

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

**Worship**  
**March 8, 2026**  
**9:30 a.m.**

Hymn Sing

Welcome and Informal Moments

Prelude *Give Me Jesus* arr. B. Harlan Chancel Choir

Prayer

Call to Worship Alicia Lear  
Esther 4:12-16 (NIV), Galatians 4:4 (NLT)

One: When Esther's words were reported to Mordecai, he sent back this answer: "Do not think that because you are in the king's house you alone of all the Jews will escape. For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?"

All: **Then Esther sent this reply to Mordecai: "Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my attendants will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish."**

One: But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law.

All: **God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children.**

\*Hymn *Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It* (#280)

Special Music

Men's Chorus

Offering Prayer

Offertory *Fairest Lord Jesus* arr. J. Dixon

\*Sung Response to Offering

*I Am Thine, O Lord* (#535) - vs. 1, 2

Pastoral Prayer

Teaching Scripture Acts 6:1-7 (ESV)

Sermon *I Still Believe in Miracles* Pastor Ian Irvin

\*Sending *Here I Am, Lord* (#440)

\*Benediction

\*Postlude *Near to the Heart of God* arr. J. Dixon

(\*All who are able, please stand.)

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**Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:**

Worship Leadership Alicia Lear

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**Today, March 8th**

**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 the crib room off the Narthex. 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. If you do not attend Sunday School, come join us at 10:45 am in the Brethren Life Center. Join Ali for her sermon series "Unplugged: Staying rooted in Christ in the Age of Technology."

**Children's Church Today and every Sunday** - 9:50 AM-10:30 AM & 10:35 - 11:45 AM. Grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>. Join Jessica Madden, Youth Director, as she leads the Children's Church! Children will be dismissed from the sanctuary before the offering.

**Pre-Service Hymn Singing** - The second Sunday of each month at 9:15 am. Come ready to request your favorite hymn.

**Special Offerings will be taken by Missions & Service Commission** TODAY, March 8, 2026, for District Meat Canning. Please use the offering envelopes provided in the pews and mark it Meat Canning.

**Women's Bible Study** meets each Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. downstairs in Sunday School Room 7. We are studying the Book of Ephesians.

**The Church Board** will meet on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, 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.

**Table Games are held** each week on Wednesdays from 1 to 4PM in the Brethren Haus. YOU are invited to join us. Games played vary but are chosen once we meet. We are always willing to learn a new one if you bring it. Snacks are welcome, but not necessary.

**4<sup>th</sup> Street Youth Group - Wednesday, March 11th** from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Join us for a cooking and baking class. Each dish and baked good will have a Bible story that relates to that dish!

**Lenten Bible Study** - Join us on Zoom for a weekly Bible study throughout Lent on Thursdays at 6:30 pm. We will be working through the book of Mark throughout Lent. The Bible study will be led collaboratively by Pastor Mark, Ali Toms, and Liz Thorpe. Contact the church office or sign-up in the BLC lobby so you can receive the Zoom link via email.

**We need small, wrapped candy donations** (lollipops are good, but please no hard candy) for our Easter Party being held on Wednesday, March 25th beginning at 5:30 p.m. There is a box located in the Brethren Life Center Lobby for drop-off. Thank you for your candy donation.

**Hiring: Early Childhood Educator** - Smart Cookies Preschool is seeking a qualified Early Childhood Educator to lead a preschool classroom. The ideal candidate demonstrates strong classroom management, developmentally appropriate practice, and a commitment to high-quality early learning. For a detailed description of the position, contact the church office. Apply by sending your resume to smartcookies@chambcob.org

**On Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:15–10:45 am in the Sanctuary**, there will be an opportunity for the congregation to participate in an information session regarding the Board's activity in response to the feedback from the congregational survey in November. Contemporary Worship Service and Adult Sunday School Classes will still take place following the meeting.

**There will be no Youth Group or 4<sup>th</sup> Street Kids** on Wednesday, March 18, 2026 due to the yard sale.

**The Loving Hearts Group** will meet on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 12 Noon at Stoner's Restaurant. Following lunch, we will have a speaker on the topic of the Yellow Dot Program. Please RSVP to Vivian Fisher at 717-809-0521.

**Properties Commission** will meet on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

**Save the Date.....March 19th- March 21st- Church Yard Sale!**  
Donations will be accepted starting Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> in the Brethren Life Center. Help will be needed that week. Sign-up sheets to help with pick-up, set-up, kitchen, food donations, etc. are in the Narthex and Brethren Life Center Lobby. Sale hours will be March 19<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am-7:00 pm, March 20<sup>th</sup>-10:00am-7:00pm, and March 21- 8:00 am-12:00 Noon.

**Deadline for April Pastor's Pen** is Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please submit all information to the church office.

**21st Annual Taste of the Valley** will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at LifePoint Church, 339 Lincoln Way East. Doors open at 5:00 p.m., eating at 6:00 p.m. and the live auction starts at 7:00 p.m. The silent auction starts at 5:00 p.m. and goes throughout dinner. Tickets are \$30.00. Please contact Lynn Rotz at 717-816-1510 for tickets or to donate to the live or silent auction.

**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.

**Church Closing Schedule** - March – Terry Gibbons

**To give online, please scan**



March 1, 2026

Worship – 106    Sunday School - 42

Unified Budget Needed to Date	\$91,817.38
Actual Income through 2/28/26	\$75,935.53
Actual Expenses through 2/28/26	\$83,016.72
Net as of 2/28/26	\$ -7,081.19

*Senior Pastor: Mark Baliles*  
*Administrative Assistant: Carol Wingert*  
*Director of Youth Ministry: Jessica Madden*  
*Director of Music and Organist – Pamela Wert*  
*Traditional Worship – 9:30 AM – Contemporary Worship – 10:45 AM*  
*Sunday School – 10:35 AM*  
*Children's Church - 9:30 AM-10:30 AM & 10:35AM – 11:45 AM.*  
*Office Hours 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM - Monday – Thursday*  
*Friday – 8:00 AM – 12 Noon - Lunch 12:30 – 1:00 p.m.*  
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**Palm Sunday Worship – March 29, 2026**  
**9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary**  
**NO Sunday School or Contemporary Worship**

**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.**