

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

Worship
September 3, 2023
9:30 a.m.

Gathering Music

Welcome and Informal Moments

Prelude

Come, Labor On

arr. J. Dixon

Call to Worship

Nicholas Wingert

*Praise

Serve the Lord with Gladness (#382)
O Jesus, I Have Promised (#501)

*Prayer

Offering Reflection and Prayer

Offertory

Meditation II

M. Kim

*Presentation of Gifts

Make Me a Servant (#381)

Pastoral Prayer

Song

Come As You Are

Teaching Scripture

Matthew 20:1-16 MSG

Sermon

A Labor of Love

Pastor Liz

*Sending

Graves Into Gardens

*Benediction

*Postlude

Eventide

arr. B. Portman

(*All who are able, please stand.)

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:

Organist

Pamela Wert

Music Leadership

Elizabeth Thorpe

Worship Leadership

Nicholas Wingert

Today, September 3rd

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.

Join us in the Mini-Fellowship Hall today, September 3rd for an Annual Conference Wrap-Up from our delegates Linda Ross and Ali Toms. Our K-5 and Preschool classes are also combining to study the *Veggie Tale* Series.

A Women's Bible Study is being held on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in Room 7 (Challengers Sunday School classroom). Pastor Liz leads this study, and it is open to all ladies. Plan to join!

"Refresh and Renew: R&R in Christ" is a ministry led by Pastor Liz via Zoom on Wednesday mornings beginning at 9:00 a.m. This is a time of quiet reflection, scripture reading, and sharing – a time to slow down from our busyness and be quiet in the presence of God. Please contact Liz at the church office (717-264-6957) or by email at lizthorpe62@gmail.com if you want to join and she will send the Zoom link to you.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 4, 2023 in observance of Labor Day.

Christian Education Commission will meet on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Deacons Commission will meet on Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Mini-Fellowship Hall.

Mid-Week to Go.....plan to join us on Wednesday, September 6th between 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. for a meal delivered to your car! First come-first served basis.

Don't Miss the Church Picnic.....Sunday, September 10th at Hamilton Ruritan Picnic Grounds on Edenville/Cheestown Road (*note change of location this year*). We will eat at 4:30 p.m. Please sign up in the Lobby or Narthex with your name, the number of people attending and what dish you will bring. Chicken will be provided. Each family is asked to bring one dish to share, place settings, and lawn chairs. Good food and good fellowship!

Annual Bookbag Blessing on Sunday, September 10th. This blessing is for any teacher, student, administrator...anyone in a school setting. Come and let us pray for you. Youth are encouraged to bring their bookbags.

Food items are needed for District Conference on Sept 15th. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex & the BLC Lobby. Items needed are mini muffins, breakfast breads, donut holes, grapes, apples, orange juice and PIES. Have your items in the church kitchen on Friday, Sept 15.

The Church Board will meet on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Mini-Fellowship Hall (open to church members).

Volunteers are needed to provide snacks each week for our Youth Group meetings. If you are interested in helping out, please sign up in the lobby!

Special Offerings will be held on Sunday, September 10, 2023 and Sunday, September 17, 2023 to benefit the 46th Annual Brethren Disaster Relief Auction at the Lebanon Valley Expo Center. Please use the special offering envelopes provided.

The Church is asking for help in recycling electronic waste items. The Borough of Chambersburg will be collecting items September 13th through the 16th from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Wednesday from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. If you are willing to take items for the church, please stop in the church office that week to pick up. Thanks for your help!

Youth Group will be returning Wednesday, September 20th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Youth from 6th thru 12th grades are encouraged to attend and do not have to be members of our church.

Table Games will begin on Wednesday, September the 20th in the Brethren Haus from 1-4. All are welcome for this fellowship. We decide what to play once gathered. If you wish you may bring a game. Snacks are welcome, but not necessary.

Church Board Minutes from the meeting held August 8, 2023 are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex and Brethren Life Center Lobby for anyone to view.

Bus Trip to Sight and Sound – “*The Miracle of Christmas*” on Thursday, November 16, 2023. Depart the church at 8:00 a.m.; stop for meal (Bird-in-Hand Family Restaurant) and return to church at approximately 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$150 per person and includes bus, ticket, and meal. Payment is due upon sign-up (If you are unable to attend after signing up, you are responsible for getting a replacement.) Make check payable to Rhonda DeShong and give to Rhonda or Carol Wingert in the office. Sign-up in the Brethren Life Center lobby.

Preaching Schedule – September 10 – Gretchen Sortzi;
September 17 – Ian Irvin; September 24 – Ali Toms

46th Annual Brethren Disaster Relief Auction will be held at the Lebanon Valley Expo, 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, Pa on Friday, Sept. 22nd and Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Special Offerings are being collected for this event by our church.

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 - September – Sam Wingert;
October – Brian Deardorff

Friday and Saturday, September 15-16, 2023 - Southern PA District Church of the Brethren District Conference at Chambersburg Church of the Brethren, 260 S. 4th Street, Chambersburg, PA.

Saturday, September 16, 2023 – Annual Corporation Meeting of The Brethren Home Foundation at 9:20 a.m. at the Chambersburg Church of the Brethren, 260 S. 4th Street, Chambersburg, PA.

Saturday, September 16th, 2023 –Annual Corporation Meeting of the members of CHILDREN’S AID SOCIETY, INC. at 10:15 AM at the Chambersburg Church of the Brethren, 260 S. 4th Street, Chambersburg, PA.

To give online, please scan



August 27, 2023

Worship – 81 Sunday School - 21

Actual Income through 7/31/23	\$271,258.87
Actual Expenses through 7/31/23	\$244,901.32
Net as of 7/31/23	\$ 26,357.55

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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