



Myerstown Church of the Brethren

Scriptural Message:

"You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created."

- Revelation 4: 11

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June 2014

Ministry through Faith,
Vision, and Action

From Pastor Dean's Desk

Give Them to Jesus!

In many Christian Churches we hear the words listed below that we are to give our burdens to Jesus. However, we many times find ourselves working our way to becoming Godly and thinking how we can work out our salvation. The truth of the matter is the fact that we cannot earn our salvation or work our way to heaven!

The great news is that we are saved by grace. The price has been paid in full. One author defines grace in this fashion: "*Grace is unconditional acceptance given to an undeserving person by an unobligated giver.*"

The Good News of the gospel is that we are saved by grace! The Law of the God reveals to us what is right and wrong (sin) and is a guide for believers to live out the faith. Henry Blackaby writes; "*If what we do for the Lord is burdensome, we are not yoked with Him.*"

May we accept His grace and be yoked, which means belong to, the one that died for us!

Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light."

-Matthew 11: 28-30

Attendance & Offering

Attendance average for April 1 – April 30, 2014

Sunday School – 97
Worship Service – 242

Beginning Checkbook Balance – General Fund		\$94,530.62
Income		\$19,991.25
Expenses		\$18,762.79
Voided Check		\$ 0.00
Ending Checkbook Balance		\$95,759.08
Beginning Checkbook Balance – Building Fund		\$12,611.62
Income		\$ 6,185.69
Expenses		\$ 5,859.65
Ending Checkbook Balance	0.00%	\$12,937.66
Music Fund CD	3/18/13	\$ 15,556.27

Attention all Quilters

On Tuesday mornings we are quilting and knotting in the ladies aid room at 8:00 a.m. All are welcome to come and help.

Home Care

Let's remember in thought and prayer those living in nursing homes/assisted living homes: Phares Eshleman, Clara Miller, Mary Lineweaver, Nancy Moyer, June Swisher, Helen Wenger

Please remember these people in your prayers

Betty Jane Berger, Bud Brubaker, Mary Ann Gible, Dan Heffner, Bill Yoh, Sr., Mark Ziegler

LVBH Volunteers

The LVBH is in need of volunteers in the following areas...people who are willing to visit with our residents, read to the residents, offer wheelchair rides, or just sit and talk with the residents. They also need people who would like to fill water mugs in the Alpha and Leffler units. If you are able to give just one hour or more of your time each week, call Mary Lee Harpel at 838-5406, ext. 3186.

Pizza Hut

We are still continuing to have Pizza Hut Day the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Look for the paper in your newsletter or on the bulletin board.

Gift Cards

The gift card order is always the first Sunday of the month. Look for your order form in the newsletter or on the bulletin board. The list of businesses is always changing. If there is a business that you would like to know about, call the church office at 866-5517 to see if those cards would be available. How many cards do you think you can use in a month's time? You don't have to give the card as a gift, you can use them yourself.

Notice

When spring cleaning please consider donating unwanted for the annual bazaar on Nov. 23rd. We have an area available to store and hold until the bazaar. Any questions, please contact Anna Mae Snyder, Lois Romberger or Jean Bomberger.

Women of the Word Retreat

A retreat will be held at Lebanon Valley Bible Church, 1482 Horseshoe Pike, Lebanon on Saturday, Sept. 20th from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. Speaker is Kimberly Wagner. Early bird special is \$20. Deadline to register is June 15th. See Lois Romberger to register and pay. More information is on bulletin board.

VBS Volunteers

Anyone interested in helping with VBS this summer, July 13th through 17th should sign up in the gathering place or see Lisa Liskey.

Vacation Bible School

"Take a Walk on the Wild Side" and join us at VBS this summer! VBS will be held July 13-17, 2014 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and any child ages 3-5th grade is eligible to participate. Please take a registration form from the lobby and return to the VBS table or Lisa Liskey, or register online at www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/MCOB2014 Invite your friends!!

Coupon Exchange

We are starting a coupon exchange to help benefit the church community. Those who get the news paper and do not clip coupons are encouraged to bring their unwanted inserts and put them in the box in the lobby. We will also accept clipped coupons that you will not use. We will clip the coupons and they will be available for anyone to take on a first come first serve basis. Let's help each other save some money! Please see Lisa Liskey with any questions.

Picnic at Knoebels

The Missions and Fellowship Commission is planning a picnic at Knoebels Grove on Saturday, August 23rd. We will have a dedicated pavillion for our group. Parking is free and there is no admission fee. Discounted tickets are available. We will have a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Place. See any commission member for questions.

