

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

Worship
July 26, 2026
9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Informal Moments

Prelude *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* arr. J. Dixon

*Call to Worship Annette Lehman
Reflection on Joel 2:13 NIV

One: The prophet Joel said, "Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity."

All: We praise the God whose mercy never fails.

One: God's compassion reaches farther than we expect.

All: God's love is greater than our doubts and fears.

One: God's grace extends to people near and far.

All: May our hearts be shaped by the mercy of God.

One: Come, let us worship the Lord.

All: We will sing of His steadfast love forever.

*Hymn *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (#98)

*Prayer

Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* (#172)

Offering Prayer

Offertory *All Through the Night* arr. A. Fedak

*Sung Response to Offering *I Surrender All* (#433)

Pastoral Prayer

Teaching Scripture Jonah 4:1-4 NIV

Sermon Pastor Ali Toms

A Tale as Old as Time: When You Hate the Assignment

*Closing Hymn *Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated* (#534)

*Benediction

*Postlude *Recessional* R. Powell

(*All who are able, please stand.)

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:
Worship Leadership Annette Lehman

Today, July 26th

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 10:45 am! “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 10:30 am in the Brethren Life Center.

Please join us for a Southern PA District Church of the Brethren ALL Church Potluck Picnic TODAY, July 26, 2026, at Little Buffalo State Park (Pavilion #2), Swimming Pool Road, Newport, PA. We will eat at 4:30 p.m. At 5:30 p.m., Vespers will be led by Pastor Jeffrey Rider, Mt. Olivet COB. Bring a side dish or dessert; and a lawn chair if desired.

Worship and Music Commission will meet on Tuesday, July 28, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

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.

Back to School Book Bag Drive – Book Bag Donations Still Needed!! If you can donate, please bring to the church or make a check payable to Chambersburg COB and Jessica Madden can purchase the bags. Thank you for your help!

Missions and Service Commission is asking for donations to purchase a Community Blessing Box. If you would like to donate, place a donation in an offering envelope marked “Blessing Box”. Make checks payable to Church of the Brethren and on the memo line write “Blessing Box”. We will place the Blessing Box on Liberty Street in front of The Brethren Haus. We will rely on church members and the community to place non-perishable food items in the box.

Back to School Book Bag Drive – August 1, 2026, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Free book-bags (preschool -high school) filled with school supplies, carnival games, prizes, face painting, cotton candy, popcorn, moon bounce, music, dinner & so much more!

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

Pre-Service Hymn Singing - The second Sunday of each month at 9:15 am. Come ready to request your favorite hymn or contact Robin with your request earlier in the week.

The Mid-Week Connection Planning Committee will meet on Monday, August 10, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

The Church Board will meet on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. 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.

On Sunday, August 16th, 10:15–10:45 am in the Sanctuary, there will be an information session regarding the Board’s activity. The congregation is encouraged to attend. Contemporary Worship Service and Adult Sunday School Class will still take place following the meeting.

Church Board Minutes from the meeting held July 7, 2026, and are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex and Brethren Life Center Lobby for anyone to view.

The Brethren Home Community’s Annual Chicken Barbecue & Car Show will be held on Saturday, August 8th from 10:30 a.m. until sold-out. Each dinner includes a half chicken, baked potato, roll & applesauce. Cost per dinner is \$13.00. Pre-ordering is preferred. Order online at www.crosskeysvillage.org/chicken or by completing an order form available in the church office. Deadline to pre-order is July 28th.

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

Church Closing Schedule – July – Terry Gibbons;
August – Bob Shank; September – Don Lehman

To give online, please scan



July 19, 2026

Worship – 105 Sunday School – 38

Unified Budget Needed to Date	\$265,877.70
Actual Income through 6/30/26	\$287,055.85
Actual Expenses through 6/30/26	\$279,496.38
Net as of 6/30/26	\$ 7,559.47

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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