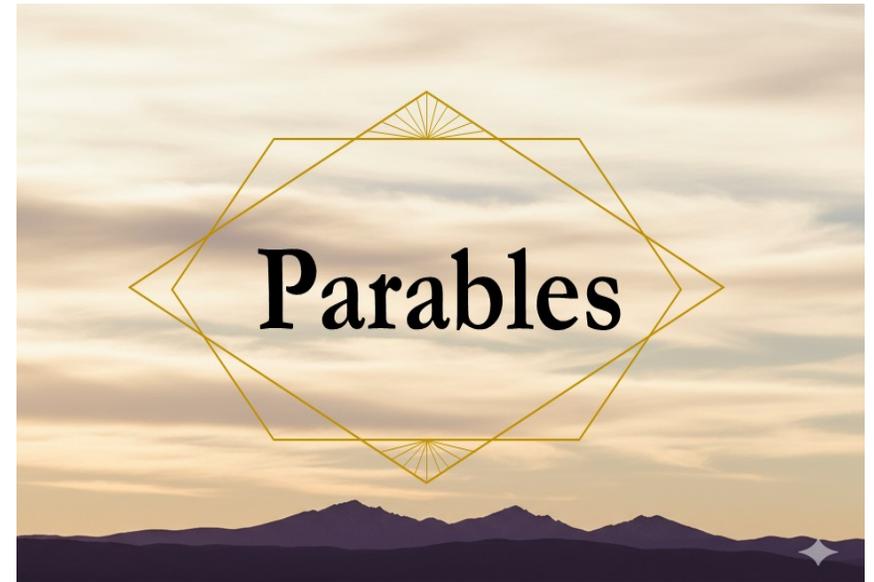


Mountville Church of the Brethren



November 16, 2025

Worship 10:15 a.m.

60 Clay St., Mountville, PA 17554

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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.*

November 16, 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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *10,000 Reasons* M. Redman, J. Myrin

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Invited by God,

we gather to worship.

Partnering with God,

we gather to grow in faith,

and to share God's grace with the world!

*HYMN *Here in this place* 6

*INVOCATION^^

RECEIVE

SCRIPTURE Luke 14:15-24 NT 77

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Stand* Joel Houston
Children ages 4-6th grade are invited to worship downstairs.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

RESPOND

HYMN *A King planned a party* Overhead
(To the tune of #478 Sent forth by God's blessing)

INVITATION TO GIVE^^^

OFFERTORY *My Tribute* Andraé Crouch

*SUNG RESPONSE *Paise God from whom* Overhead

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^

PROCLAIM

MESSAGE *Guess who's coming to dinner* Rev. Angela Finet

*HYMN *O let all who thirst* 495

SEND

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune* Johnson

^Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Manual 2020*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN, 2019). Pg. 220. Adapted.

^^<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/09/opening-prayer-matthew-22-1-14.html>

^^^van de Laar, John. <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/09/prayer-amazing-invitation.html>. Adapted.

Please remember to sign the attendance pads.

STATISTICS for November 9, 2025

Received for: General Fund.....\$ 6,041.45

DESIGNATED FUND

Sunday Flowers.....	43.00
Poinsettias	28.00
Church Music.....	45.00
Food Banks	265.00

Worship in Person: 87 Online: 37 Sunday School: 34

THIS WEEK

Today: 10:15 a.m. – Worship, Sanctuary
 Tues: 8:50 a.m. – Peace & Justice mtg., Rm. 106
 11:30 a.m. – Pastoral Relations Team, Rm. 101
 7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102 and Zoom
 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, November 23, 2025

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

- Adult Sunday School studies meets in Room 102 and will continue to look at Peace and Justice issues.
- 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 “The Parable of Small Nuisance” from Matthew 13:31-32. John Musser 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	Sarah Repkoe
Ushers	Jerry Bushong, Barry Lauver, Harry Light, Daryl Strine
Special Music	Vocal and guitar Brian Mueller
Children’s Ministry	Kathy Long, Beth Hess
Nursery	Betsy Thomas
Greeters	Bob & Heidi Keller, Carl & Louise Harnish
Prayer Chain	Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security	Carl Harnish

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Holly Mele gives flowers in the worship center to the glory and honor of God and in memory of Jim Meley and in honor of Peggy Meley’s birthday.

Brian Mueller is a professional singer, actor, music teacher and director who has either sung, appeared or played at the Fulton, Gretna, Dutch Apple, Prima, Cleveland Play House, Great Lakes Theatre, Porthouse Theatre, and many others. He teaches voice, guitar, piano and bass at Creative Pursuits Studio in Lancaster, PA. He is married and a father of two growing boys.

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 Matthew 13:31-32. The link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need is a Bible, or one can be provided to you.

NARTHEX DISPLAY CASES

Do you have a Nativity Set that you would like to share and display in the narthex during the advent season? If you would like to participate, please bring your Nativity to the church office by November 30 and enjoy the display through the Advent and Christmas season.

Prayer Ministry Update

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

From the Pastoral Relations Team: Dear God: Thank you for Pastor Angela and for a congregation that blesses and sustains us through prayer and acts of kindness. We join in love to share each other's joys and burdens as we work and worship as the body of Christ. Together we are a powerful witness to God's glory with the capacity to improve lives in our church, our community, and our world. Thank you, God, for our Mountville COB. Amen. - Pastoral Relations Team

Please include the following people in your prayers:

- Louise, 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.
- Pray for the people in Jamaica in the aftermath of Hurricane Melissa.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for Mechanic Grove COB. Spring Creek COB is praying for us.

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

Nov. 27: Thanksgiving Day, Office closed.

Dec. 7: Community Christmas Concert, 2:00 p.m.

Dec. 7: Christmas Supper & Carol Sing, 4:30 p.m.

Dec. 8: Blue Christmas Service at Concordia Lutheran, 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 13: Men's & Women's Breakfasts @ Black Olive Diner, 9:00 am

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Service, 7:00 p.m.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Hempfield Area Food Bank receives our November Food Cart items. These can be placed in the cart in the lower entrance by the elevator.

They are in need of the following items: cream of celery soup, chicken rice soup, chunky soups, Lentils - 1 pound bags, cry beans, chick peas, black beans, canned chicken (small size), canned tuna, pancake syrup. Please remember no perishables, **glass**, or outdated items. Monetary donations may be placed in the offering with "food bank" on the envelope.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SEA GOING COWBOYS

If the article on sea going cowboys piqued your interest, you may pick up a copy of Floyd Bantz's recollections from the table in the narthex where he writes of his experiences on board the F. J. Luckenbach. For additional information, you may also visit seagoingcowboys.com to read other first hand accounts and find more details on the program. Thanks to Kathy Bantz Ashworth for sharing her Father's story!



Christmas Poinsettias

As in years past, we will decorate the Sanctuary on the fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve with poinsettias. If you are interested in placing a poinsettia in the Sanctuary, please fill out this form and place it in the offering plate along with your check made payable to the Mountville Church of the Brethren. Mark your check "Poinsettia". YOUR PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ORDER. Deadline to order your poinsettia(s) is November 30.

This year all poinsettias will be **WHITE**. You may place as many poinsettias as you wish in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Those names will be included in the bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Please write in the amount you wish to order.

4 1/2" branch poinsettia White \$ 9.00 _____

Total amount enclosed: _____

Please print the names below exactly as you want them to appear in the bulletin.

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