Christmas in July

We are having a Christmas in July party for the residents of the "Susan Dowhower" house. There will be a list of the residents names and their shirt sizes in the Gathering Place. Please sign-up for 1 or more residents for a wrapped \$5 gift. The party is Tuesday, July 29th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend the party!

Council Meeting

Monday, June 9th at 7:00 p.m. is Council Meeting. Executive committee will meet at 6:30 p.m.

June Wedding Anniversaries

- 2nd Carl & Allison Kline
- 5th Matthew & Rachel McClure
- 7th Randy & Grace Burke
- 11th Darryl & Nancy Wolfe
- 12th Robert & Evelina Krall
Robert & Tania Fasnacht
- 13th Brad & Megan Tobin
- 14th Ralph & Miriam Ackerman
- 16th Brett & Lori Lentz
- 20th Pete & Carol Sanchez
- 21st Dan & Ashly Landis
- 23rd Jeremy & Jessica Umbenhauer
- 26th Ken & Frances Leffler
- 28th Chris & Jen Hostetter
Brandon & Tracey Krick
Brian & Jennifer Murray
- 29th Dick & Vema Forney

Commissions and Church Board Meeting

Date: May 20, 2014

**Meeting was called to order @ 8:03 p.m.
Present were: Treasurer – Robert Dubble
Present were: Secretary-Robert Noll**

**by Chairperson – Robert Biddle
Prayer by: Ed Liskey**

Secretary's Report of April 15, 2014

Approved as presented by Aye Vote

Treasurer's Report of May 15, 2014

Approved as presented by Aye Vote

Commission Reports & Members Present

Ministry & Evangelism Commission: Chairperson – Kenneth Wagner, Allison Kline

There was not enough members present to hold a meeting, but a report was given on a meeting between the Ministry & Evangelism Commission, some members of the Music Committee and the choir director to discuss the choir, bell choir and leadership issues.

Missions & Fellowship Commission: Co-Chairpersons – Sherrie Liskey and JoAnn Houtz
Janet Dubble, Phyllis Hickernell

Plans were made for Christmas in July at the Susan Dowhower House. The date is Tuesday, July 29th at 7:00 p.m. We discussed whether this might be a good outreach activity for the youth. JoAnn will talk with Susie Auman or Nancy Wolfe to see if this would be a possibility.

Plans are made for a church picnic at Knoebel's Grove on Saturday, August 23rd. We will have a dedicated pavilion for our group. An announcement will be put in Sunday's bulletin and a sign-up sheet will be placed in the Gathering Place the following Sunday.

We received the names of the four students from ELCO Middle School who will receive the Good Neighbor Award. Each will receive a framed certificate and a \$20 J.O.Y. Bookstore gift card. Janet will make the certificates and Sherrie will get the gift cards. Everything will be given to Judy Umbenhauer to present on June 5th.

We had preliminary discussions about the pictorial directory. This will happen in fall of 2015. Further discussion will occur at the June meeting and communication will begin with Life Touch.

Christian Education Commission: Chairperson – Edwin Liskey, Jen Murray, Grace Ziegler
Linda Zimmerman

Ed opened our meeting with devotions.

Ed is working on contacting Randy Marks for our Rally Day Program on Sept. 14th.

We are still looking for 2 couples for Youth Advisors. Ed talked to the youth and they suggested a couple and Ed plans to talk to that couple.

Children's Day, June 1st, Ed will be preaching and a puppet show will be presented.

The Sunday School lessons from The Story will take a break from July 13th to August 31st and teachers can use recycled material or material of their choice during this time.

Trustee and Property Commission: Chairperson - George Nagle, Duey Peiffer, Donald Hickernell

Repairs on dryvit at front doors has been completed. They did a good job matching colors.

Prices were received on replacing ballasts in hall lights for T8 tubes or replace the whole light. T8's consume less electric. Approximate cost is \$220.00.

We installed new GE heat and air unit in Homebuilders Sunday School room.

Finance and Stewardship Commission: Mark Bomberger, Ryan Liskey

As of April 30, 2014

Year to Date Budgeted to General Fund	\$92,279
Year to Date Actual to General Fund	<u>72,939</u>
Difference	-\$19,340

Year to Date Budgeted to Building Fund	\$23,438
Year to Date Actual to Building Fund	<u>19,559</u>
Difference	-\$ 3,879

Mortgage Balance	\$444,462.16
Sharing Cupboard	\$ 15,853.42
Building Fund Balance	\$ 8,799.90
Music Fund CD Balance	\$ 15,560.10

We reviewed monthly reports and year to date reports.

