

BRIDGEWATER CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

at Worship March 13, 2016 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE Lenten Idyll # 2 *Franklin D. Ashdown*
Preludium *J.C. Schmügel*
Prelude on: "Alas and Did My Savior Bleed" *Carson P. Cooman*

CALL TO WORSHIP ~adapted from back of bulletin

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER Jeff Carr
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.

***HYMN # 594** *Lord, you sometimes speak* CLEVELAND

PROCLAIMING

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES (11:00)

Acadia Bowen, Macy Eye, Isabelle Flory, Andrew Johnson, Hayden Judd, Sam Martin, Corbin Miller, and Shylah Zepp

YORFF'S (11:00) Come Thou Fount *arr. Dawn Wooderson*
Darkness into Light *BWCOB Yorff musicians*

CHILDREN'S TIME (11:00) Jeff Carr
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. Following the Children's Story, all children preschool through 5th grade are invited to attend Children's Worship in the Agape Room.

MOMENT FOR MISSION *Bethany Theological Seminary* Mark Lancaster

OFFERING
Invitation
Offertory

(8:30) We bring our tithes and offerings to the worship center.
(11:00) Ushers receive our tithes and offerings.

Short Partita on: "Ah, Holy Jesus" *John Barr*

I. Chorale II. "Who was the Guilty?"

III. "Lo, the Good Shepherd" IV. "Therefore, Kind Jesus"

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

***HYMN # 139** *Far, far away from my loving father* RESTORATION

SERMON "Lost & found & never missing" Jeff Carr

RESPONDING

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

***HYMN # 143** *Amazing Grace* NEW BRITAIN CM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Call to Confession Psalm 32

Prayer of Corporate Confession (Unison)

We confess before you, God, that we are too full. Most of us have enough and yet we want for more. We fill our lives with our desires. We fill our days and nights with activity. We do not make time to rest. We do not get enough sleep. We do not stop long enough to hear your still small voice. We continue to go and go and go. We are so full of pursuits other than faith that we have grown numb to the hunger of our souls. Yet still, you have claimed us and told us that we belong to you. Help us to see the beauty of rest, the wisdom of prayer, and the wonder when we give our hearts and souls permission to be still and know that you are God. In the mercy of Christ, forgive us and renew us this day. Amen.

Silence for Personal Confession and Reflection

Pastoral Prayer

concluding with The Lord's Prayer ("debts and debtors")

ANTHEM (11:00) O Dearest Lord, Thy Sacred Head *arr. David N. Johnson*
Andrea Nolley, flute

***BENEDICTION**

***THREEFOLD AMEN** *Hymnal #382*

POSTLUDE Postlude on: *Herbert Colvin*
"I Will Arise and Go to Jesus"

* Rise as able in body and spirit.

MEETINGS & OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & NURTURE

March 13-19, 2016 (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	9 a.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	9 a.m.	Puppets Rehearsal	Agape Room
		Children's Worship during Worship at 11	
Mon.	5:00	Retired Ministers & Spouses	Maple Terrace
	7:15	Executive Committee	Lounge
Tues.	7:00	Food Pantry	Social Hall
Wed.	12:05	IFA Lenten Luncheon (Speaker: Dr. Mwizwenge Tembo)	Otterbein UMC
	5:15	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Agape Room
	5:30	Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal	Social Hall
	5:30	Carol Choir Rehearsal	Agape Room
	6:30	YORFF Rehearsal	Room # 35
	6:30	Brethren Student Movement	Carter Center
	7:00	Board of Administration	Seekers Room
Thurs.	7:30	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
Sat.	6:30	Easter Egg Dyeing and Crafts	Social Hall

NEXT SUNDAY – March 20, 2016 – *Palm / Passion Sunday*

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

Pastor Chris Zepp, preaching

Sermon: "But..."

Scripture Readings: Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 22:14-23:56

Children's Worship during Worship at 11

Bell Choir Rehearsal – 9 a.m. – Choir Room

Puppets Rehearsal – 9 a.m. – Agape Room

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

Easter Egg Hunt – Noon – Social Hall

Memorial Service for Bill Johnson – 3:00 p.m. – Sanctuary

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

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Glenna Wampler – Business Manager

PROGRAM & MUSIC MINISTRY STAFF

Kathleen Arndt – Child Care Center Administrator

John Barr – Organist

Jim Benedict – Bell Choir Director

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

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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.

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.

Greeters (8:30) – Ada & Steve Longenecker

Pianist (8:30) – Ann Daggett

Fellowship Host – Donnie Fulk

Greeters (11:00) – Tim & Leanne Kreps; Dan & Charlotte Myers

Head Usher (11:00) – Kevin Keplinger

Sound/Light (11:00) – Ellsworth Neff

Decorators – Heather Barkey, Alice Lee Hopkins, Dwyann Stovall

Deacon Caregiver – Jan Flora

Van Driver – Jim Beckman

Worship Leader (11:00) – Jeanne Neff

TODAY'S ANTHEM TEXT: Henry Ernest Hardy, 1930

O dearest Lord, thy sacred head with thorns was pierced for me;
O dearest Lord, thy sacred hands with nails were pierced for me;
O shed thy blessing on my hands, that they may work for thee.
O dearest Lord, thy sacred feet with nails were pierced for me;
O pour thy blessing on my feet that they may follow thee.
O dearest Lord, thy sacred heart with spear was pierced for me:
O pour thy Spirit in my heart that I may live for thee. Amen.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers being enjoyed during today's worship are shared in memory by the family of Margaret "Peg" Rainbolt.

EASTER FAMILY FUN

On Saturday, **March 19**, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the social hall, we will have a time of family fun getting ready for Easter.

Bring a snack to share (& / or sandwiches if you haven't had time for dinner). Drinks will be provided. After eating we'll dye eggs and make spring crafts. All supplies will be provided.

On Sunday, **March 20** following Worship at 11, we will have an Easter Egg Hunt for all the children. Meet in the social hall to participate. Baskets will be provided and each child will receive an Easter gift.

Please join us for both Easter events and bring a friend!

ATTENDANCE /STEWARDSHIP FOR SUNDAY: 3/6/16

Worship Attendance: 8:30 – 20	11:00 – 249	Sunday School: 159
Pledges & Envelope Giving		\$22,150.33
Loose Offering		398.13
Food Pantry		100.00
<i>Messenger</i> Subscriptions		72.50
Trash Removal		200.00
Rent – Refugee House		650.00
One Great Hour		195.00
Spring Potted Flowers		312.00
Wednesday Night Meals		217.00
Youth Programs		621.00
Office Expense Reimbursement		5.00
Special Accounts		206.87
Backpack Program		50.00
JOY Circle		7.50
Margaret Rainbolt Memorial Fund		30.00

~ Leon Rhodes, Head Teller