



Myerstown Church of the Brethren

Scriptural Message

6 *“And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. 7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. 8 You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. 9 You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.*

Deuteronomy 6:6-9

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June 2018

Ministry through Faith,
Vision, and Action

**“As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear Him..”
(Psalm 103:13)**

On Sunday, June 17, we celebrate an important holiday which is Father’s Day. Father’s Day began in the United States back in 1909, with a lady named Ms. Sonora Dodd, who was from Spokane, Washington.

Ms. Dodd felt strongly for Fathers because of her own struggle in her family life. Her mother died while in childbirth, when Ms. Dodd was only 16. Her father, Mr. William Smart, ended up raising the newborn, along with five other children with love and care.

As a father of two boys, I can say that Mr. Smart was very noble to raise 5 children and a newborn as a single parent! In fact, he was influential in making Father’s Day a holiday.

Because of Ms. Dodd’s own father’s example, she began a campaign to make Father’s Day an official holiday in the United States.

In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge supported the idea of a National Father’s Day in order ‘to establish more intimate relations between fathers and their children and to impress upon fathers the full measure of their obligations.’

This is probably one of the most important quality a father can have, and that is a more intimate relationship with his children. Many fathers struggle with this, because they feel the obligation to be the “breadwinner” in the home, which means they are away from their children. As a result, many fathers, as well as single mothers, feel the pressure of being in two places: the home and the workplace.

Yet, look at the statistics of fathers who have no intimate relationship with their children, compared to those who do. Which children end-up more stable? Which children end-up with a better marriage later-on? Which children end-up having good morals? The ones who have an intimate relationship with their father.

Because of these demands placed upon our fathers, our fathers need the prayers of the people in the church! Fathers need our prayers and encouragement, in order to be the leaders in the home, the church, and the workplace.

So encourage and pray for our fathers! HAPPY FATHERS DAY!

See you in church, PASTOR MARTY

Attendance & Offering

Attendance average for April 1 – April 30, 2018

Sunday School - 60

Worship Service – 151

Home Care

Let's remember in thought and prayer those living in nursing homes/assisted living homes: Arlene Crouse, Orpha Doutrich, Joanne Ealy, Florence Ebersole, Nettie Krall, Mary Lineweaver, Iris Liskey, Clara Miller, and Kathryn Miller.

LVBH Volunteers

The LVBH is always in need of volunteers. Did you that that every other month some lady's from the church go to the home to play BINGO with the residents? Contact Anna Mae Snyder if you would like to help.

Pizza Hut

We are continuing to have Pizza Hut Day the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Look for the paper in the 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. How many cards to you think you can use in a month? You don't have to buy a card to give away, you can use them yourself.

Save the Date

Vacation Bible School is June 24-28. This year VBS theme is "Team Spirit". If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Leslie Fuhrman or Jess Singer.

Attention

It's that time of year when you probably are cleaning out good but unused or unwanted items. The annual Bazaar is November 17th (mark your calendar), but we are already accepting items for the "White Elephant" table. The items can be stored in the Sharing Cupboard area.

Kitchen Cleaning

The Church kitchen could use a good cleaning. On Saturday, June 2nd at 8:00 am, we are asking anybody and everybody to come and bring buckets and rags. Many hands make light work. Everyone's help will be appreciated.

Good as Gold Certificate

If you are planning on going to Camp Swatara this summer, don't forget to get your "Good as Gold" Certificate from Mike and Crystal Liskey.

Help Needed

We are in need of help for the Nursery during the Worship Hour and for Children's Church. Please contact Leslie Fuhrman if you are willing to take a turn in the nursery and Crystal Liskey if you are willing to help with Children's Church.

Boxed Food Collection

The Youth are collecting boxed food to take as an offering for National Youth Conference. If you would like to donate, please drop your boxed food in the Gathering Place.

T-Shirts

Women's Fellowship has t-shirts for sale with the church name on the front left and on the back. Cost of the shirt is \$10. If anyone would like to purchase one, please contact either Leslie Fuhrman or Jess Singer.

June Wedding Anniversaries

5th Matthew & Rachel McClure
7th Randy & Grace Burke
12th Robert & Evelina Krall
14th Ralph & Miriam Ackerman
16th Brett & Lori Lentz
23rd Steve & Breena Krick
28th Chris & Jen Hostetter
29th Dick & Verna Forney

Commissions and Church Board Meeting

Date: May 15, 2018

Meeting was called to order @ 8:02 p.m.

by Chairperson – Janet Dubble

Present were: Secretary – Mark Landis, Jr.

Prayer by: Pastor Marty

Present were: Pastor Marty Moyer

Secretary’s Report of April 17, 2018

Approved as presented by Aye Vote

Treasurer’s Report of April 30, 2018

Approved as presented by Aye Vote

Commission Reports & Members Present

Ministry & Evangelism Commission: Co-Chairpersons – David Dubble, Steve Krick,
Grace Ziegler

We will contact potential commission members.

We discussed set-up of worship leaders. We decided to keep it as it is.

Harvest America – decided to aim for 2019 because of the amount of planning and people involved. Will contact “On Fire” to possibly hold in their facility.

Discussed the “Piercing Word” program. Grace will contact them to select a date for “Romans Highlights”.

Will contact “Traditional Sound” for a future music program.

Evening of music will be Saturday, Sept. 15th. We are working on a participants list.

Missions & Fellowship Commission: Co-Chairperson – Janet Dubble, Susie Dundore,
Megan Thomas, Linda Zimmerman

Susie opened with prayer.

