

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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Welcome & Announcements (Updates – Not in bulletin)

Worship Leader: Jeanne Bobenage

Prelude

Call to Worship:

L: Your steadfast love, O Lord,

C: Extends to the heavens,

L: Your faithfulness to the clouds.

C: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,

L: Your judgments are like the great deep;

C: You save all of creation, O Lord. So please help us to depend fully upon you.

Opening Hymn

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Invocation:

Light of Christ, awaken us this hour to the glory of Your presence in our midst. Shine among us in such a way that the darkness without and within may be pushed back, such that we might truly see what is really real. Help us to recognize our sin for what it is. Enable us to behold the world as You created it to be, as You created

us to be. Empower us to move from darkness to light, from sin to new life. May Your light within us shine through into worship this day, as all days. This we pray in the name of the Word made flesh, the light which is the light of all people. Jesus Christ. Amen.

Children’s Story: Sommar Damiter

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

Scripture Lesson: Deuteronomy 6:1-12

A Time of Sharing

A Time of Prayer

Video

Sermon: Your Story is Part of His Story
Deuteronomy 6:1-12

Closing Hymn

Blessed Assurance Jesus Is Mine

Benediction:

Go with confidence into the days ahead, trusting in God’s unfailing love and faithfulness. God will not abandon you, for you are the work of His hands—His own creation—and His love endures forever. So go in joy to love and serve the Lord!

***Postlude**

***Stand as you are able**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the Women's Fellowship "Conversations with Women" meeting being held at Nell Royer's home at 2:00 pm. If you need help finding her home, please see Gloria.

Today is also the fourth quarter Special Offering Sunday to donate funds to the District and Brotherhood. During the first three quarters, the congregation donated a total of \$2,708 in special offerings for the District and Brotherhood. These special offerings represent 72% of the congregation's \$3,750 total contribution to date, and some of these offerings were received during the COVID-19 shutdown of the church. Our 2021 District and Brotherhood total commitment is \$5,000

The United Methodist Women of Otterbein cordially invite you to their annual Ladies' Thanksgiving Breakfast on Saturday, **November 20** at 9:00 a.m. at the Otterbein United Methodist Church, 647 Forge Road in Carlisle. See the invitation on the bulletin board.

It's that time of year again; time to start packing shoeboxes for **Operation Christmas Child**. Shoeboxes are available in the narthex. Inside each box is a paper with suggestions of things to put in the boxes. The deadline for returning the boxes is Sunday, November 21. This program started in Ecuador. Many who enroll in the program become pastors and start churches in their country.

There will be a Church decorating day on Tuesday, **November 23rd** beginning at 10:30 am. Feel free to join us as we prepare for Advent and Christmas. Please note that there will not be a Hanging of the Greens service this year. If there are any questions regarding the change in the service direct them to Jeanne Bobenage or Rita Young, Music and Worship co-chairs.

Camp Eder's Christmas Tree Festival Friday & Saturday, December 10 & 11 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Flyer on bulletin board.

Nurture Commission is raising money for NYC through Rada Cutlery sales. See flyer on bulletin board if you would like to purchase an item (or two).

Because of the pandemic, Christian Aid Ministries will NO LONGER be collecting medicine containers. The containers that had been sent to various countries can no longer be shipped.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TODAY

9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
Special Offering Sunday
12:00 noon Lunch @ Red Robin
2:00 pm Women's Fellowship - Conversations with Women @ Nell Royer's home

WEDNESDAY, November 17, 2021

9:00 am Birthday Breakfast @ Fairgrounds Diner

THURSDAY, November 18, 2021

6:30 pm SOPA Meeting

SUNDAY, November 21, 2021

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