

**Myerstown Church of the Brethren** 

Scriptural Message

For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus in the night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way He took the cup also after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

1 Corinthians 11:23-25

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Myerstown Church of the BrethrenOctober 2019Ministry throughFaith, Vision, and Action

# Read John 17:20-26

On Sunday evening, October 6, we will plan to have our Love Feast and Communion service. If there is ever a time when the church needs to be united, it is at this time. Therefore, I urge all of you to come to Love Feast, as a sign of unity within the church. Why do I say that?

Jesus tells us this. In John 17:21 Jesus tells us "that they (Christians) all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me."

Jesus saw His followers as a witness to the world. When people see us, as Christians, Jesus believes that the world should see us as one body, because the time is urgent.

When Jesus washed His disciple's feet, the time was urgent. Jesus was about to go to the Cross. And His ultimate desire was that His followers would love each other, and be one.

We have that opportunity to be one, by observing a very sacred tradition in the Church of the Brethren. What will be your choice?

Pastor Marty

### Attendance & Offering

Attendance average for August 1, 2019 – August 31, 2019

Sunday School – 26

Worship Service - 103

### Home Care

Lets remember in thought and prayer those living in nursing homes/assisted living homes: Orpha Doutrich, Joanne Ealy, Jeannette Hartman, and Iris Liskey.

### Pizza Hut

We continue to have Pizza Hut Day the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month. Look for your 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 do you think you can use in a month? You don't have to buy a card to give away, you can use them yourself. You can buy your groceries or gas for your vehicles.

#### Attention

It's that time of year when you are probably cleaning out good but unused or unwanted items. The annual bazaar is November 23<sup>rd</sup>, but we are already accepting donations for the "white elephant" tables. The items can be store in the Sharing Cupboard area.

# Love Feast

Sunday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. is Love Feast and Communion. Babysitting is available.

### 2020 Directory

Any changes in the Church Directory for 2020, notify Toni or a Mission & Fellowship commission member

## Speaker for Spiritual Enrichment is Chris Smith and the Theme is CHILDREN OF GOD

Sunday A.M. "Children of God" John 8:31-47 Monday "Children of Truth" John 3:1-21 Tuesday "Children of Light" 1 John 1:1-2:2 Wednesday "Children of Hope" Psalm 33

### Save the Date

Women's Fellowship Christmas Breakfast will be December 14<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **Bazaar News**

Our annual bazaar is Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 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.

### Pot Pie Dinner

We are having a pot pie dinner on November  $2^{nd}$  from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. and takeout at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adult and \$5.00 for children 6-12, under 6 is free. Tickets are due back Oct. 27th.

**100th Anniversary** program will be on Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> at Heidelberg at 7:00 p.m. Don Fitzkee will be the speaker.

### **October Wedding Anniversaries**

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

<b>Commissions and Church Board Meeting</b>	Date: September 17, 2019
Meeting was called to order @ 7:45 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 20, 2019	Approved as presented by Aye Vote
Treasurer's Report of August 31, 2019	Approved as presented by Aye Vote

# **Commission Reports & Members Present**

#### <u>Ministry & Evangelism Commission</u>: Chairperson – David Dubble, Grace Ziegler, Robert Noll, Pastor Marty

Pastor Marty opened with prayer.

The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary program will be held on October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Heidelberg.

The Gideons will be doing a short presentation on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

The Spiritual Renewal services will be held on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> through Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>. Chris Smith will be the guest speaker. A free-will offering will be taken and the money will be given to the Sharing Cupboard.

"Then Sings My Soul" program is moving forward and is going to be held on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. The Children's story is to be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. Length of story is to be no longer than 5

minutes and age appropriate.

We are looking to create a list of possible speakers for Sunday morning services as needed.

We will be preparing a report to present to council on the surveys taken place earlier this year.

# Missions & Fellowship Commission: Chairperson -

Kim Horn, Linda Zimmerman, Janet Dubble

Operation Christmas Child will be Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> through November 25<sup>th</sup>.

We will do a reverse advent calendar in December.

Londonderry Village Bazaar is in October and we will be donating 10 pumpkin rolls.

We received a letter of resignation from Susie Dundore effective immediately for serving on this commission due to work conflict.

This was approved by motion, second and aye vote.

# <u>Christian Education Commission:</u> - Co-Chairperson – Leslie Fuhrman, Lindsey Dimond Christine Blackwell, Jessica Singer

Children's Church

- Curriculum copied through the end of the year
- Finished the schedule through the end of the year
- Need someone to take over planning Children's Church starting the new year.

Resignation Letters

- Seth & Lindsey Dimond and Matt & Karen Sanchez as youth leaders as of September 30, 2019.
- Leslie Fuhrman and Jess Singer as Bible School coordinators effective immediately.
- Leslie Fuhrman on Christian Education as of December 31, 2019.

