



Myerstown Church of the Brethren

Scriptural Message

2 Corinthians 9:10

"Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness."

Matthew 13:16

"But blessed are your eyes because they see, and your ears because they hear."

1 Chronicles 16:34

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever."

Proverbs 18:20

"From the fruit of their mouths people's stomachs are filled; with the harvest of their lips they are satisfied."

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November 2023

Ministry through
Faith, Vision, and Action

Greetings from Pastor Chris

November is one of my Favorite months of the year. In November we have the leaves changing, and the weather is starting to change. Being able to be outside and seeing all the wildlife getting ready for winter. November also has one of my favorite holidays Thanksgiving. We get together with friends and family with no pressure of having to get presents, but being able to just spend time and look back on the past year and reminisce about all that God has done for us. As a church I want us to look back on the past year and see all that God has done for us here at Myerstown. Are we thanking God for everything he has been doing for us. Sometimes in our busy lives we miss all that God has done. **Psalm100:1-5 "Shout for joy to the Lord, all the Earth. Worship the Lord with gladness, come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his, we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with Thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him and praise his name."** Are we excited about what God has done for us. Are we giving God the thanks and praising him joyfully, not because we have to but because we want to. Are we telling people everything that he has done for us. For some of us this past year might not have been as good as we would have wanted it to be. For some of us we had a lot of hurt and heartache, with loss of a loved one, with loss of health, or even both. But we need to hold on strong and remember that God is faithful. **Psalm118:1 "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love endures forever."** **Psalm118:6-9 "The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me? The Lord is with me, he is my helper. I look in triumph on my enemies. Is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in humans. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes."** The writer of this Psalm was saying that we need to open our eyes to the Lord for our help and for our strength. Life is not always easy but when we sit back and look, it is amazing to see what God has brought us through. His love endures forever. So this Thanksgiving season I encourage all of us to turn our eyes to the Lord and ask him for strength and wisdom, because we are his church, and he is the head of us all his love endures forever!

Attendance & Offering

Attendance average for September 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023

Sunday School – 22
Worship Service – 92
Online – 38

Home Care

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers those living in nursing homes/assisted living homes: **Faye Brubaker, Joanne Ealy, Gloria Keppley, Glenn and Lois Hassinger, Dixie Gasper, Eleanor Brubaker, Ken Gross and David Sheetz**

Gift Cards

The gift card order is always processed 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.

MCoB Email List

If you would like to join the church email list, please send your email address to info@myerstown.org

Christmas Eve Service

The Christmas Eve Service will be held at 5:30 pm this year.

Church Board

The church board is seeking your input. Forms for your comments or requests for the church board are located in the Gathering Place. Please drop your completed forms in the box in the Gathering Place.

Christmas Poinsettia

It is time to order your Christmas Poinsettia. The plants will be in 6 inch pots and have 5-6 blooms and the cost is \$7.00. Deadline to order and pay is Nov. 12th. Sign the sheet in the Gathering Place.

White Elephant

It's that time of year when you are probably cleaning out good but unused or unwanted items. The annual bazaar is November 18th, and we are accepting donations for the "white elephant" tables. The items can be stored in the Sharing Cupboard area.

Soup

If anyone is willing to make chicken noodle soup for the bazaar, please let Toni Noll know. Thank you!

Holiday Bazaar

Saturday, November 18th is quickly approaching. The hours are 8:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. for the bazaar. We appreciate all baked goods, candy, etc. Your items can be dropped off anytime between 9:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Friday the 18th. We have a lot of good cooks and bakers, so let's make this the best year ever! Contact Ruth Saul with any questions about baked goods. Please plan to come out and support this event. We will have pumpkin rolls and apple dumplings available, also egg sandwiches for breakfast and soup, hot dogs and barbeque for lunch. P.S. Don't forget to check out the "White Elephant" tables!

Thanksgiving Eve Service

We will be having a Thanksgiving Eve Service this year to be held on Nov. 22nd at 7:00 pm.

2024 Directory

If you have any changes or additions for the upcoming 2024 directory, please notify Toni in the church office or anyone on the Missions and Fellowship Commission.

