

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

Worship
November 30, 2025
9:30 a.m.

The 1st Sunday of Advent

Welcome and Informal Moments

Prelude *Hark! the herald-angels sing* arr. J. Rubino

Call to Imagine and Worship
Lighting the Candle of Hope

*Hymn *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* (#176)

Prayer

Anthem *Bethlehem Procession* (P. Choplin) Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Prayer

Offertory *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* arr. J. W. Greene

*Presentation of Gifts *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (#175)

Teaching Scripture Micah 5:2-4 NRSV

Sermon *Imagine Hope!* Ali Toms

*Sending *O Little Town of Bethlehem* (#196)

*Benediction

*Postlude *While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks* arr. A. Fedak

(*All who are able, please stand.)

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:

Director of Music and Organist
Worship Leadership

Pamela Wert
Tim Monn

Today, November 30th

Childcare is available for infants through Kindergarten during the 9:30 a.m. worship service, as well as during the Sunday School hour. Nursery/Toddlers (age 0-2) are in room #4 on the lower level. Pre-school/Kindergarten (age 3-5) are in room #6 on the lower level.

Contemporary Worship Service TODAY at 10:45am! "Coffee Corner" will be open 15 minutes prior to that time for fellowship and light refreshment. While we see this service as a mission to reach young adults and families, it will relate to all ages. The short sermons speak to real life experiences, and the hands-on interactions help make faith personal and build community. If you do not attend Sunday School, come join us at 10:45 am in the Brethren Life Center.

Next Sunday, December 7th, in keeping with our recent tradition, we will be taking some time in our worship service for a "**Blue Sunday**" time of remembrance for church members and loved ones who have passed over the last 12 months. We typically read the names one at a time while a photo is projected on the screen. A family member or members are invited to come forward to light a candle in their memory. In addition to church members who have passed, if you have a loved one whom you would like to be included in the remembrance, please contact Carol by Tuesday, if possible.

Women's Bible Study will be taking a Holiday Hiatus until Spring when we will continue our study of Ephesians.

The Church Board will meet on Tuesday, December 2, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Mini-Fellowship Hall. All church members are welcome to attend. If you have an agenda item for the Board, please contact Marsha Smith one week prior to the meeting.

Mid-Week to Go.....plan to join us on Wednesday, December 3rd between 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. for a meal delivered to your car! First come-first served basis.

The next 4th Street Kids programming (grades 1-5) will be held Wednesday, December 3rd, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Families of Youth and Kids are invited to share in the light supper in the Brethren Life Center.

Church Closing Schedule – November -Terry Gibbons;
December – Donald Lehman

Cookies Needed for the Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry – If you can help provide 2 or 3 dozen cookies to be given to the Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry Cookie Collection, please bring to the church kitchen before worship on Sunday, December 7, 2025. The cookies are given to truckers and travelers in south central PA during the holiday season.

The Church Board will meet on Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Mini-Fellowship Hall. All church members are welcome to attend. If you have an agenda item for the Board, please contact Marsha Smith one week prior to the meeting.

Gettysburg Train Ride on Sunday, December 7th at 3:00 p.m. We will meet at the train station in Gettysburg! Enjoy a first-class train ride near the battlefield, with views of the Eternal Light Peace Memorial and the picturesque countryside. The train ride is approximately 1 ½ hours. Free parking by the train station. Cost is \$30 per person. Sign-up Sheets are available in the Brethren Life Center Lobby and Narthex.

Hoodie Drive for students in Grades 1st-12th. The church will be collecting new or gently used hoodies & jackets for the youth. We will be collecting sizes Youth – x-small, small, medium, large and extra-large and Adults – x-small, small, medium, large and extra-large. We will be collecting through November 30th. Pick-up date will be Wednesday, December 10th from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. with light refreshments provided. Please place your donation in the drop off box in the Brethren Life Center lobby.

Christmas Giving Tree - Spread Holiday Cheer by picking a tag from our Giving Tree in the Brethren Life Center lobby, purchase gifts on the wishlist, and bring it back wrapped along with the tree tag by December 16th. Place gifts under the tree in the Brethren Life Center Lobby. Gifts will be picked up by families by appointment only on Sunday, December 21st.

Smart Cookies Preschool is looking for several people who can be Substitute Teachers and/or Substitute teacher's Assistants in our program. Our staff is rarely ill, but when they are we need a list of willing and able subs. When you substitute, you are paid for your time. To apply please contact Amy Kobie by email at Amy.Kobie@chambcob.org, or call the church office to express your interest. We are also looking for a Santa Claus for our December 18th Christmas Party for the students and their families. Volunteer to either Ms. Kobie or Tim Monn.

Camp Eder Christmas Tree Festival - Celebrate the birth of Jesus at Camp Eder’s Christmas Tree Festival on December 12 & 13 from 5-9 pm. See the woods transformed by lights and luminaries, take a hayride, make s’mores at an outside fire pit and warm up inside with a hot meal, cozy fire, bake sale and enjoy all the decorated Christmas trees.

Bus Trip to see Joshua at Sight and Sound! - A Bus Trip is planned to Sight and Sound in Lancaster to see “*Joshua*” on Tuesday, April 28, 2026. Depart church at 8:00 a.m. with show time at 11:00 a.m. Enjoy a family style meal at Riehl’s Quilts and Craft Shop, an authentic Amish Home beginning at 2:15 p.m. Departure for home at approximately 4:15 p.m. Cost for bus, tickets, and meal is \$170 for Adults and \$109 for Children (ages 3 thru 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. Sign-up in the Brethren Life Center lobby.

To give online, please scan



November 23, 2025

Worship – 128 Sunday School - 34

Unified Budget Needed to Date	\$461,794.35
Actual Income through 10/31/25	\$354,492.90
Actual Expenses through 10/31/25	\$412,472.99
Net as of 10/31/25	\$ -57,980.09