As of January 1, 2020, we will have 4 vacancies on this commission. The Children's Christmas program will be "The Fumbly Bumbly Angels"

We received a letter of resignation from Leslie Fuhrman for serving on this commission effective December 31, 2019.

This was approved by motion, second and aye vote.

We received a letter of resignation from Jessica Singer as Bible School coordinator effective immediately. This was approved by motion, second and aye vote.

We received a letter of resignation from Leslie Fuhrman as Bible School coordinator effective immediately. This was approved by motion, second and aye vote.

We received a letter of resignation from Seth and Lindsey Dimond as youth advisors effective September 30, 2019.

This was approved by motion, second and aye vote.

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# Trustee and Property Commission: – Chairperson – George Nagle

Mark Landis, Jr., Dale Houtz, Ken Gross,

We got a new light to replace a bad light in the library. We had a request to put a clock in the sanctuary.

# Pastor Report

Sermons: 3

Home Visits: 11

Hospital Visits: 1

Attempted Home Visits: 2

Anointings: 1

Funeral Visitations: 1 Vera Hoffman

Church Commission Meetings Attended: Music Committee on Sept. 3, Deacon's Meeting on August 29

Vacation Days Used: 5

Sick Days Used: 0

Church Activities Attended

-First Choir Practice, September 4

-Rally Day Fellowship meal after church

-Church Board Meeting

## Upcoming Schedule

-September 29: Gideon Speaker (10 min. presentation)

-Love Feast and Communion and Revival Services, October 5-9

-District Conference, October 4-5

-100th Anniversary Celebration: scheduled for Sunday, October 20, 7p.m. at Heidelberg C.O.B. Don Fitzgee, speaker. Historical Celebration of three churches becoming separate congregations.

Upcoming Sermons

September 22: "Praying For All In Authority" I Timothy 2:1-7

September 29: "Who Do You Trust?" Amos 6:1, 4-7

October 6: Revival Sunday "Children of God" John 8:31-47

October 13: "Glorify God In Your Life" Luke 17:11-19

- October 20: "Wrestling With God" Genesis 32:22-31
- October 27: "How Lovely Is Your Tabernacle!" Psalm 84:1-7

### **Unfinished Business**

None

#### New Business

Janet Dubble will be looking into rewriting the structure of the board, as there are fewer folks willing to serve on church board.

#### Interests & Concerns

Moderator David Stauffer will be having hip replacement surgery mid October. Please keep him in prayer.

### <u>Adjournment</u>

We adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

October 2019								
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
		1 Parker Strunk Ricky Weitzel	<b>2</b> Joanne Ealy	<b>3</b> Ellie Dietrich Aaron Zimmerman	<b>4</b> Carol Dieffenbach William Muth	<b>5</b> George Nagle Georgetta Weik		
<b>6</b> Evan Layser Toni Noll Bruce Weaver	<b>7</b> Anita Hartranft Nancy Layser Kyle Wagner	8	9 Jill Fidler	<b>10</b> Dylan Bohr	11	<b>12</b> Kim Horn		
<b>13</b> Brittany Ceresini Amber Heisey Crystal Liskey	<b>14</b> Delani Hogeland	<b>15</b> Erin Dietrich	<b>16</b> Robert Ebersole	17	<b>18</b> Nova Dietrich Elizabeth Wohlbruck	19		
<b>20</b> Ryan Lentz Linda Miller	<b>21</b> Tammy Landis	22 Beth Dubble-Smith	<b>23</b> Jason Behney Kristi Fidler	<b>24</b> Grace Ruth Ashley Yoh John Zimmerman, Jr.	<b>25</b> Jodi Hartranft Katrina Wagner	<b>26</b> Andrew Miller Brenda Strobel Derek Wagner		
<b>27</b> Brantley Hogelund Bob Noll Alison Wenger Heather Wenrich	<b>28</b> Kathy Krall Nancy Hartman	<b>29</b> Dale Houtz	<b>30</b> Eleanor Brubaker	31				

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		1	<b>2</b> Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	<b>3</b> Women's Fellowship Mtg. 7:00 pm	4	5	
<b>6</b> Spiritual Enrichment Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am Love Feast 6:30 pm		<b>8</b> Spiritual Enrichment PIZZA HUT DAY	<b>9</b> Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	<b>10</b> Sharing Cupboard 10-1	<b>11</b> Sharing Cupboard 3-6	12	
<b>13</b> Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am		<b>15</b> Executive Mtg. 6:30 pm Commission Mtg. 7:00 pm Board Mtg. 8:00 pm	<b>16</b> Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	17	18	<b>19</b> Children's Consignment Sale 8:00 am – 2:00 pm	
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<b>27</b> Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	<b>28</b> Council Mtg. 7:00 pm	29	<b>30</b> Londonderry Village	<b>31</b> Spiritual Nurture Mtg. 7:00 pm			