Operation Christmas Child

You will have the option of packing an actual shoebox, or choosing the virtual option, and have the Samaritan's Purse staff pack it for you. The deadline for having your boxes packed is Sunday, November 12th. Look for the Operation Christmas Child display coming in The Gathering Place.

Apple Dumplings

Apple Dumpling baking will take place on Thursday, November 16th, starting at 8:00 am. All willing helpers are needed. Thank you!

Attention all youth and parents

The next Kids Club meeting will be December 10th following the church service and the Children's Christmas program.

Lunch will be served immediately after the service and activities will be until 1:30 PM.

We welcome all children of the church and friends.

Please let any Sunday School teacher know if you plan to attend so we can have a count for the food.

November Wedding Anniversaries

- 6th Jason & Leslie Fuhrman
Mark & Tammy Landis
- 9th Bud & Mary Lou Wagner
- 11th Bill & Nancy Wenrich
- 21st Gregory & Kim Horn

DID YOU KNOW?

Brethren Heritage Center, Brookville, OH
is only 33 minute drive to Bethany
Theological Seminary,
Richmond IN

Watch 2 videos on their website.

<https://www.youtube.com/@brethrenheritagecenter8728/videos>



HOLIDAY BAZAAR
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18th

8:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

MYERSTOWN CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

51 W. STOEVEY AVE.

MYERSTOWN, PA

SERVING

Egg Sandwiches for Breakfast

And

Soup, Hot Dogs and Bar-b-Que for Lunch

HOMEMADE BAKED GOODS, CANDY, SUBS,
APPLE DUMPLINGS, COLD SOUPS TO GO,
OUR EVER POPULAR PUMPKIN ROLLS

CRAFTS, VENDORS

Lots of WHITE ELEPHANT Items
PLANTS

FACILITY IS HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

Commissions and Church Board Meeting

Date: October 17, 2023

Meeting was called to order: @ 7:35 pm

by Chairperson: David Dubble

Present were: Secretary – Mark Landis, Jr.

Prayer by: Jay Lentz

Present were: Pastor Chris Dubble

Secretary's Report of September 19, 2023

Approved as presented by aye vote

Treasurer's Report of September 30, 2023

Approved as presented by aye vote

Commission Reports & Members Present

Ministry & Evangelism Commission: Chairperson – Grace Ziegler, Earl Liskey
Pastor Chris, David Dubble, Linda Zimmerman

The meeting opened with prayer by Grace Ziegler.

Worship leaders are in place for the balance of October and November.

Oct. 22	Kim Wenger
Oct. 29	Kim Horn
Nov. 5	Evelina Krall
Nov. 12	Katrina Wagner
Nov. 19	Tim Fetzer
Nov. 26	Mark Landis, Jr.

The Gospel program held on Sunday, October 8th was a success. Monetary donations and food products were donated to the Sharing Cupboard. Thank you notes are being sent to all the participants.

We discussed the possibility of how we could be reaching out to other Brethren churches to develop a closer relationship with like-minded Christians.

We discussed a Thanksgiving Eve Service and Earl gave his input as far as the music. We would like to invite other local churches with the time being 7:00 pm.

The Lebanon County Prayer Walk contacted us and our school would be Jackson Elementary School. The tentative date is Nov. 4th. A notice will be put in the bulletin to get volunteers from the congregation.

Missions & Fellowship Commission: Chairperson – Janet Dubble
Sharon Seldomridge, Tammy Landis

Janet opened with prayer.

Our congregation is participating in the Operation Christmas Child program again this year. The children packed 15 boxes in Kid's Club on October 15. The congregation has the option of packing actual boxes or virtual boxes. Women's Fellowship will fund the purchase of the gifts for the children's boxes, the \$10 shipping fee for all actual boxes, and do a 1-1 match (up to 50) of boxes created by congregation members. Materials will be available in The Gathering Place and the deadline is Sunday, November 12.