Our commission suggests using chicken bbq profit of \$2,279.25 for Youth Center.

Pastor Lengel's Report

Greetings to the Myerstown congregation! In the last month I have participated in the following: had baptism on Sunday morning where we received 4 people and received 9 new members, attended the local Brethren support meeting, visited in homes, hospitals, and nursing homes, attended the church board meeting, led Wednesday evening Bible studies, preached Sunday mornings, held one funeral, and gave communion to the shut-ins. I am thankful continually for God and His blessings upon this church. May we truly count our blessings.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Joyce Wagner and Steve Krick have agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee for a term of 3 years each. There was a motion and second to approve Joyce Wagner and Steve Krick to the Nominating Committee.

Motion approved by aye vote.

Interests & Concerns

A presentation was given to Church Board for the possible restructure of Children's Church and also the use of the Old Fellowship Hall. A list of items that could be used as well as the use of the hall was given to each board member. The total estimated costs would be approximately \$11,200. There was a motion and second to approve the restructure of Children's Church, the use of the hall and the proposed dollars needed. It was recommended to pass on to Council for a final approval. A copy of the report is attached.

Motion approved by an aye vote.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:15

Children's Church Restructure Proposal

Nursery: Infant- 3 years of age (location: Nursery)

Kids Church: 4- 2nd Grade (location: Current children's church room)

Junior Church: 3rd- 5th Grade (location: Downstairs in the old fellowship hall)

Youth: 6th-12th Grade (once numbers grow we would like to see this become a junior/senior high, and divide into 2 groups) (Will use the old fellowship hall)

** VBS: Currently includes those kids going in to 6th grade. I would like to see VBS end at 5th grade, and use youth age kids as helpers at VBS.

** We are looking into having youth age teens help staff the nursery, kids, and junior church. Ideally, each class would have 1 adult and 1-2 teen helpers each Sunday. This is how we propose to staff the extra class.

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Sun	Moh	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Emily Hocker William Miller June Swisher	3 Michelle Daubert	4 Wyatt Daubert Brittany Hogeland Cora Jenkins	5	6 Tina Ebersole Cole Wenrich	7
8	9 Lori Ceresini Noah Dubble Casey Daubert Leah Bradnick Andy Heisey Mary Ann Gibble Charlie Krall	10 Frances Leffler Brent Mauser Helen Wenger	11 William Kline Darryl Wolfe	12 Christine Blackwell Weston Fouch Thomas Hess Lisa Maurer Alaina Miller Heather Miller	13 Jackie Burke Brett Gerhart Sophia Krick Brooke Liskey Trina Miller	14
15	16 Neil Donley Daryl Heisey Stephanie Ebling Airik Mutschler Bill Yoh, Jr.	17 Dylan Hocker	18 Craig Forney Daryl Keath	19 Connie Hartranft Clark Lash	20 David Wenger Kelly Whitman	21 Kendra Brown
22	23 Larry Schucker	24 Abby Zimmerman	25	26 Robert Gibble Hunter Hartranft Nicholas Reichard	27 Kevin Motter Barbara Wenger	28 Ryan Truscott
29 Gale Firestine Donald Reichard Walter Weaver	30 Arlene Crouse Lisa Ebersole Noah Lash	Notes:				

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	2 Small Group 6:00 pm	3	4	5	6	7	
8 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	9	10 PIZZA HUT DAY	11	12 Sharing Cupboard 10-1	13 Sharing Cupboard 3-6	14	
15 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	16 Small Group 6:00 pm	17 Executive Mtg. 6:30 pm Commission Mtg. 7:00 pm Board Mtg. 8:00 pm	18	19	20	21	
22 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	23	24	25	26 Sharing Cupboard 10-1 Spiritual Nurture Mtg. 7:00 pm	27 Sharing Cupboard 3-6	28 ANNUAL CONFERENCE	
29 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am ANNUAL CONFERENCE	30 Small Group 6:00 pm ANNUAL CONFERENCE	Notes:					

Myerstown Church of the Brethren/PA

The following is a list of gift cards that can be purchased as a fundraising project for the building fund. All orders must be placed by the first Sunday of each month. Thank you for your purchase.