Christmas in July is confirmed for Wednesday, July 25, 2018. JoAnn will get a list of the residents names and t-shirt sizes. Megan will talk to youth leaders Melissa and Rachel to see if they can join us. At the June commission meeting, we will make lists for who will bring snacks, etc. and write announcement for bulletin. Good Neighbor Awards for ELCO Middle School – We were asked if we would be able to give out 5 awards instead of the usual 4, due to a tie in nominations. We agreed to award to 5 students. Janet got the frames and will print the awards. Linda Zimmerman will get the gift cards from J.O.Y. Bookstore. Someone from our church will attend the awards ceremony in June.

Londonderry Village – Chicken BBQ & Auction is July 27th and 28th. Churches are asked to bake 15 dozen snickerdoodles. We will work with Women’s Fellowship to schedule a time to do this as a group. We will create a committee for “Organize a Theme Basket”.

CVLI – An annual license that will be looked into for the purchase of a video license for \$135 from CLVI (Church Video License) that will allow our church to show motion pictures and other copyrighted audiovisual programs that are otherwise intended for personal use only. This license will allow us to have legal access to show movies at any event, including movie nights, Youth activities, educational classes, etc.

Teen Challenge Reception - Following the presentation by Teen Challenge during the worship service on July 15th, we will organize and host a reception the The Gathering Place. Light hors d’oeuvres will be served. This will be a time for interaction and fellowship with our visitors from Teen Challenge.

Christian Education Commission: - Co-Chairpersons – Leslie Fuhrman, Lindsey Dimond
Christine Blackwell, Jessica Singer, Melissa Wilson

Children’s Day is June 3rd. We are waiting to hear back from Good Sheppard Puppeteers. Second option would be another puppet theme show or a drama. Children will sing and play instruments.
Bible School is June 24th through 28th and the theme is “Team Spirit” The Bible School children will be singing during the worship service on July 1st. There will be a volunteer sign-up sheet placed in the Gathering Place. We will also have donation cards in the Gathering Place for items that are needed. CD’s will be given to all family’s that register.
Youth Advisor Guidelines – Would like to establish some and will draft and bring for approval.
Teachers Worship – Looking to set-up an evening (Tuesday) in September.

Trustee and Property Commission: – Chairperson – George Nagle, Dale Houtz,
Mark Landis, Jr.

We discussed possibly raising the sink in the kitchen the same day that the women are cleaning on June 2nd, as long as we aren’t in the way.

Finance and Stewardship Commission: Chairperson- Andrew Heisey,
Glenn Hassinger, Tim Fetzer

We discussed having a “One Day Pay” again.

Pastor Report

Sermons: 2 (youth Sunday, April 29. Steve Krick spoke on May 5th after our move)

Home Visits: 5

Home Communion: 2

Attempted Home Communion: 2

Total Home Communion Served: 15

Hospital Visits: 14

Attempted Visits: 7

Funerals: 1 (David Roth, I assisted Glenn in this service)

Anointings: 1 (Crystal Leahy)

Bible Studies Taught With Rachel 3 (Men's and Women's)

Church Activities and Commission Meetings

-Attended the Spiritual Nurture Meeting on Thursday, April 26

-Attended Youth Sunday on April 29th

-Attended Youth Taco Bar, April 29th

-Attended Music Committee Meeting on Tuesday, May 8th

Vacation Days for the period: 2, for moving

Sick days: 0

Schedule

-Annual Conference: July 4 – 8. Need pulpit filled on July 8th.

-Teen Challenge: Coming to provide our worship service on July 15.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Excitement expressed over the additional folks attending church. Adults, youth and children. It's great to see all!

Interests & Concerns

None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by aye vote at 8:30 p.m.

June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 William Leahy	2 Emily Hocker
3 Michelle Daubert	4 Wyatt Daubert Brittany Hogeland Cora Jenkins	5	6 Tina Ebersole	7	8	9 Lori Ceresini Casey Daubert Andy Heisey Mary Ann Gibble Charlie Krall
10 Brent Mauser	11 William Kline Matt Sanchez	12 Christine Blackwell Weston Fouch Thomas Hess Alaina Miller Heather Miller	13 Jackie Burke Brett Gerhart Sophia Krick Brooke Liskey Trina Miller	14	15	16 Neil Donley Daryl Heisey Airik Mutschler Bill Yoh, Jr.
17 Dylan Hocker	18 Craig Forney	19 Connie Hartranft	20 David Wenger Kelly Whitman	21	22	23
24 Abby Zimmerman	25 Hunter Hartranft Nicholas Reichard	26 Robert Gibble Kevin Motter Brent Wall Barbara Wenger	27 Benjamin Moyer Melissa Wilson	28 Marty Moyer Donald Reichard	29 Arlene Crouse Lisa Ebersole	30

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am CHILDREN'S DAY	4	5	6	7 Women's Fellowship Mtg. 7:00 pm	8	9
10 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	11 Council Meeting 7:00 pm	12 PIZZA HUT DAY	13	14 Sharing Cupboard 10-1	15 Sharing Cupboard 3-6	16
17 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	18	19 Executive Mtg. 6:30 pm Commission Mtg. 7:00 pm Board Mtg. 8:00 pm	20	21	22	23
24 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am VBS	25 VBS	26 VBS	27 VBS	28 Sharing Cupboard 10-1 Spiritual Nurture Mtg. 7:00 p.m. VBS	29 Sharing Cupboard 3-6	30