Note**: A gluten free chicken platter and a hot and cold vegetable platter are also available. No tips or taxes are required from you! Entertainment is provided by Matt Miskie, a well known local musician and singer who specializes in folk songs from the 1950s through the early 1970s. Registration deadline is May 6, 2025. You may register online at

https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/bqhvjwv. If you have questions or need help with registration, please see Gail Druck, our ANE Sr. Adult Representative.

CAN YOU HELP?

There is a dire need for old laptops and computers, even those that don't work. Alpha & Omega Community has an amazing tech team that prepares these for refugee families. At this point, they have given all the computers that they had and there are still ten families on a waiting list. If you have one to donate, please talk to Norman Bollinger and he will be happy to take it the folks at Alpha & Omega who desperately need them.

STATISTICS for April 13, 2025

Received for: General Fund	\$ 13,953.28
DESIGNATED FUND	
Kathy VanderHeijden Social Justice	50.00
Sunday Flowers	43.00
Food Bank	30.00
Misc. Designated	9,020.00
Messenger Subscriptions	54.00

Worship: 101 Sunday School: 26

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

May 4, 11:30 a.m.: Labyrinth Walk, Fellowship Hall May 14, 12:00 p.m.: Annual District-Wide Older Adult Luncheon June 12, 6:00 p.m.: Annual Mini-Golf Outing @ Scoops.

FAMILY MINI GOLF OUTING FOR ALL AGES!

The Education Ministry Team would like to invite you to our 3rd Annual Mini Golf Outing on Thursday, June 12 at 6:00 p.m. at Scoops. All ages are welcome! Please sign up on the sheet across from the church mailboxes. We hope to see you there! See Rebekah Priest with questions.

LABYRINTH WALK

Stay after worship on May 4 and walk the labyrinth together in the fellowship hall. This is an opportunity to literally "practice what Pastor Angela preached," as our worship service will delve into the spiritual benefits of this ancient practice. All ages and abilities are welcome - finger labyrinths will be available for those who are more comfortable participating in that way.

NARTHEX DISPLAY

Tim Wrightson shares his photos collected over the years representing Spring. "Not all these photos are my work. For instance, the older B&W photos were taken in 1963 using a Kodak Brownie camera. Curtsey of my late mother, Dorothy. The photo of Gail and I taken by a friend. The remaining photos are family and places from Alaska to Lancaster. Including Philadelphia, Baltimore, Jim Thorpe, Manor Township and Strausburg. Gail and I are so grateful for our blessings and equally blessed to be able to share."

We wish to thank those persons who placed Easter flowers in the Sanctuary today in memory of or in honor of loved ones or just to add to the beauty of this Season. They are helping enhance our Easter Celebration with beauty, lovely memories, and happy thoughts. Please see Sara Wagner to pick up your plant(s) after our Easter Service.

Given by:	In Memory (M) or Honor (H) of:	Given by:	In Memory (M) or Honor (H) of:
Wendy Allshouse	M: Jim Allshouse M: Bob & Jean Allen	Jim & Kathy Long	M: Our Parents Albert & Jane Long M: Biz & Mary Mellinger
Your Sister in Christ	H: Ruthie Bushong, Ruth Moses,	Holly Mele	M: Joe Mele
	Connie Renn, Betsy Thomas, Janice Ulmer	Sue Miller	M: Chill & Pat Landis, Jim Miller
Forrest & Kitty Collier	H: Friends & Neighbors	Ruth Moses	M: My daughter, Kathy
Chuck & Terry Few:	M: Our Parents	Joel & Dawn Musser	M: B. Eugene & Mildred Musser
Angela Finet	H: My Parents, Dick & Linda Smith		M: Leroy & Edith Kauffman H: Our Children & Grandchildren
Beth Hess	M: Jean Hess	Dave & Beth Serfass	M: Herb & Phyllis Wolf
John & Gloria Hess	M: Ray & Adah Fernsler		M: Jan W. Herring M: Willard & Mary Serfass
	M: John & Helen Hess H: Geoff, Stacie & Trenton Hess		M: William Serfass
Sue Hess	M: Jack Hess	Patrick & Wanda Snyder	M: Our Parents
Suc Tress	M: Foster & Ella Eckenrod	Harold & Janice Ulmer	M: Our Parents
Lynn Landis & Molly Mitchell	M: Mary Louise & Joe Cass, Joey Cass M: Dale Beam, John Landis, M: Ted Mitchell	Shannon Woolman	M: John and Thelma Pruette
Bob & Heidi Keller	M: Ephraim & Daisy Shelly M: Amos & Harriet Keller		
The Light Family	M: Dottie Light, M: Adam & Marie Light M: John & Ada Hollingberg		