Name	Customer #
Check #	Order Date

Product	%	QTY	Total	Product	%	QTY	Total	Product	%	QTY	Total
Ace Hardware \$100.00	4.00%		\$	Build-A-Bear Workshop \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Foot Locker \$25.00	9.00%		\$
Ace Hardware \$25.00	4.00%		\$	Burger King \$10.00	4.00%		\$	GameStop \$25.00	3.00%		\$
Advance Auto Parts \$25.00	7.00%		\$	Cabela's \$100.00	11.00%		\$	Gap \$25.00	14.00%		\$
Aeropostale \$25.00	7.00%		\$	Cabela's \$25.00	11.00%		\$	Giant Food Stores \$25.00	4.00%		\$
Amazon.com \$100.00	3.00%		\$	Carrabba's Italian Grill \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Giant Food Stores \$50.00	4.00%		\$
Amazon.com \$25.00	3.00%		\$	Cheesecake Factory \$25.00	5.00%		\$	Giant Foods \$100.00	4.00%		\$
American Eagle Outfitters \$25.00	10.00%		\$	Children's Place \$25.00	12.00%		\$	Groupon.com \$25.00	7.00%		\$
American Girl \$25.00	9.00%		\$	Chili's Grill & Bar \$25.00	11.00%		\$	Gymboree \$25.00	13.00%		\$
Applebee's \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Christmas Tree Shops \$25.00	7.00%		\$	Hard Rock Cafe \$25.00	10.00%		\$
Applebee's \$50.00	8.00%		\$	Claire's \$10.00	9.00%		\$	Hardee's \$10.00	5.00%		\$
Arby's \$10.00	8.00%		\$	Clarion Hotels \$100.00	3.00%		\$	Home Depot \$100.00	4.00%		\$
AT&T 125 Minute Prepaid Card \$9.50	20.00%		\$	Clarion Hotels \$50.00	3.00%		\$	Home Depot \$25.00	4.00%		\$
Babies'R'Us \$20.00	3.00%		\$	Cold Stone Creamery \$10.00	8.00%		\$	Icing \$10.00	9.00%		\$
Banana Republic \$25.00	14.00%		\$	Comfort Inn \$100.00	3.00%		\$	IHOP \$25.00	8.00%		\$
Barnes & Noble \$10.00	9.00%		\$	Comfort Inn \$50.00	3.00%		\$	iTunes® \$25.00	5.00%		\$
Barnes & Noble \$25.00	9.00%		\$	Cracker Barrel \$10.00	9.00%		\$	jcpenny \$100.00	5.00%		\$
Bass Pro Shops \$100.00	9.00%		\$	CVS/pharmacy \$25.00	6.00%		\$	jcpenny \$25.00	5.00%		\$
Bass Pro Shops \$25.00	9.00%		\$	Dairy Queen \$10.00	3.00%		\$	KFC \$5.00	8.00%		\$
Bath & Body Works \$10.00	13.00%		\$	Darden® Restaurants Gift Card \$25.00	9.00%		\$	Kmart \$25.00	4.00%		\$
Bath & Body Works \$25.00	13.00%		\$	Dell Computer \$100.00	4.00%		\$	Kmart \$50.00	4.00%		\$
Bed Bath & Beyond \$25.00	7.00%		\$	Dick's Sporting Goods \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Kohl's \$100.00	4.00%		\$
Best Buy \$100.00	3.00%		\$	Disney \$100.00	2.00%		\$	Kohl's \$25.00	4.00%		\$
Best Buy \$25.00	3.00%		\$	Disney \$25.00	2.00%		\$	L.L.Bean \$100.00	18.00%		\$
Bob Evans \$10.00	10.00%		\$	Domino's Pizza \$10.00	8.00%		\$	L.L.Bean \$25.00	18.00%		\$
Bon-Ton \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Dream Dinners \$75.00	8.00%		\$	Lands' End \$100.00	18.00%		\$
Boscov's \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Dressbarn \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Lands' End \$25.00	18.00%		\$
Boston Market \$10.00	12.00%		\$	Dunham's Sports \$25.00	8.00%		\$	LongHorn Steakhouse® \$25.00	9.00%		\$
Boston Store \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Dunkin' Donuts \$10.00	3.00%		\$	Lowe's \$100.00	**5.00%		\$
Bruster's Ice Cream \$10.00	8.00%		\$	Eat'n Park \$10.00	10.00%		\$	Lowe's \$25.00	**6.00%		\$
Buca di Beppo \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Eat'n Park \$25.00	10.00%		\$	Macaroni Grill \$25.00	11.00%		\$
Buffalo Wild Wings \$10.00	8.00%		\$	Eddie Bauer \$25.00	10.00%		\$	Marshalls \$25.00	7.00%		\$
Buffalo Wild Wings \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Express \$25.00	10.00%		\$	Men's Wearhouse \$25.00	8.00%		\$
								Michaels \$25.00	4.00%		\$

