



Myerstown Church of the Brethren

Scriptural Message

7 Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover must be [a]killed. 8 And He sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat."

9 So they said to Him, "Where do You want us to prepare?"

10 And He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him into the house which he enters. 11 Then you shall say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?"' 12 Then he will show you a large, furnished upper room; there make ready."

13 So they went and found it just as He had said to them, and they prepared the Passover.

Luke 22:7-13

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Read Luke 22:7-13

There is an Old Brethren Hymn that we used to sing at Love Feast, at my home church, which was entitled "Here In Our Upper Room." The words of the first verse go like this: "Here in our upper room with Thee, Around Thy hallowed table Lord, May we with deep humility, Fulfill the precepts of Thy Word."

On Sunday evening, October 7th we will do what Jesus did with His disciples during the week when He was crucified and died. We will gather around our tables for our Love Feast and Communion.

Love Feast is a holy and sacred time with our Lord Jesus Christ, and with each other. It is also one of the most sacred ordinances in the Church of the Brethren. It is a time when we put away our pride, and lay it down before the Lord's Table.

Jesus showed us His own humility when He washed His disciples feet, then He said to them: "Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than His master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them." (John 13:16-17)

Jesus tells us that if we do, what He did, we are blessed, which means we are 'fortunate;' we are happy!"happy are you if you do them." (KJV) Which means, 'happy are we if we do what Jesus did!'

Love Feast and Communion is such an important witness, especially in the day that we are living in! I believe people today are looking for a time where people will show them love and acceptance, because we live in a selfish world.

Love Feast and Communion will occur, here at Myerstown C.O.B. during our revival services. We believe that the two services go together, because they are important times in the life of the church: OUR FAITH, AND THE BODY OF CHRIST TOGETHER.

May we all do what Jesus did in a spirit of love, humility, and unity. Amen.

Attendance & Offering

Attendance average for July 1 – July 31, 2018

Sunday School - 31

Worship Service – 107

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, and Clara Miller.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Love Feast

Sunday, Oct. 7th at 6:30 p.m. is Love Feast and Communion with Jim Myer and Pastor Marty.

2019 Directory

Any changes in the Church Directory for 2019, notify Toni or a Mission & Fellowship commission member.

Bazaar News

Our annual bazaar is Saturday, November 17th, the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Mark your calendar now to keep the date open! Tables will be available to rent for \$10 for your crafts, etc. If you have items for the "White Elephant" tables, they can be stored in the Sharing Cupboard area until the bazaar. More details later.

Save the Date

Women's Fellowship Christmas Breakfast will be December 8th from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. at Cedar Grill Restaurant. This year we are doing something a bit different. Everyone will be ordering from the menu and paying themselves. Bring a \$1.00 gift for our gift exchange. For more information contact Jess Singer.

Pot Pie Dinner

We are having a pot pie dinner on November 10th from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. Cost is \$10 for adult and \$5.00 for children 6-12, under 6 is free.

Chicken Pot Pie – all you can eat
Lettuce with Bacon Dressing
Apple Sauce
Rolls
Cake
Coffee, Tea and Water

Proceeds will benefit the Youth and the General Fund.

October Wedding Anniversaries

- 3rd Mike & Crystal Leahy
- 15th Raymond & Dorothy Brown
- 18th Eric & Kathy Whitman
Bruce & Cindy Behney
- 20th Earl & Cindy Liskey
- 24th Andrew & Jaime Heisey
- 27th Marty and Rachel Moyer

Piercing Word

Piercing Word will be presenting "Sermon on the Mount" on Oct. 21st at 7:00 p.m. at Myerstown Church of the Brethren. The mission of Piercing Word is to ignite passion for the Word of God in the heart of the church. This is done by performing scripture word for word in compelling dramatic presentations, challenging and encouraging people to memorize God's Word. Sermon on the Mount: the Musical puts Matthew 5-7, Jesus' most famous sermon to original music. Hear His words as he explains the Old Testament laws and how although man looks on the outward appearance, the Lord looks at the heart. A free will offering will be taken.

Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat - Join us for Myerstown Church of the Brethren's TRUNK OR TREAT at Myerstown Church of the Brethren, Lower Parking Lot/Fellowship Hall on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 4:00 – 6:00 P.M. We are bringing Halloween to our parking lot where kids can go from car to car and get candy in a safe environment. Get creative and sign up to decorate your car and be part of the fun! Games, hot dogs, and prizes will be provided. Please consider signing up in The Gathering Place to help by:

- Decorating your car,
- Helping with food and games, and/or
- Donating needed items

If you have any questions about this event, contact Rachel Moyer, Kim Horn, or any member of the Missions and Fellowship Commission.

Spiritual Renewal Services with Jim Myer "Change Lives" – 2 Corinthians 5:17

Sunday, Oct. 7 – 10:00 A.M.
"Taking the Plunge" – John 5:1-16

Monday, Oct. 8 – 7:00 P.M.
"Why George Goes to Church" – 1 Corinthians 16:1-15

Tuesday, Oct. 9 – 7:00 P.M.
"How Changed Lives Affect the Home" – Ephesians 5:17-25

Wednesday, Oct. 10 – 7:00 P.M.
"How the Bible Changes Lives" – Psalms 119:81-105

Jim Myer will be conducting Love Feast along with Pastor Marty on Sunday, Oct. 7th. Spiritual Renewal Services will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Commissions and Church Board Meeting

Date: September 18, 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 August 21, 2018

Approved as presented by Aye Vote

Treasurer's Report of August 31, 2018

Approved as presented by Aye Vote

Commission Reports & Members Present

Ministry & Evangelism Commission: Co-Chairperson – David Dubble,
Grace Ziegler, Robert Noll, Pastor Marty

Sept. 10th Pastor Marty, Grace Ziegler and David Dubble met at Grace's house. The following was discussed.

Finalized details for "Gospel Music Night"

Discussed Spiritual Renewal with Jim Myer as our speaker.

"Piercing Word" – A flyer will be in the bulletin and at numerous locations. A light snack will be in The Gathering Place.

In response to numerous requests from the congregation, the commission decided to have a Children's story twice a month rather than every Sunday.

It is suggested that the Youth Sunday be held on a Sunday that Pastor Marty has a scheduled vacation day.

Sept. 18th was regular commission meeting.

David led us in prayer.

We discussed the upcoming Revival time and dates. They will be October 7th through Oct. 10th. Jim Myer will be here on Sunday, Oct. 7th for the morning worship service and Love Feast as well as the other nights.

A freewill offering will be taken nightly. It will be given to Brethren Disaster Relief and earmarked for the disaster in the Carolina's.

Earl Liskey will be asked to coordinate the music for revival.

It was discussed about having another Night of Gospel Music since the one just held was well received.

We have set a date of March 9, 2019.

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

The carry-in lunch on Rally Day, Sept. 9th went very well.....about 60-65 people participated.

Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Oct. 27th starting at 5:00 pm. Megan is going to ask Rachel to help.

We will ask the Youth advisors if youth will do games. We will give a presentation in church on Sept. 30th. Volunteers are needed to bring cars. A sign-up sheet for food will be in the Gathering Place.

We will ask Jessica Singer if she is interested in taking pictures.

Megan Thomas will be in charge of Operation Christmas Child. The boxes will be due by Nov. 11th.

We are working on the 2019 directory.

A total of 13 people went to the Mennonite Central Committee to help deconstruct books for their Recycling program.

Christian Education Commission: - Co-Chairpersons – Leslie Fuhrman
Christine Blackwell, Jessica Singer,

As a courtesy, if you are not able to teach Sunday School, please let someone on the commission know who is filling in for you.

We will be finding a Christmas program and starting it in November.
Jess and Leslie will continue on as VBS chairpersons.

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

We discussed our budget.
Fixed all lights in the kitchen.

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

Glenn Hassinger is willing to explain the commitment cards on Sunday during the offering.

