

THE BRIDGEWATER CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

at Worship May 31, 2015 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING

The oldest question in the Bible is, “Where are you?” which God asks Adam and Eve after they have eaten from the tree of good and evil. Neither Adam nor Eve answers that question. It would be twenty generations until it was answered by Abraham, the master journeyer...It could be argued that the whole Bible is an answer to that one question: “Where are you?” We so often find ourselves – are able to locate truly who we are – by finding each other.

~Rabbi Brad Hirschfield

*You Don't Have to be Wrong for Me to Be Right:
Finding Faith Without Fanaticism, p. 180*

PRELUDES Soul, adorn thyself with gladness *J. S. Bach*
Trio on NICEA *John Barr*

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

Please sign and pass the *Friendship Register* pad located at the inside aisle of the pew. Signing helps us learn the names of those worshipping near us. After all have signed, the pad can be passed back to the inside aisle.

HANDBELL INTROIT (11:00) Allegro Con Moto *Jason Krug*

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 29:1-4, 8a, 9c, 11 *NRSV*

One: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**All: Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name;
worship the LORD in holy splendor.**

One: The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

**All: The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**

One: The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
and in his temple all say, “Glory!”

**All: May the Lord give strength to his people!
May the Lord bless his people with peace!**

***HYMN #120** *Holy, holy, holy!* *NICAEA*

PROCLAIMING

CHILDREN'S TIME (11:00) *Dianne Murray*
Children of ALL ages are invited to the front of the sanctuary for a time of building upon and connecting to faith through stories and interactions.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION *Jeanie Eye*

CHORAL ANTHEM Deo Dicamus Gratias *Victor C. Johnson*

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 6:1-8 *NRSV*

***HYMN #395** *Here I am, Lord*

HOMILY “Here I Am” *Chris Zepp*

RESPONDING

REFLECTIONS (8:30) Music for contemplation, followed by conversation.

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory

(8:30) We bring our tithes and offerings to the worship center.

Chorale Prelude: “We pray now to the Holy Spirit” *D. Buxtehude*

(11:00) Ushers receive our tithes and offerings.

Handbells Sweet Hour of Prayer. *arr. M. Helman*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Jared Beushlein*

COMMISSIONING FOR SUMMER FAITH EXPERIENCES (11:00) *Insert*

***HYMN #389** *Take my life* *HENDON*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Fugue/Postlude on: *Edward W. Beals*
“Immortal, invisible, God only wise”

* Rise as able in body and spirit.

The flowers on the worship center are shared in celebration and honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Ray & Sandra Glick on May 29, by their children and grandchildren.

MEETINGS & OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & NURTURE

May 31-June 6, 2015 (All events are p.m. unless noted)

This is a church events calendar and does not include all building events use.
Please be sure to schedule ALL EVENTS through the church office.

Today	8:45 a.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	Noon	Youth Inquirers' Class	Senior High Room
	3:00	Youth to VBMHC & JK Homestead	Meet here
Mon.	2:00	Memorial Service for Sara Wine	Sanctuary
Tues.	7:00	Food Pantry	Social Hall
Wed.	11-1	Auxiliary Luncheon	Social Hall
	7:00	Christian Education Commission	Library
	7:00	Mission & Service Commission	Lounge
	7:00	Properties Commission	Open Door Room
Thurs.	Noon	Interfaith Association	EMU
	7:30	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

NEXT SUNDAY– June 7, 2015 – *Second Sunday after Pentecost*

Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary

Pastor Jeff Carr, preaching

Sermon: “Naked Grace”

Scripture Readings: Genesis 3:8-15, 20-24 & Mark 3:20-35

Sunday School – 9:45 a.m. – Classrooms

Youth Fundraiser Lunch – Noon – Social Hall

(Menu: Spaghetti & Salad)

Another Voice Forum – 6 p.m. – Social Hall

BRIDGEWATER CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

*An inclusive family of faith seeking to follow Jesus
and live the love of God.*

Our Mission...

As an inclusive community of faith, we commit ourselves to embody the love of God and to share our diverse lives and gifts with each other and the world. Through faith formation, worship, mission, and fellowship we boldly proclaim the peace and love of Christ. Together we work for justice, extend grace, and partner with God to offer abundant life, healing, and hope to our community and the world.

Our Values...

