

Our Mission
-A family of God growing in Christ, empowered to serve -

Worship
March 12, 2023
9:30 a.m.



Gathering Music

Welcome and Informal Moments

Prelude *Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me* Henri Frederick Hemy

Call to Worship

*Opening Praise

There Is Power in the Blood (#225)
The Old Rugged Cross (#230)

*Prayer

Anthem *The Carpenter's Son* Chancel Choir
by Pamela Martin and Craig Courtney

Teaching Scripture and Offering Reflection

Luke 7:36-50; Revelation 7:20

Praise for Our Gifts and Offerings

I Surrender All (#433)

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon *Table Manners* Ian Irvin

*Sending *Oh, How I Love Jesus (#560)*

*Benediction

*Postlude

(*All who are able, please stand.)

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:

Pianist Robin Faust-Hambright
Music Leadership Elizabeth Thorpe
Bringing and Taking the Light Jacob Shaffer

Today, March 12th

Childcare is available for infants thru age 4 in the Crib Room during the 9:30 a.m. worship service and the Sunday School hour following.

Christian Education is happy to announce that all our Sunday School classrooms for 2023 have been finalized. For a schedule of what classes are available and where they are, please see any of the bulletin boards throughout the church. If you would like your own copy, please contact the church office.

Lenten Meditation and Reflection Services will be held TONIGHT March 12th, & Sunday, March 19th at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. This is a time of quiet reflection as we journey with Jesus through his last days on this earth.

Mid-Week Connection Planning Committee will meet on Monday, March 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Church Board will meet on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Mini-Fellowship Hall (open to church members).

Table and Board Games held on **Wednesdays** from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. in the first floor of the Brethren Haus. Come join the fun!

No Youth Group will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 due to Yard Sale set-up. We will resume meeting on Wednesday, March 22nd!

The Loving Hearts will meet on March 16th at 12:00 noon at Stoner's Restaurant. We are celebrating Christmas in March. We had to cancel our Christmas luncheon twice in December, so this is our opportunity to make up for that. There will be a \$5.00 gift exchange if you would like to bring a present. You are also welcome to come and have lunch with us and enjoy the fellowship. If you have any questions, please contact Vivian Fisher or Lori Stoner.

Stewardship Commission will meet on Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Rockingham Male Chorus from Virginia will be giving a concert at our church Sunday evening, March 26 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Rockingham Male Chorus, which started in 1966 and continues today praising God through music, have given over 1400 programs. They performed at our church several years ago, and it was wonderful! Please mark your calendar for this concert.

Can you believe it's almost time for our Easter Parade? It'll be here before we know it on Saturday, April 1st from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Be sure to mark your calendars now!

We need small, wrapped candy donations for our Kids Easter Parade being held on Saturday, April 1, 2023. There is a box located in the Brethren Life Center Lobby for drop-off. Thank you for your candy donation.

INDOOR YARD SALE - March 16, 17, 18, 2023

Thursday – March 16th- Noon - 7:00 PM

Friday - March 17th- 8:00 AM-1:00 PM

Saturday – March 18th- 8:00 AM-1:00 PM

Donations can come to the Church building beginning

Monday, March 13th!

We will have volunteers at the church from 11:30 AM until 1:30 PM on Monday through Wednesday (March 13-15) to help carry in any donations. If you have heavy or bulky items and need help getting them to the church, we will have a crew with an enclosed trailer to help.

It will be available by advance appointment only.

Food donations and help are needed. Sign-up sheets are available in the Brethren Life Center Lobby and the Narthex.

Deadline for April Pastor’s Pen is Sunday, March 19, 2023.

Please submit all information to the church office.

The Helping Hands Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 21, 2023

at 6:30 p.m. in the Mini-Fellowship Hall. We will be assembling College Care Packages. Please bring the item you signed-up for.

Personnel and Nominating Committee will meet on Tuesday,

March 21, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Easter Food Drive - During the Sunday mornings of March 26th and April 2nd we will be conducting a food drive of Easter dinner related non-perishable items. Items needed include canned hams, Stove Top stuffing, scalloped or au gratin potatoes, granola bars, single pudding cups, single fruit cups, cake and brownie mixes. All donations will be taken to SCCAP following the collection. Items will be collected in the BLC lobby.

Palm Sunday Worship – April 2, 2023

9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

NO Sunday School

Immediately following Worship

LOVE FEAST AND COMMUNION

in our Brethren Life Center

Our Deacons invite all to come as we eat a simple meal together, serve one another through the washing of hands or feet, and celebrate his death and resurrection with the traditional bread and juice of holy communion.

**The Love Feast will be family friendly with children,
ages 5 and older welcome to participate.**

***Childcare for younger children will be provided.**

Preaching Schedule– March 19 – Ali Toms;

March 26 – Gretchen Sortzi; April 2 – Tim Monn

Volunteers Needed for Camp Eder Clean Up Day on Saturday, March 25th, 2023. Call 717-642-8256 to register if you can help!

Bus Trip to Sight and Sound to see “Moses” – Thursday,

April 27, 2023. Depart church at 8:00 a.m. with show time at 11:00 a.m.; stop for meal (Plain & Fancy Farm Restaurant) and return to church. Cost for bus, tickets, meal is \$158 for Adults and \$114 for Children (ages 3/12 yrs.) Payment is due upon sign up and payable to Chambersburg Church of the Brethren. If you are unable to attend after signing up, you are responsible for getting a replacement. Reservation deadline is March 15th. Sign-up in the Brethren Life Center lobby.

Church Board Minutes from the meeting held February 7, 2023 are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex and Brethren Life Center Lobby for anyone to view.

Church Office Hours – The Executive Committee made a slight change to church office hours that will go into effect immediately. The hours are as follows: 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM Monday through Thursday with lunch from 12:30 PM to 1:00 PM. Friday hours will be from 8:00 AM until 12 Noon. Carol handles church business on Sunday mornings on a regular basis and also attends all Board meetings which more than covers her Friday afternoon hours. If there is an emergency, our pastors can be contacted by cell phone.

Needed: Non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry. Place items in the barrel located in the Brethren Life Center Lobby. Please check expiration dates on the items as some have been outdated.

Church Closing Schedule - March – Terry Gibbons;

April – Brian Dearth

March 5, 2023

Worship – 133 Sunday School – 73

Actual Income through 1/31/23	\$ 42,263.00
Actual Expenses through 1/31/23	\$ 32,594.00
Net as of 1/31/23	\$ 9,669.00

Pastor of Administration and Congregational Life: Elizabeth Thorpe

Administrative Assistant: Carol Wingert

Associate Pastor of Christian Education and Youth Ministries: Gretchen Sortzi

Associate Pastor of Worship and Preaching – Ali Toms

Associate Pastor of Congregational Life and Preaching – Ian Irvin

Sunday Worship – 9:30 AM - Sunday School – 10:30 AM

Office Hours 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM - Monday – Thursday– Lunch 12:30 – 1:00 p.m.

Friday – 8:00 a.m. until 12 Noon

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