

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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Any New Announcement Not Printed in the Bulletin

Worship Leader: Michelle Stump

Prelude: "The God of Abraham Praise", Hebrew melody
arranged by Don Whitman

Call to Worship:

L: We come this day hoping to encounter Christ.

P: We come with burdens and questions that only He can answer.

L: May we open our hearts to Him.

P: May our lives be healed and strengthened for service.
AMEN.

Invocation:

Lord, we are such stubborn people. We want to know all the answers. We find it hard to place our trust even in your Son. When Jesus proclaims that we can have a new life, we want to know how this is possible. How can we get rid of the old burdens and difficulties and start over again? Wouldn't it be just like climbing back into the womb to make a fresh start? How we have misunderstood what Jesus has said. New life is possible. We can place our trust in God's healing care. Forgive us, and help us, gracious Lord. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Opening Song

#588 Jesus the Very Thought of Thee

Children's Story: Debbie Meenan

(Immediately following the story, the children are invited to attend Children's Church)

Scripture Lesson:

John 3:1-17

Sharing of Joys, Concerns and Prayer

Song:

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Message: Rethinking Life

Closing Hymn: #301 Joys Are Flowing Like a River

Benediction:

Lord, as we go from this place, walk with us. Give us renewed confidence in your will and transform our lives that we may serve you better. AMEN.

***Postlude**

***Stand as you are able**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Nurture Commission is holding the following NYC fundraisers:

Sunday, February 13th: Nurture Commission is holding a Spaghetti Dinner. Please sign up if you are interested in attending.

March 13th: Soup sale right after church.

March 27th: Hickory Ridge lunch after church.

April 17th: Hoagie sale.

Rada Cutlery sales. See flyer on bulletin board if you would to purchase an item.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TODAY

9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
Global Food Initiative

TUESDAY, January 11, 2022

8:00-12:00 Central PA Food Bank
6:30 pm SOPA
7:00 pm Stewards Meeting

THURSDAY, January 13, 2022

9:30 am Witness Commission
1:00 pm Quilting

SUNDAY, January 16, 2021

9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service