*Sharing life together and including all persons in our common life.
Growing in faith, compassion, and understanding.
Serving one another and our neighbor's good.
Sharing the love of God and the God that is love.*

PASTORAL MINISTRY STAFF

Jeff Carr – Senior Pastor

Chris Zepp – Associate Pastor

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FACILITIES MINISTRY STAFF

Fortunato Correa – Custodian

Phil Flory – Treasurer

Shannon Puffenbarger – Administrative Assistant

Leon Rhodes – Head Teller

Glenna Wampler – Business Manager

PROGRAM & MUSIC MINISTRY STAFF

Kathleen Arndt – Child Care Center Administrator

John Barr – Organist

Jim Benedict – Bell Choir Director

Jared Beushlein – Summer Ministry Intern

Jeanie Eye – Christian Education Director

Mary Beth Flory – Pianist

Marianne Houff – Children's Choir Director

Ellsworth Neff – Sound, Light, Video Coordinator

Curtis Nolley – Sanctus Choir Director & Music Coordinator

Clarke & Hope Staton – Youth Ministry Coordinators

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Normal office hours are Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-Noon, and 1-5 p.m.

SUNDAY MORNING INFORMATION & TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS

HOSPITALITY CENTER in the Greeting Hall

Nametags; large-print Bibles, hymnals, & bulletins; listening receivers; and information are available here.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:45 a.m.

Rep. – Sarah Rees

All Are Welcome brochures, available in the pews and literature rack, list specific Christian Education opportunities and locations.

PARKING ASSISTANCE: 10:30-10:55 a.m. every Sunday.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME!

Children are always welcome among us and in our corporate worship gatherings. Activity bags are available in the greeting hall for their use and enjoyment. Additionally, childcare for children ages birth to kindergarten is available as well as a “cry room” for those who wish to listen and see the worship service in a separate room from the sanctuary. Ushers are more than willing to help you locate these resources.

Organist (8:30) – John Barr

Greeters (11:00) – Murray & Charlotte Harvey
Miriam Holl & Eleanor Weaver

Head Usher (11:00) – Kevin Keplinger

Sound/Light Operators (11:00) – Ellsworth Neff & Skip Eger

Fellowship Time Host – Tim Kreps

Decorators – Dwyann Stovall, Beth Michael, Nikki Watson

Van Drivers – John Flora / Bill Miracle

ATTENDANCE /STEWARDSHIP FOR LAST SUNDAY: 5/24/15

Worship Attendance: 8:30 – 20 11:00 – 236 Sunday School: 159

Pledges & Envelope Giving	\$10,473.00
Loose Offering	219.00
Church User Fees	725.00
<i>Messenger</i> Subscription	14.50
Vacation Bible School	50.00
Office Expense Reimbursement	8.00
Pentecost Offering	150.00

~ Leon Rhodes, Head Teller

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S ANTHEM TEXT TRANSLATION: Traditional Latin

To God let us say thanks.

Let us give praise to the Lord.

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BRIDGEWATER HOME AUXILIARY LUNCHEON

Date: Wednesday, June 3

Time: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Location: Social Hall

Cost: \$5 (carry-outs available)

Menu: Pulled Pork BBQ, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Fresh Fruit,
Assorted Cakes, Iced Tea, Water

Prepared and served by: Bridgewater UMC

To Benefit: Bridgewater Home Resident Shower Chairs with Scales

DISCOURSE ON VIOLENCE

“Violence is not (only) something that happens at gunpoint. It is present whenever the human dignity of an individual is oppressed, ignored or abused.” ~ R. C. Arnett

On Sunday, June 7, at 6 p.m. a panel discussion will be held in the social hall of our church. Geo Bonilla from the Boys & Girls Club, Candy Phillips from First Step, Richi Yowell from Gemeinschaft, and Hilary Bierly from Family Life Resource Center will present the topic from their respective disciplines or organizations. The panel will be moderated by Earle Fike. Come and hear what these experienced people have to say on the topic. Discussion will follow their brief presentations. Event sponsored by “Another Voice,” an ad hoc group of the church.

THANK YOU

We are grateful to all of these teachers, assistants, child care givers, librarians, substitutes, Children's Worship planners & assistants, Sunday School committee members and commission members who have worked in our Christian Education program for 2014-2015. All of you are a blessing to our church and we appreciate each and every one of you.

