

Mountville Church of the Brethren



September 28, 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.*

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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 *Chaconne in G Minor* Couperin

***CALL TO WORSHIP[^]**

God calls to us, that we may worship together.

**God calls us away from our distractions and assumptions, that we
might hear the words of life;**

Words that call us to reflect, to repent, and to be replenished.

**Let us hear God's transforming words, even as we offer
our worship.**

*HYMN *God of grace and God of glory* 366

*INVOCATION^{^^}

RECEIVE

SCRIPTURE Luke 16:19-31 NT 79

CHORAL ANTHEM *Do Not Let Your Heart Be Troubled* Larson

BLESSING THE JOURNEY

Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

RESPOND

HYMN *Outside my gate, outside my door* Overhead
To the tune of #623 When love is found

INVITATION TO GIVE^{^^^}

OFFERTORY *Andante* Bach

*DOXOLOGY Overhead

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^{^^^^}

PROCLAIM

MESSASGE *Building Bridges not Gates* Rev. Angela Finet

*HYMN *Brothers and sisters of mine* 142

SEND

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Bouree* Roman

^Finet, Angela.

^^Ellis, Karin. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2019*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2018). Pg. 210. Adapted.

^^^Beu, B.J. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2025*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2024). Pg. 220. Adapted.

^^^^Spencer-Brown, Tracy. <https://katyandtheword.com/2017/02/20/rich-man-and-lazarus-lenten-links-of-prayer-for-narrative-lectionary/>

Please remember to sign the attendance pads.

THIS WEEK

Today: 10:15 a.m. – Worship, Sanctuary
Tues: 9:00 a.m. – Peace & Justice mtg., Rm. 106
3:00 p.m. – Bread baking, Kitchen
7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 101 & Zoom
Wed: 1:00 p.m. – Stitch ‘n Sew ‘n Share, Rm. 106
7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir, Sanctuary
Thurs: 1:00 p.m. – Sabbath Book Study, Rm. 106
2:45 p.m. – Power Packs

Next Sunday, October 5, 2025

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

- Adult Sunday School studies meets in Room 102. Walt VanderHeijden is teaching on Josh Scott's *Putting Jesus' Parables in Their Place*.
- Birth through pre-K meets in the nursery, room 122.
- Elementary class for grades K-6 meets in room 123.
- Jr. High class meets in room 100.

10:15 a.m. We gather to worship God.

Next Sunday Pastor Angela shares “Come Hungry” from Acts 2:42-47. Patrick Snyder is the worship leader and the Chancel Choir sings.

Nursery is available in room 122.

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.

In God’s Service Today

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Ministers	ALL of Us
Pastor	Rev. Angela Finet
Music Director	John Hess
Organist	Gloria Hess
Worship Leader	Harold Ulmer
Acolyte	Autumn Priest
Ushers	Wendy Allshouse, Dave Fuchs, Joel Musser, Daryl Strine
Anthem	Chancel Choir
Children’s Ministry	Joyce Kerns
Nursery	Lori Lauver
Greeters	Bob & Heidi Keller, Lynn Landis, Molly Mitchell
Prayer Chain	Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security	Pete Musser

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The flowers in the worship center are given to the glory and honor of God and in loving memory of my beloved husband, Ted Mitchell, by Molly and family.

Jeanne wants to genuinely thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and visits during her recent hospital stay.

SCRIPTURE CHAT

We gather by Zoom and in room 102 each Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. for Scripture Chat. This week’s scripture is Acts 2:42-47. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need is a Bible, or one can be provided to you.

Prayer Ministry Update

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

From the Pastoral Relations Team: Dear Lord, we pray that you continue to bless and inspire Pastor Angela. Give her quiet times of Sabbath rest and meditation. Sustain her in all ways as she continues to serve this church. We thank you for her loving care for our congregation.

Please include the following people in your prayers:

- Lew & Fay, John, the Fitze family, and Nick.
- Joe Buohl as he continues his ministry training.
- Please pray for peace in Israel, Gaza, Pakistan, India, Ukraine, Nigeria, Haiti, Sudan, Venezuela, and around the world.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for Paxton COB. Light of the Gospel Fellowship, NY is praying for us.

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

Oct. 5: Love Feast Carry in meal, 11:15 a.m.

Oct. 25: Congregational Forum, 11:15 a.m.

Nov. 1: "Chalk Talk" with Elva Horst, 6:30 p.m.

CHALK TALK

All are invited to attend "Chalk Talk" with Elva Horst on Saturday, November 1 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Desserts to be served. Watch for more details in the October bulletins. Sponsored by the Congregational Fellowship Committee.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Hempfield Area Food Pantry receives our September 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.

STATISTICS for September 21, 2025

Received for: General Fund.....\$ 9,389.85

DESIGNATED FUND

Sunday Flowers.....106.00

Kits.....45.00

Worship in Person: 92 Online: 38 Sunday School: 32

LOVE FEAST REIMAGINED

Everyone is invited to stay after worship on **Sunday, October 5**, to partake in one of our most sacred ordinances, Love Feast! But just because something is cherished and holy doesn't mean God isn't doing a new thing! Bring a dish to share, because our fellowship meal will be a potluck! We have also made changes to the hand/footwashing portion of the service to make folks more comfortable. See the October newsletter for more information, or talk to Jerry Bushong, deacon chair, or Pastor Angela. Come, meet Jesus around the table, for it is he who issues this invitation....to you.

A/V VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Livestreaming our worship services serves an important need in our faith community and beyond. Dozens of people join us faithfully each week, and are able to worship with us thanks to the A/V (audio/visual) volunteers. We are looking for a few people to "view worship from a new perspective" once a month. Don't be intimidated by all the buttons - a little training will have you navigating them with great ease and confidence. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to try something new! And then talk to Dell about your interest.