

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

Worship
October 18, 2026
9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Informal Moments

Prelude Swing Low, Sweet Chariot arr. C. Hamlin

Prayer

Call to Worship Rick Shreiner
Ephesians 2:11-20 (NLT)
Matthew 7:24-25 (NIV)

One: Don't forget that you Gentiles used to be outsiders... But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ.

All: For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people.... Now all of us can come to the Father through the same Holy Spirit because of what Christ has done for us.

One: So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God's holy people. You are members of God's family.

All: Together, we are his house, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself.

One: "Therefore," Jesus said, "everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock."

Anthem How Firm a Foundation arr. D. Wood Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn The Solid Rock (#511)

Offering Prayer

Offertory Trumpet Tune in G B. Portman

*Sung Response to Offering
Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated (#534)
- two additional verses will be on the screen

Teaching Scripture
Proverbs 12-18 (selected verses), Psalm 34:12-14, 19:14 (NIV)

Sermon Words Shaped by JESUS Pastor Mark
(Making it simple)

*Hymn Teresa' Prayer Screen
Words by St. Teresa of Avila; music by Joseph Helfrich

*Benediction

Church Board Sharing Session

(*All who are able, please stand.)

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:
Worship Leadership Rick Shreiner

Today, October 18th

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 10:30 am! If you do not attend Sunday School, come join us at 10:30 am in the Brethren Life Center.

Elementary Children's Ministry Update - Children's Church and Elementary Sunday School will no longer be available until further notice due to the ongoing need for consistent volunteers. Therefore, Elementary children will attend worship and Sunday School with their parents or guardians. Busy bags with quiet activities are available in the narthex for children to use and should be returned after use. We also printed children's bulletins with activities that are already in the "Stay Connected" rack in the narthex. These will be changed & updated periodically.

The Hospitality Committee would like to invite you to join us at "The Crossroads" (Brethren Life Center Lobby) TODAY from 10:30-10:45 for refreshments. Our hope is that everyone will come by and enjoy some refreshments and fellowship. This invitation is offered to the entire church family.

Deadline for the November Pastor's Pen is TODAY, October 18th. Please submit all information to the church office.

CROP WALK – TODAY, October 18th - Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. with the walk beginning at 2:00 p.m. at Falling Spring Presbyterian Church, 221 N. Main Street, Chambersburg. Walkers are invited to bring non-perishable food items that will be donated to Chambersburg Area Food Pantry. All checks should be made out to "CWS/CROP". Online donations are strongly encouraged. Online donations can be made at: www.crophungerwalk.org. In the Search bar at the bottom of the page type: 2026 Chambersburg CROP Hunger Walk. Designate your gifts as an individual or as part of a team.

Smart Cookies Preschool Committee will meet on Monday, October 19, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Women's Bible Study is held each week on Tuesdays at 10:00 am in the Challengers classroom. Studies on Paul's letters will be led by Nancy Deardorff. Join us!

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.

Youth Group (Grades 6-12) on Wednesday, October 21st - Join us this week from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. for dinner and then a fun night of glow neon painting with the theme "Don't Let Fear Take Over!"

Properties Commission will meet on Thursday, October 22, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Missions and Service Commission will meet on Sunday, October 25, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. in the Library.

The Hospitality Committee will meet on Monday, October 26, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Worship and Music Commission will meet on Tuesday, October 27, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Halloween Glow Night on Wednesday, October 28, 2026, from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. We will be hosting a fun-filled evening for children that includes a light meal, glow egg hunt, pumpkin decorating, games and candy! Wear your costume for a prize! Volunteers are needed for that evening. If you can help, please sign the sheet located in the Brethren Life Center lobby!

Candy Donations Needed for Halloween Glow Night on Wednesday, October 28th at 5:30 p.m. Please place in the box marked for candy.

A quick reminder that all cookie dough orders are due October 30 for Smart Cookies Preschool fundraiser. Checks for the Smart Cookies Preschool Butcher Shoppe Cookie Dough Orders should be made payable to **Chambersburg Church of the Brethren**. Place your orders in the box provided in the Narthex or Brethren Life Center. We’re also excited to share that the family who sells the most cookie dough will receive a \$250 Pampered Chef credit. What a fun way to bless your home with new baking tools just in time for the holidays.

Calling any man who loves to sing! We are looking for men to sing in the men’s chorus! Our next practice will be October 31 at 2 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Robin Faust-Hambright at 717-8604721. Otherwise, I’ll look forward to seeing you on October 31st!!”

It’s time to order your Christmas Poinsettia! Orders will be taken for Marble (pink with white edge) poinsettias with green foil to be used during worship on Sunday, December 20th. Cost is \$10.50. Order forms are available in your church mailbox, Stay Connected Board, and Brethren Life Center lobby. Orders with payments must be returned by Sunday, November 1st. Boxes are provided in the Narthex and BLC Lobby for your orders.

Deacons Commission will meet on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the Mini-Fellowship Hall.

Mid-Week to Go.....plan to join us on Wednesday, November 4, 2026, between 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. for a meal delivered to your car! First come-first served basis.
Church Board Minutes from the meetings held September 15, 2026, and September 22, 2026, are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex and Brethren Life Center Lobby for anyone to view.

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.

Church Closing Schedule – October – Luke Preso;
November – Sam Wingert

To give online, please scan



October 11, 2026

Worship – 94 Sunday School - 33

Unified Budget Needed to Date	\$384,454.89
Actual Income through 9/30/26	\$396,917.37
Actual Expenses through 9/30/26	\$391,786.96
Net as of 9/30/26	\$ 5,130.41

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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