Our church has been asked by Samaritan's Purse to be an area collection site for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Collection week is November 13-20 (Monday - Sunday). Collection hours will be scheduled for 2 hours/day, including some early afternoon times and some early evening times. The REACH School has offered to help us with this and will cover the time slots that occur during the school day. MCoB will cover the evening times. Mark Landis, Jr. has offered to lend us 2 lockable trailers that we can use to store the boxes. We will be asking for volunteers to help with this project.

Collection items for Sharing Cupboard for November: Crackers and Cookies

We are participating in the Londonderry Village Annual Holiday Nut and Snack Sale. Orders will be taken through October 23. All orders will be picked up and distributed on Sunday, Nov.19. Order sheets are available in The Gathering Place.

The Londonderry Village Fall Harvest and Christmas Bazaar will be held on October 28; 8AM -1:30 PM. Women's Fellowship will donate 10 homemade pumpkin rolls to be sold at this event.

We discussed a timeline for the rollout for the newly designed church directory and pictorial directory for 2024. We will put a reminder in the bulletin for all changes and updates to the directory to be given to Toni.

The final budget for this Commission was reviewed.

A date of Saturday, November 25 at 9:00 AM was set to decorate the church for Christmas.

Women's Fellowship News

The Women's Fellowship Pumpkin Roll baking is complete. There were 1197 rolls baked. We received pre-orders for 885, saved 100 to sell at the Bazaar, and donated 10 to Londonderry Village for their holiday sale. The extras continue to sell, and there are fewer than 150 left to sell.

The Holiday Bazaar is on November 18, 2023. Volunteers will be needed at this event.

The Women's Holiday Luncheon is now scheduled for Saturday, January 6. It will be held in the MCoB Fellowship Hall. It will be a catered luncheon served by men of the church. We discussed the 2024 budget.

Christian Education Commission: -

Brenda Lentz, Walter Sattazahn, Cindy Sattazahn,
Pastor Chris

October 15th we had Kids Club and had 13 children and we decided to have the next one on December 10th.

The Christmas Program materials have been ordered. It is going to be Stellar Shine Jesus Light Christmas Program.

We talked about whether to have a Children's church on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve services. It was decided not to have Children's Church those 2 Sunday's.

We talked about separating the ages for Junior High for Kid's Club.

Trustee and Property Commission: – Chairperson – George Nagle
Bill Kline, Mark Landis, Jr.

The water heater for kitchen was replaced with a 75 gallon gas water heater.

A new commode was replaced in the ladies room at rear of the church.

We placed sanitary disposal containers in all the stalls in the ladies rooms.

The spouting near the side door sanctuary needs cleaned out. We will clean it tomorrow.

Women's Fellowship paid \$3,000 toward the new water heater.

We will let the school use the sanctuary 1 day a week for an extra \$100.00 a month.

We recommend to do the asphalt paving. An estimate from Folk Paving to do the front is \$40,000 and the back is \$52,000. If we do back and front it would be at a reduced rate.

Finance and Stewardship Commission: – Chairperson – Bob Noll
Jay Lentz

We have completed the proposed church budget with the dollar amounts furnished by each commission.

We would look for Board approval and then to present to Church Council for approval.

We would like to thank everyone for their faithful giving.

New budget approved by the Board to present to Council.

Pastor's Report

Things I have done.

Prayed and helped plan weekly worship services
Been preaching through the Gospel of John. October 22nd will be preaching from John 11:1-16
Met with a group of Brethren pastors
Meet monthly with a pastor mentor
Met with a group from district board
Met with Pete Kontra, District executive
Helped and planned love feast
Helped with forming new church policies
Met with reach Christian School's principal and faculty
Pray with reach Christian school students during morning devotions
Tuesday morning Bible study going through the book of Romans using Right Now Media
Helped with planning and performing a funeral
Attended District Conference Worship Service, and business sessions as a delegate
Did one anointing service
Visited several people in the hospital
Called and visited with several people from the congregation, and community
Visited with ladies aid
Visited and helped with Sharing Cupboard
Visited and drink coffee with volunteers making pumpkin rolls
Come but do not participate, only support Senior Choir and Bell Choir on Wednesday nights

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

The entire Policy Book has been reviewed and updated. The Board will look it over and approve next month.