Make Checks Payable To: *Myerstown Church of the Brethren*

Total Due All Columns:

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Family Order Form

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Nutrisystem \$50.00	12.00%		\$	T.J. Maxx \$25.00	7.00%		\$
Office Depot \$25.00	4.00%		\$	Taco Bell \$10.00	5.00%		\$
Office Max \$25.00	5.00%		\$	Tanger Outlets \$25.00	8.00%		\$
Old Navy \$25.00	14.00%		\$	Target \$100.00	2.50%		\$
Olive Garden ® \$25.00	9.00%		\$	Target \$25.00	2.50%		\$
Outback Steakhouse \$25.00	8.00%		\$	Texas Roadhouse \$25.00	8.00%		\$
Panera Bread \$10.00	9.00%		\$	TGI Fridays \$25.00	9.00%		\$
Panera Bread \$25.00	9.00%		\$	Toys"R"Us \$20.00	3.00%		\$
Papa John's Pizza \$10.00	8.00%		\$	Walgreens \$25.00	6.00%		\$
Payless Shoes \$20.00	13.00%		\$	Walmart \$100.00	2.50%		\$
PetSmart \$25.00	4.00%		\$	Walmart \$25.00	2.50%		\$
Pizza Hut (Not AK or HI) \$10.00	8.00%		\$	Wawa \$25.00	1.50%		\$
Qdoba Mexican Grill \$25.00	7.00%		\$	Wendy's \$10.00	4.00%		\$
RadioShack \$25.00	4.00%		\$				
Rainforest Cafe \$25.00	9.00%		\$				
Red Lobster ® \$25.00	9.00%		\$				
Red Robin \$25.00	**11.00 %		\$				
Rite Aid \$25.00	4.00%		\$				
Ruby Tuesday \$25.00	8.00%		\$				
Sam's Club \$100.00	2.50%		\$				
Sam's Club \$25.00	2.50%		\$				
Sears \$100.00	4.00%		\$				
Sears \$25.00	4.00%		\$				
Sears Auto Service Center \$100.00	4.00%		\$				
Sears Auto Service Center \$25.00	4.00%		\$				
Sheetz \$100.00	3.00%		\$				
Sheetz \$25.00	3.00%		\$				
Staples \$100.00	5.00%		\$				
Staples \$25.00	5.00%		\$				
Starbucks \$10.00	7.00%		\$				
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SUBWAY® Restaurants \$10.00	3.00%		\$				

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6th Annual Ride the Rails for Cancer

Sat & Sun

June 7 & 8 2014

at Hoffer Park

Middletown PA



Vickie's Angel
FOUNDATION

Event coincides with the
Middletown Arts & Craft
Fair (Saturday only)

Time: Sat 11am till 4pm Sun 11am till 3pm

Last train ride is at 4pm on Sat & 3pm on Sun

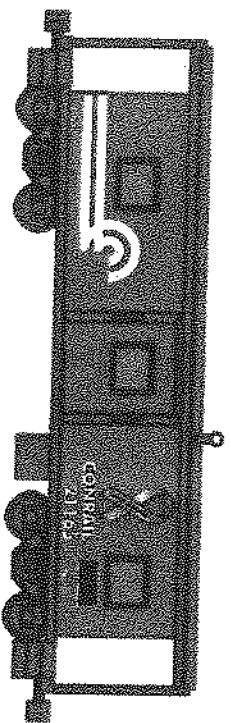
Tickets: \$5 per person, Age 5 & under \$1

Ride the Rails for Cancer benefits Vickie's Angel Foundation, helping families financially while getting Cancer treatments

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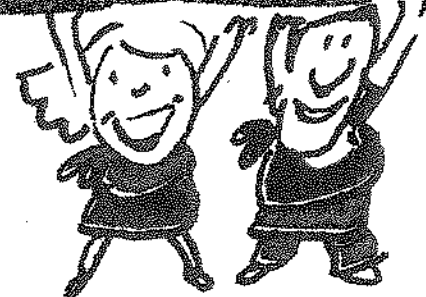
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