

Mountville Church of the Brethren



May 24, 2026

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.*

May 24, 2026 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 in spirit.**

GATHERING MUSIC

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Maestoso* Merkel

GATHER

*CALL TO WORSHIP^

Through growing pains and awkward phases, we wondered...

am I always going to feel this way?

Before we came to this community, we wondered...

where could I find a spiritual home?

We all come from different backgrounds and hold different views, and we wonder...

how can we faithfully hold space for so many differences of opinion?

We look to the future of our church and our world, and we wonder...

where will God call us to go next? Then the Spirit of the Divine reminds us,

“You are all a part of me. You are wind for soaring, and you can emerge to renewed life. Again and again.”

*HYMN *Holy Spirit, come with power* 26

*INVOCATION^^

RECEIVE

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:1-4, 10:34-36 NT 119

CHORAL ANTHEM *As a song among the trees* Martin

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

RECOMMIT

HYMN *Spirit of the Living God* 349
(sing 2 x)

INVITATION TO GIVE^^^

OFFERTORY *Prayer* Lemmens

*DOXOLOGY Overhead

*PRAYER OF BLESSING^^^

PROCLAIM

MESSAGE *Journey: The places we will go* Rev. Angela Finet

*HYMN *Morning has broken* 648

GO

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Baroque Trumpet* Young

^McFee, Marcia. *Emerge*. Worship Design Studio, 2023.

^^Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2023*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2022). Pg 101.

^^^Scifres, Mary. *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2019*. (Abingdon Press: Nashville, TN. 2018). Pg 135.

Please remember to sign the attendance pads.

STATISTICS for May 17, 2026

Received for: General Fund \$ 6,154.51

DESIGNATED FUND

Food Bank20.00
Global Food Initiative 45.00
Messenger Subscriptions54.00
Kits 100.00
Good Samaritan Deacon Fund 4,000.00
Cemetery & Memorial Garden Maintenance 96.80

Worship in Person: 79 Online: 32 Sunday School: 25

THIS WEEK

Today: 10:15 a.m. – Worship, Sanctuary
Mon: Memorial Day – Office open, Angela works @ home
Tues: 7:00 p.m. – Scripture Chat, Rm. 102 & Zoom
Wed: 11:45 a.m. – Stitch ‘n Sew ‘n Share @ Longhorn Steakhouse
Thurs: 2:45 p.m. – Power Packs

Next Sunday, May 31, 2026

10:15 a.m. We gather to worship God. Symbol: Cross
Next Sunday Pastor Angela shares “Radical Discipleship” from Luke 9:23-27, 14:25-33. Tim Wrightson is the worship leader Gloria Hess provides our special music.

Nursery is available in room 122.

Children’s Worship: Family Worship.
All children will worship in the sanctuary today.

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	Holly Fisher Mele
Anthem	Chancel Choir
Ushers	Dave Fuchs, Barry Lauver, Joel Musser, Daryl Strine
Choral Anthem	Chancel Choir
Children’s Ministry	Family Worship
Nursery	Joan Boshnaugle
Greeters	Bob & Heidi Keller, Beth Hess, Shannon Woolman
Prayer Chain	Cathy Funderwhite, Karen Strine
Security	Pete Musser

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A NOTE OF APPRECIATION

Thank you to everyone who made our new hallway exhibit come to life. Nearly everyone had a part to play, including: all who participated in the Core Values Bible Studies, Harold Ulmer, Charlie Worrall, Bob Keller, Kristen Stemmer, Barry Lauver, Don Dale, Beth Serfass, Cindy Heisey, Sara Wagner, Tim Wrightson, Brunner and Associates, pipe organ builders, Silver Spring, and Perfect Image photo finishing, Lancaster. A special thanks to those whose images grace the walls. We believe this display visually represents the breadth of who we are as Followers of Jesus in this place. For more information on the process it took to achieve this stunning display, please check out the *May New Vision* newsletter, which you can find on our website.

WEAR YOUR CROSS NEXT WEEK

On Sunday, May 31, we begin our exploration of the Annual Conference theme, *Imagine*, by exploring what the cross means to us - and how it informs our way of living. If you have a cross necklace, earrings, tie tack, cuff-links, t-shirt, or socks, please wear them!

Prayer Ministry Update

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

From the Pastoral Relations Team: Prayer for May.

Dear Lord, we ask for a fresh outpouring of your love and support for our pastor. With your mighty power strengthen her ability to minister to us. When she feels overwhelmed or exhausted from her many responsibilities clothe her with your love and support, that she may continue to minister in the way you have planned for her. Guide her decisions and keep her spirit warmed by your presence. Amen.

Please include the following people in your prayers:

- Chuck, Janet, John, the Fitze family, and Nick.
- Joe Buohl following his graduation from seminary.
- Please pray for peace in Lebanon, Gaza, Iran, Ukraine, Nigeria, Haiti, Sudan, Venezuela, and around the world.
- District Prayers: Today we are praying for the Springfield COB. Germantown COB is praying for us.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Hempfield Area Food Pantry receives our May Food Cart items. They are in need of canned fruit (all kinds 15 oz.), bagged dry beans (16 oz.), canned baked beans, canned garbanzo beans, canned peas, canned potatoes, canned cream of mushroom soup, large creamy peanut butter, canned chick peas, canned mixed vegetables, canned spinach, crackers, Mac / cheese, cereal, and granola bars. 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.

HYMN SING

All are invited to a hymn sing led by Bob Kettering at the historic Bucher Meeting House, 376 Schaeffer Rd (PA-419), Lebanon, on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.

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

May 31: Hymn sing at Bucher Meeting House, 3:00 p.m.

June 7: All Church Talent Show & Covered Dish.

June 11: All Church Mini Golf @ Boulders, 6:00 p.m.

June 17: Chair Yoga, 11:30 a.m.

CALLING ALL TALENT

Your help is needed to make the annual talent show a big success! Sunday, June 7th will be the potluck luncheon and talent show following morning worship. We can use singing (group or individual), instrumental, dance, comedy, magic, poetry, you name it, we look forward to seeing it!

The sign-up sheet is on the board across from the church mailboxes, today through May 31st. Please sign up as soon as possible. Help make our show a fun event. – Congregation Fellowship Committee

FAMILY MINI-GOLF OUTING FOR ALL AGES

The Education Ministry Team would like to invite you to our 4th Annual Mini Golf Outing on Thursday, June 11 at 6:00 p.m. at Boulders Miniature Golf located at Scoops Ice Cream and Grille, Mountville. 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.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL FORUM

There will be a special Congregational Forum on Sunday, June 14 immediately after church to vote on proposed renovations to the Sanctuary. Nathan Fry from Funk Construction and architect Scott Shonk will meet with us in the Sanctuary to show the plans that have been created with guidance from the Sanctuary Committee. Per our Constitution, a 2/3 majority vote will be needed to approve the project. Please plan to stay after church on June 14 to participate in this important decision.

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 9:23-27, 14:25-33. A link will be sent each Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome. All you need is a Bible, or one can be provided to you.