Interests & Concerns

A concern was raised over locking of all exterior doors.

Adjournment

At 8:30 pm with prayer by Pastor Chris

NOVEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	2 Woman's Fellowship Mtg 6:30 pm	3	4
5 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	6 Praise Team 6:00 pm	7 Bible Study 10:00 am	8 Ladies Aide 9:00 am Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	9 Sharing Cupboard 10 - 1	10 Sharing Cupboard 3 - 6	11
12 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	13 Praise Team 6:00 pm	14 Bible Study 10:00	15 Ladies Aide 9:00 am Bell Choir 6:15 pm Senior Choir 7:30 pm	16	17	18 HOLIDAY BAZAAR 8 am - 1 pm 
19 Sunday School 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am	20 Praise Team 6:00 pm	21 Bible Study 10:00 am	22 Ladies Aide 9:00 am	23 HAPPY THANKSGIVING 	24 Sharing Cupboard 3 - 6	25
		Executive Mtg. 6:30 pm Commission Mtg. 7:00 pm Board Mtg. 7:30 pm	Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:00 pm			
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Randy Wagner	2 Linda Strobel	3	4
5 Kathryn Gobble Greg Horn	6	7 Lloyd Wenger	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Lindsey Dimond Leslie Fuhrman	15 Gloria Brandt	16	17	18
19 Sharon Kline	20 Phyllis Hickernell	21	22	23 HAPPY THANKSGIVING	24 Tim Fetzer	25 Lois Hassinger
26 John Hunsicker	27	28 Robert Krall Mary Jane Smith	29	30 Carl Hartman		

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TURNING POINT'S 365 - DAY BIBLE READING PLAN



One of the best ways to know God is to become acquainted with the full counsel of His written Word. This reading plan will guide you through all 66 books of the Bible in the coming year.

NOVEMBER

1 John 1 - 2	11 Acts 1 - 3	21 Acts 22 - 23
2 John 3 - 4	12 Acts 4 - 5	22 Acts 24 - 26
3 John 5 - 6	13 Acts 6 - 7	23 Acts 27 - 28
4 John 7 - 8	14 Acts 8 - 9	24 Romans 1 - 3
5 John 9 - 10	15 Acts 10 - 11	25 Romans 4 - 7
6 John 11 - 12	16 Acts 12 - 13	26 Romans 8 - 10
7 John 13 - 15	17 Acts 14 - 15	27 Romans 11 - 14
8 John 16 - 17	18 Acts 16 - 17	28 Romans 15 - 16
9 John 18 - 19	19 Acts 18 - 19	29 1 Corinthians 1 - 4
10 John 20 - 21	20 Acts 20 - 21	30 1 Corinthians 5 - 9



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PRAYER REQUESTS

Date:

Prayer:



