

# Mountville Church of the Brethren



**August 17, 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.

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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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Angelus* Karg-Elert

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>^</sup>**

Rejoice in the Lord always.

**Again I say, rejoice!**

Thank God for the homes that shelter us. Rejoice in the Lord always.

**Again I say, rejoice!**

Thank God for the food that nourishes us. Rejoice in the Lord always.

**Again I say, rejoice!**

Thank God for the blessing of friendships in our lives. Rejoice in the Lord always.

**Again I say, rejoice!**

\*HYMN *All praise to our redeeming Lord* 21

\*INVOCATION<sup>^^</sup>

## RECEIVE

SCRIPTURE *Philippians 4:1-20* NT 198

SPECIAL MUSIC *This is the place* Gaither/Mote

\*BLESSING OF THE STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND STAFF

\*HYMN<sup>+</sup> *God of all learning* Overhead  
*To the tune Morning has broken*

*Children ages 4-6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to worship downstairs.*

## RESPOND

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

INVITATION TO GIVE<sup>^^^</sup>

OFFERTORY *Recit Tendre Pour le Nazard* Corrette

\*SUNG RESPONSE *Spirit of the Living God* 349

\*PRAYER OF BLESSING<sup>^^^^</sup>

## PROCLAIM

SERMON *Blessing of unending relationships* Rev. Angela Finet

\*HYMN *For the beauty of the earth* 89

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Toccata in C* Seixas

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<sup>^</sup>Beu, Michael. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2021). Pg. 275. Adapted.

<sup>^^</sup>Camphouse, Anna Crews. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2025*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2024). Pg. 267. Adapted.

<sup>^^^</sup>Beu, Michael. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2026*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2025). Pg. 214

<sup>^^^^</sup>Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2019*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2020). Pg. 222.

+Gillette, Carolyn Winfrey. [https://www.carolynshymns.com/god\\_of\\_all\\_learning.html](https://www.carolynshymns.com/god_of_all_learning.html). Adapted.

**Please remember to sign the attendance pads.**



## Prayer Ministry Update

*The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. (James 5:16b)*

Please add the following people to your prayer list:

- Our prayers and sympathies go to the families of George and Janet on the passing of George on August 7, 2025.
- Continue to pray for Lew & Fay, Daryl, Johnathon, Bev, Jeanne, Marian, Linda, John, Wendy, the Fitze family, and Nick.
- Please pray for Joe Buohl as he continues his ministry training.
- Please pray for peace to prevail in Israel, Gaza, Pakistan, India, Ukraine, Nigeria, Haiti, Sudan, Venezuela, and around the world.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for Springfield COB. Cornerstone Christian 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 scriptures are Acts 17:10-15, Acts 20:1-6, Philippians 1:1-11. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need is a Bible, or one can be provided to you.

### TRANSPORTATION TO DISASTER RELIEF AUCTION - SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

The bus trip to the auction has been cancelled due to lack of interest. We could carpool from the church if there are enough people interested. Please let Janet Schwert know if you would be a driver or would like a ride no later than September 7, 2025. Thank you.

### ITEMS NEEDED FOR MOUNTVILLE COB SILENT AUCTION

We need craft items, baskets or services to be auctioned at our Silent Auction on Saturday, September 13, 2025. If possible, we would like to have a preview day on Sunday, September 7 after church. All proceeds will be sent to the Disaster Relief Auction at Lebanon on September 27. Contact Gail Druck, Phyllis Kepner, Lori Lauver, Anne Schanz, Janet Schwert, or Shannon Woolman if you can donate an item.

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

Today: 10:15 a.m.: Blessing of the Students

11:30 a.m.: All Church Pizza & Ice Cream Party in the Fellowship Hall

September 7: COBYS Bike, Hike & Tasty Tour fundraiser

September 13: Silent Auction & Dinner to benefit Disaster Relief Auction

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Columbia Food Bank receives our August 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.

### CHILDREN'S DISASTER SERVICES VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Are you looking for a meaningful way to help children and families after disasters? Do you have a warm heart, patience, team spirit a sense of adventure, and time to give? Then you maybe interested in attending the Children's Disaster Services Volunteer Training on October 17, 4:30 p.m. through October 18 at 5:30 p.m. at Elizabethtown COB with training coordinator Sandy Brubaker. A \$55 registration fee covers materials and trainer costs. Meals are provided by the host organization. Late registration, 3 weeks prior to the workshop is \$65. To learn more and /or to register visit [www.brethren.org/cds/](http://www.brethren.org/cds/). See the church bulletin board by the mailboxes for more information and paper registration forms.

### NEEDED:

Your **old lap top**, even if it is not working, is needed. The tech savy folks at Alpha & Omega Community Center in Lancaster refurbish these and they are given to refugee families. The need is ongoing. Mountville CoB has contributed about a dozen lap tops so far and the folks at Alpha & Omega are so very grateful. So if you got a new lap top and no longer need the one you had, please give it to Norman and he will be sure that it gets to Alpha & Omega to be used with refugee families. Thanks for giving what you no longer need to someone who can use it.