Mac Bair	Missy Hipps	Michael Overman
Melanie Bair	Brent Holl	Rebekah Overman
Eric Barkey	Alice Lee Hopkins	Jean Petre
Heather Barkey	Jill Horn	Betty Propst
Palmer Lee Berry	Margaret Horn	Brad Propst
Beth Bowen	Marianne Houff	Julie Propst
Cherie Bowen	Elaine Huffman	Sheldon Propst
Michael Bowen	Heather Kiracofe	Tina Propst
Eleanor Bowman	Leanne Kreps	Shannon Puffenbarger
Sylvia Bowman	Libby Kreps	Laura Quay
Wendy Carr	Tim Kreps	Sarah Rees
Linda Clague	Lori Lineweaver	Gladys Remnant
Sally Jane Conner	Peggy Lineweaver	Mary Lou Shirkey
June Craun	Ada Longenecker	Doris Showalter
Erin Dalrymple	Bill Ludwick	Vickie Slaubaugh
Kyle Evick	Michelle Martin	Carol Spangler
Laura Evick	Claire Martindale	Clarke Staton
Madison Evick	Jan Matteson	Hope Staton
Denny Eye	Beth Michael	Diane Stevens
Erin Eye	David Michael	Dwynn Stovall
Jeanie Eye	Caroline Miller	Tony Stovall
Josh Eye	Donna Miller	Kajsa Svarfvar
Janean Fawley	Laura Miller	Nancy Swartz
Rick Fawley	Mary Miller	Jeannie Turner
Jan Flora	Suzy Miller	Lucile Vaughn
Jane Fulk	Randy Mitchell	Dorris Wampler
Mandi Glendye	Ann Monger	Joyce Wampler
Sandra Glick	Dianne Murray	Ben Wade
Doris Good	Ben Neher	Amanda Zepp
Christy Hartman	Jeanne Neff	Chris Zepp
Adeline Hipps	Emma Nicholas	

WILDERNESS WONDERS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We hope you can join us this summer as we Explore God's Creation June 22-26. Children ages 2 years to those who have completed 8th grade are invited to attend. Registration may be completed online at bwcob.org or by completing a registration form located at the VBS display in the greeting hall. VBS is only a few short weeks away and there are lots of ways you can help.

1. You can help us by donating or lending the supplies listed on owls that are on the VBS display in the greeting hall or by donating cash. When you take one or more of the owls from the VBS display, please complete the sign out sheet on the corresponding clipboard. Return nonperishable supply items, with the owl attached, by Sunday, **June 14**. Perishable items should be delivered to the refrigerator by **June 20**, with the owls attached. Then you can check off the item on the clipboard.
2. If you are loaning items, please make sure you label them with your name. We want to make sure we return all items to their owners!
3. If you're donating cash, please give the money or check, made payable to "Bridgewater Church of the Brethren" with a notation that it is for VBS, to the church office or to Debbie Eye.
4. You could also donate your time and creativity to help as we transform the church building for VBS week. Join us on Friday, **June 19**, at 1 p.m. and Saturday, **June 20**, beginning at 10 a.m. to help decorate for VBS.
5. Another way to help is by volunteering your time and talents in working with the children. We still need Crew Leaders and people to help serve meals. There is a sign-up sheet at the hospitality desk for those interested in serving meals. Please contact Debbie Eye.
6. Perhaps the best way to support our VBS is to invite as many children, ages 2 years through completion of 8th grade, as you can to attend VBS. Children may pre-register by completing the registration form located at our VBS display or online at www.bwcob.org.

For more information call Debbie Eye or email Debra.Eye@vafb.com.

Commissioning for Summer Faith Experiences

Workcamps

Allie Brooner	Madison Evick	Advisors:
Hannah Glover	Adeline Hipps	Clara Metzler
Alton Hipps	Ezra Kasten	Clarke Staton
Taylor Metzler	Emma Nicholas	Hope Staton
Laura Quay	Lisa Retize	
Noah Swift		

National Junior High Conference

Gena Day-Miller	Andrew Kreps	Advisors:
Libby Kreps	Caroline Miller	Leanne Kreps
Ben Neher	Jasmine Retize	Chris Zepp

Brethren Woods

Cooper Bair	Rowan Bair	Gabe Carr
Madison Evick	Brett Eye	Macy Eye
Laney Eye	Hayden Glendye	Noah Gray
Adeline Hipps	Joe Horn	Olivia Horn
David Humes	Denali Judd	Hayden Judd
Francis Kasten	Chloe Kiracofe	Caroline Miller
Laura Miller	Ryan Mutherspaw	Trey Mutherspaw
Andie Neher	Ben Neher	Brycen Propst
Olivia Puffenbarger	Glenda Reitze	Jasmine Retize
Lisa Reitze	Hannah Suter	Harrison Suter
Electa Tasillo-McLaughlin	Shylah Zepp	Tristan Zepp

Commissioning Prayer (Unison)

Loving God, we thank you for these children and youth who have responded to the call this summer, to go from this place and to share and experience life and faith in a new setting. We are grateful for the investment our community is making in the faith formation of these young ones, and for all those whose vision, energy, time, and labor makes these experiences possible. We pray blessings upon each one of them, that through these experiences they may grow in faith, experience and share the love of Christ, and feel the Spirit moving in their hearts and minds. May they return to us with a deepened and renewed awareness of what it means to follow Jesus and live your love. Amen.