

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

THOUGHT FOR CONSIDERATION

“The people who walked in darkness (if negative darkness means fear, frustration, problems, pain) have seen a great light.” ~Isaiah 9:2
Shine upon us O God! Shine in Us, O God. Shine through us, O God.

PRELUDE

CALL TO CELEBRATION*

One: The whole world was lost in the darkness of sin.
ALL: THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD IS JESUS.
One: Like sunshine at noonday His glory shone in.
ALL: THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD IS JESUS.

HYMN Lo, a Gleam from Yonder Heaven No. 591

OPENING PRAYER

SHARING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

One: No darkness have we who in Jesus abide.
ALL: THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD IS JESUS.
One: We walk in the Light when we follow our Guide.
ALL: THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD IS JESUS.
One: Then let us live in the light!
ALL: THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD IS JESUS.

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY RESPONSE We Give Thee but Thine Own No. 384 vs 1

OFFERTORY PRAYER

HYMN Jesus Shall Reign No. 319

SPECIAL MUSIC Light! Choir
By: David Schmidt

CHILDREN DISMISSED TO CHILDREN’S ACTIVITIES

One: There is a call comes ringing o’er the restless wave,
ALL: SEND THE LIGHT! SEND THE LIGHT!
One: There are souls to rescue, there are souls to save.
ALL: SEND THE LIGHT! SEND THE LIGHT!

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 9: 2-7

MESSAGE “Making Light of the Darkness” Pastor Jim

One: Let us not grow weary in the work of love,
ALL: SEND THE LIGHT! SEND THE LIGHT!
One: Let us gather jewels for a crown above.
ALL: SEND THE LIGHT! SEND THE LIGHT!

COMMUNITY SHARING

Announcements
Concerns and Joys
Morning Prayer (including prayer of dedication for Shoe Boxes)

One: Send the light, the blessed gospel light.
ALL: LET IT SHINE FROM SHORE TO SHORE.
One: Send the light, the blessed gospel light.
ALL: LET IT SHINE FOR EVERMORE!

HYMN Christian, Let Your Burning Light No. 402

POSTLUDE

*Responses from “Light” arranged by David Schmidt

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today - We will be collecting the Christmas Shoeboxes. Also, during the Sonbeam's Class they will be decorating the bags for the Truck Stop Cookie Drive.

November 22 - The Carlisle Area Religious Council will sponsor the community Thanksgiving service at The Meeting House, 1155 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle at 7:00 pm. We hope you can attend.

November 22 - 26 - Marla and Jim will be on vacation. Please see your Deacon or Cluster leader if you have any issues.

November 25 - We will again be ringing the Salvation Army Kettle Bells from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm at the Point Mall, outside of the Bon Ton. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. There are still a few open time slots. Please check your calendar and see if you can help out with this project. Thanks.

November 26 - Rev. Harold Yeager will be the guest speaker during worship service.

November 26 - The Sonbeam's Class will be bagging the cookies on Sunday morning during the Sunday School hour. We would appreciate your help with cookies, lots of cookies, which will be donated to the Truck Stop Ministry on the 27th. Thanks!

November 29 - Senior Citizen Day at Camp Eder beginning at 9:30 am. This month guest Kerry White will provide a musical comedy in the morning. A home-style lunch: roasted turkey breast w/stuffing, mashed potatoes, green beans, side salad, dinner rolls, and apple pie. In the afternoon there will be holiday activities. The cost is \$18 per person which includes all activities and lunch. RSVP to 717-642-8256 or online at campeder@campeder.org

November 30 - The last Birthday Breakfast of this year has been switched from the last Wednesday of the month to Thursday, and will be held at Carlisle Diner at 9:00 am.

December 10 - A Christmas Tea is being planned for Women's

Fellowship. This will replace the Annual Christmas Banquet. The Christmas Tea will be held following the Worship Service. If anyone would like to help prepare some of the parts of the tea, such as a soup, a salad, a dessert, sandwiches, scones, see Gloria as she has some recipes to use. Everyone will be asked to bring a tea cup for their tea sampling. If anyone has teapots to share with us for this tea party, please let Gloria know. She would appreciate help with this gathering. In addition, Secret Sisters will meet directly after the tea to exchange their gifts. An invitation will be forthcoming in the next couple weeks.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, November 19

9:00 am Sunday School
10:15 am Worship
Collection of the Christmas Shoeboxes

TUESDAY, November 21

7:00 pm Church Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, November 22

Articles are due for the Newsletter
Office Closed
7:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Service @ The Meeting House

THURSDAY, November 23

Thanksgiving Day
11:00 am Cindy Roth (photos in the Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY, November 24

Office Closed

SATURDAY, November 25

10:00 am - 5:00 pm Salvation Army Kettle Ringing

SUNDAY, November 26

9:00 am Sunday School
10:15 am Worship
Guest Speaker: Retired Pastor Harold Yeager