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Family Order Form

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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 \$25.00	4%		\$	Cabela's \$25.00	10%		\$	Giant Food Stores \$50.00	4%		\$
adidas \$25.00	13%		\$	Carrabba's Italian Grill \$25.00	10%		\$	Groupon.com \$25.00	7%		\$
Aeropostale \$25.00	10%		\$	Carter's \$25.00	10%		\$	Hardee's \$10.00	5%		\$
Amazon \$100.00	1.7%		\$	Cheesecake Factory \$25.00	5%		\$	Home Depot® \$25.00	4%		\$
Amazon \$25.00	1.7%		\$	Children's Place \$25.00	12%		\$	Icing \$10.00	9%		\$
AMC Theatres \$25.00	8%		\$	Chili's Grill & Bar \$25.00	11%		\$	IHOP \$25.00	8%		\$
AMC Theatres Single Ticket \$10.00	10%		\$	Chipotle Mexican Grill \$10.00	10%		\$	J. Crew \$25.00	13%		\$
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American Eagle® \$25.00	10%		\$	Chuck E. Cheese's \$10.00	8%		\$	JCPenney \$25.00	5%		\$
American Girl \$100.00	9%		\$	Claire's \$10.00	9%		\$	Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft Stores \$25.00	6%		\$
American Girl \$25.00	9%		\$	Cold Stone Creamery \$10.00	11%		\$	Kohl's \$100.00	4%		\$
Applebee's \$25.00	8%		\$	Cracker Barrel \$10.00	8%		\$	Kohl's \$25.00	4%		\$
Applebee's \$50.00	8%		\$	Cracker Barrel \$25.00	8%		\$	L.L.Bean \$25.00	16%		\$
Arby's \$10.00	8%		\$	CVS Pharmacy \$25.00	6%		\$	Lands' End \$100.00	15%		\$
AutoZone \$25.00	7%		\$	Dairy Queen \$10.00	3%		\$	Lands' End \$25.00	15%		\$
Banana Republic \$25.00	14%		\$	Darden Restaurants \$25.00	8%		\$	Long John Silver's \$10.00	8%		\$
Barnes & Noble \$10.00	8%		\$	Dick's Sporting Goods \$25.00	8%		\$	LongHorn Steakhouse \$25.00	8%		\$
Barnes & Noble \$25.00	8%		\$	Disney \$100.00	3%		\$	Lowe's \$100.00	4%		\$
Bass Pro Shops \$100.00	10%		\$	Disney \$25.00	3%		\$	Lowe's \$25.00	4%		\$
Bass Pro Shops \$25.00	10%		\$	Domino's \$10.00	8%		\$	Marshalls \$25.00	7%		\$
Bath & Body Works \$10.00	12%		\$	Dunham's Sports \$25.00	8%		\$	Men's Wearhouse \$25.00	8%		\$
Bath & Body Works \$25.00	12%		\$	Dunkin' Donuts \$10.00	3%		\$	Michaels \$25.00	4%		\$
Bed Bath & Beyond \$25.00	7%		\$	Dunkin' Donuts \$25.00	3%		\$	Moe's Southwest Grill \$25.00	6%		\$
Best Buy \$100.00	4%		\$	Eat'n Park \$10.00	9%		\$	Nike \$25.00	12%		\$
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Bob Evans Restaurants® \$10.00	10%		\$	Express \$25.00	10%		\$	Olive Garden \$25.00	8%		\$
Boscov's \$25.00	8%		\$	Famous Footwear \$25.00	8%		\$	OshKosh \$25.00	10%		\$
Boston Market \$10.00	12%		\$	Foot Locker \$25.00	8%		\$	Outback Steakhouse \$25.00	10%		\$
Buffalo Wild Wings® \$10.00	8%		\$	GameStop \$25.00	5%		\$	Panera Bread \$10.00	8%		\$
Buffalo Wild Wings® \$25.00	8%		\$	Gap \$25.00	14%		\$	Panera Bread \$25.00	8%		\$
Build-A-Bear Workshop® \$25.00	8%		\$	Giant Food Stores \$100.00	4%		\$	Papa John's Pizza \$10.00	8%		\$
Cabela's \$100.00	10%		\$	Giant Food Stores \$25.00	4%		\$	PetSmart \$25.00	5%		\$
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Sam's Club \$100.00	2.5%		\$
Sam's Club \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Sheetz \$100.00	3%		\$
Sheetz \$25.00	3%		\$
Shutterfly \$25.00	9%		\$
Speedway \$25.00	4%		\$
Staples \$100.00	5%		\$
Staples \$25.00	5%		\$
Starbucks \$10.00	4.5%		\$
Starbucks \$25.00	4.5%		\$
Subway Restaurants \$10.00	4.5%		\$
T.J. Maxx \$25.00	7%		\$
Taco Bell \$10.00	5%		\$
Talbots \$25.00	13%		\$
Tanger Outlets \$25.00	8%		\$
Target \$100.00	2.5%		\$
Target \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Target \$50.00	2.5%		\$
Texas Roadhouse \$25.00	8%		\$
TGI Fridays \$25.00	9%		\$
The Home Depot® \$100.00	4%		\$
The Home Depot® \$25.00	4%		\$
Under Armour \$25.00	11%		\$
Walmart \$100.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$50.00	2.5%		\$
Wawa \$25.00	1%		\$
Wendy's \$10.00	6.5%		\$

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