

FIRST CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

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We Are Called To Be

A CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SHARING THE LOVE OF GOD

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+Stand as you are able

Welcome:

Thought: "True repentance leads a person to say, "I have sinned" and prove it with a 180-degree change of their direction. Repentance leads us to cultivate godliness while eradicating habits that lead into sin." (Biblestudytools.com)

Prelude

Call to Worship

+One: 'And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him, to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins...' Luke 1: 76 - 77

ALL: IN THE LONELY PLACES; THE WILDERNESS; WHERE WE STAND FORLORN; WINDSWEPT AND ALONE; YOUR VOICE CALLS OUT. PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD; IN THE DARK PLACES; THE SHADOWS; WHERE WE HIDE OUR FEARS; EMBRACE OUR TEARS. YOUR VOICE CALLS OUT; PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD

One: "Because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace." Luke 1: 78, 79

ALL: AS THE RISING SUN COMES TO US EACH DAWN; SHINE UPON THOSE WHO LIVE IN DARKNESS; THAT ALL MIGHT KNOW THE JOY OF OUR SALVATION; THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS; AND YOUR GREAT MERCY; FOR THE DESERT PLACES IN WHICH WE WALK; THE STREETS WE ROAM; THE PATHS WE CROSS; GUIDE OUR FEET.

TAKE US TO PLACES WHERE YOU WOULD GO. GIVE US WORDS THAT YOU WOULD USE; THAT WE MIGHT POINT THE WAY WITH JOHN THE BAPTIST TO THE LAMB OF GOD, WHO TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD!*

+Hymnal: Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

No. 151

+Prayer

Sharing our Tithes and offerings:

Ever-loving, ever-giving God, as we bring our gifts to you, we confess our need for repentance. We have often let the call of the world drown out your call in our lives, and in our desire to be like the world, have neglected to give to the Kingdom.

Offertory

+Response: Change My Heart

Songbook No. 10

+Prayer

Choir: Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Words by Joseph Hart, arranged by Heather Sorenson

Scripture : Matthew 3: 1-17

Hymnal: Make Me a Captive Lord.

No. 539

Juniors Dismissed for Junior Church

Message: Repentance and Stones Pastor Marla Abe

+Hymnal: Wonderful Grace of Jesus

No. 150

Community Sharing:

Announcements

Joys and Concerns

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (using debtors)

Closing Song/Prayer

Blue Book: Take O Take Me as I Am.

No. 54 (2xs)

Postlude

+Stand as you are able

*http://www.faithandworship.com/Advent/Advent_John_the_Baptist.htm#ixzz5bwDBW1Ph

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note two corrections: The MLK service is on January 20th NOT the 19th (the MLK Scholarship Ball is on the 19th). The Souper Bowl Sunday ENDS on February 3.

The MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SERVICE will be held on **JANUARY 20**. Our Witness Commission will be serving hot chocolate to those who march which takes place before the afternoon service.

Menu plan for the Deacon Lunch on January 20th as follows:

A-C Casserole or soup
M Desserts
S, T & W Vegetable or Salad

During the month of January, Witness Commission is asking help to supply soup cans for Project SHARE's Souper Bowl Sunday. The results of the collection will be placed in the Narthex so we can make this a team effort. The collection **WILL END ON February 3**.

Today, Secret Sister Sheets will be available on the usher's table as you enter the sanctuary. If you are interested in becoming a Secret Sister for 2019, please fill it in and turn in NEXT WEEK. We need to have at least 5 participants to have the Secret Sister Program. If you are not sure about it, ask one of the women who had a secret sister this past year. It is a ministry of letting a woman know they are being thought about and considered in prayer for the upcoming year. If we have enough we will collect sheets and exchange names.

January 22: Cross Keys - Poetry Writing Workshop
January 27th Secret Sister names to be exchanged.
January 30: Cross Keys - Adventures in Air Traffic Control.
February 3rd - Project SHARE Souper Bowl Collection ENDS.
February 23 - SOPA is sponsoring a Men's Spiritual Leadership Summit & Breakfast, "Living as a Man of Christ in Divisive Times" with guest speaker, Larry M Dentler, at Mechanicsburg Church of the Brethren, 301 Gale Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. See flyer on bulletin board for more details.

The Music and Worship commission is in need of a person to be the head usher one Sunday a month. Please see Pat Tritt for a full job description.

There are free 2019 calendars in the lobby for anyone who needs one.

Jeff Wallace, son of Lyle and Mary Jane King, is celebrating his 50th birthday on January 18th. We would like to have a card shower for him. Please mail cards to Manor Care, Room 133A, 940 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle, PA 17015.

The Sonbeams' Class will be starting a new study text this month, called 'The Relief of Imperfection.' If you are interested in joining us for this topic, feel free to join us on Sunday mornings at 9 am.

The Church Directory has been reproduced for 2019 and the office secretary, Judy, would like anyone interested to look it over and make any corrections that are needed. It will be hanging on the bulletin board, with a red pen attached for the corrections.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TODAY

9:00 am Sunday School
10:15 am Worship Service

MONDAY, January 14

1:00 pm Witness Commission

TUESDAY, January 15

9:00 am Quilting
7:00 pm Church Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, January 16

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, January 19

3:00 pm CCNS Toy Cleaning

SUNDAY, January 20

9:00 am Sunday School
10:15 am *Sermon* Jesus is tempted in the wilderness
12:00 noon Deacon lunch
MLK Service