Pastor Report

Sermons: 3

Home Visits: 8

Hospital Visits: 1

Attempted Visits: 1)

Church Commission Meetings Attended: Deacons meeting on August 30, Ministry and Evangelism Committee on September 11, Church Board Meetings, August 22 and September 18

Vacation Days Used: 4

Sick Days Used: 0

Church Activities Attended

- COBYS Bike and Hike on September 9
- M.C.C. Disaster Relief Work-day on September 15
- Gospel Night of Music on September 15
- Rally Day Cover-dish meal after church
- District Conference sectional meeting at Spring Creek C.O.B. on September 11.

- Upcoming Schedule

Vacation: October 1 – 6. I will be in the pulpit between those date

Revival Services: October 6-10

Love Feast and Communion: October 7, 6:30, Jim Myer will help to lead the service.

Piercing Word: October 21, 7p.m

Upcoming Sermons:

September 23: "Submit To God, Resist The Devil" James 3:13-4:3, 7-8

September 30: Youth Sunday, no sermon

October 7: Revival Sunday, Jim Myer providing the message.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

We are attempting to make the budget easier to read and understand. We will now call the budget a Ministry Investment Plan.

Interests & Concerns

None

Adjournment

Pastor Marty closed in prayer at 8:35 p.m.

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Pumpkin Roll Baking 8:00 am Pumpkin Roll Filling 5:30 pm	2	3 Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	4 Bible Study 6:00 pm Women's Fellowship Mtg 7:00 pm	5	6 District Conference
7 Chime Choir 8:30 am Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am Love Feast 6:30 pm	8 Pumpkin Roll Baking 8:00 am Pumpkin Roll Filling 5:30 pm Spiritual Enrichment 7:00 pm	9 Spiritual Enrichment 7:00 pm PIZZA HUT DAY	10 Spiritual Enrichment 7:00 pm Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	11 Sharing Cupboard 10-1 Bible Study 6:00 pm	12 Sharing Cupboard 3-6	13
14 Chime Choir 8:30 am Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	15 Pumpkin Roll Baking 8:00 am Pumpkin Roll Filling 5:30 pm	16 Executive Mtg. 6:30 pm Commission Mtg. 7:00 pm Board Mtg. 8:00 pm	17 Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	18 Bible Study 6:00 pm	19	20 Women's Fellowship Consignment Sale
21 Chime Choir 8:30 am Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am Piercing Word 7:00 p.m.	22	23	24 Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	25 Sharing Cupboard 10-1 Bible Study 6:00 pm Spiritual Nurture Mtg 7:00 pm	26 Sharing Cupboard 3-6	27 Trunk or Treat 4-6
28 Chime Choir 8:30 am Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	29 Council Mtg. 7:00 pm	30	31 Londonderry Village Service 7:00 pm			

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Pearl Fetter Parker Strunk Ricky Weitzel	2 Joanne Ealy	3 Ellie Dietrich Aaron Zimmerman	4 Carol Dieffenbach William Muth	5 George Nagle Georgetta Weik	6 Evan Layser Toni Noll Bruce Weaver
7 Anita Hartranft Nancy Layser Kyle Wagner	8	9 Jill Fidler	10 Dylan Bohr	11	12 Kim Horn	13 Brittany Ceresini Amber Heisey Crystal Liskey
14 Delani Hogeland	15 Erin Dietrich	16 Robert Ebersole	17	18 Nova Dietrich Elizabeth Wohlbruck	19	20 Ryan Lentz Linda Miller
21 Tammy Landis	22 Beth Dubble-Smith	23 Jason Behney Kristi Fidler	24 Grace Ruth Ashley Yoh John Zimmerman, Jr.	25 Jodi Hartranft Katrina Wagner	26 Andrew Miller Brenda Strobel Derek Wagner	27 Brantley Hoglund Bob Noll Alison Wenger Heather Wenrich
28 Kathy Krall Nancy Hartman	29 Dale Houtz	30 Eleanor Brubaker	31			