

The First Church of the Brethren Roaring Spring, Pennsylvania October 22, 2023

“From the rising of the sun and from the west ... there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other” (Isaiah 45:6).
I praise you, Lord God!

Community Gathering

Announcements

Pattie Conlon

Enter the Light of Christ

Call to Worship

One: Come, Holy God. Draw near.

All: We long to see you.

One: Come, God of justice, be present with us today.

All: We need your grace in this world.

One: Come in this hour.

All: Show us your love.

Praise Through Video

I'm Made New

Children's Story

Betsy Garach

*(Children ages Pre-K through 5th Grade are invited to attend
Children's Church)*

Deacon Calling

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Congregational Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn # 447

O Jesus I Have Promised

Scripture

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David A. Crumrine

Offertory Thought

Offertory

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

*Closing Hym # 521

Come Thou Fount

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

Bold print indicates congregational response.

Some parts of this service were adopted from The Abingdon Worship Annual.

The bulletins are given in honor of Deacons for the service they provide to The First Church of the Brethren.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please include in your prayers: Tom Sell, Bill & Carolyn Grubb, Nancy Mobley, Barbara Roush, Fred Beers, Dorothy Holsinger, Sharlene Wood and family, Dan Emerick, John Coates, Eric & Shawna Thompson, Pat Dick, first responders, those affected by natural disasters, those with health concerns, our church family.

Please sign the Friendship Attendance Register located at the end of each pew, including any **changes** to address, email or telephone numbers. New attenders may include their information when they feel comfortable to do so.

Ladies Encounter Hoss's Fundraiser

October 22, 2023 at the Duncansville and Bedford Hoss's locations. Please present prior to ordering. Group # 127932

if you ordered a sandwich from the Village at Morrisons Cove Auxiliary Fundraiser for October 26th. Pick up will be from 9-11 am in the Overflow Room.



October 26th 6 – 8 pm

Set up at 5 pm

Serving Today		Serving next Sunday
Candlelighter	Deacons	Deacons
Organist	Cathy Petre	
Pianist	Marcia Fleck	Brenda Fluke-Garber
Worship Leader	Pattie Conlon	Linda Steele
Storyteller	Betsy Garach	Sandy Norris
Children's Church	Melinda Green Terra Gartmann	Amy Nooyen
Welcome Center	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland
Nursery		
Parking Lot Greeter		
Greeter	Cathie & Michael Pollard	Cathie & Michael Pollard
Deacon Greeter	Kaye Russell	Kaye Russell
Head Ushers: Dave Brumbaugh, J D Barry, Pat Frazier		
Worship Coordinator: Terry Hershberger		
Chancel Choir Accompanist: Cathy Petre		
Officiant: Rev. Dr. David A. Crumrine		

Weekly Stewardship Report

October 15, 2023	Attendance	Offering
Worship	135	\$ 4,527.25
Sunday School	81	\$ 63.00

Income / Expense through October 15, 2023

Actual Income	\$ 206,983.56
Budget Income	\$ 197,989.62
Actual Expense	\$ 216,269.63

2023 – 2024 Sunday School Classes

Class	Location	Class	Location
Nursery	Room 202	Generation Hope	Room 506
K – 2 nd Grade	Room 201	Genesis	Room 406
3 rd – 5 th Grade	Room 405	Alpha	Room 402
Junior High	Room 504	Living Faith	Room 301
Senior High	Room 502		

Living out our Faith

Vision Being the hands and feet of Jesus, serving with open minds and hearts.

Mission We exist to be a community of welcome and worship where people find peace, purpose, and power through Jesus Christ.



Fellowship Meal

Soup & Sandwiches

October 29th

11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Please sign up at the Welcome Center and let us know what you will be bringing and how many will be attending.

October 22 - 29, 2023

Today	9:25 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Sunday School
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bible Study
	6 pm	Leadership Team Meeting
Wednesday	9 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
	1 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry in Parlor
	5:45 pm	ReCharge
	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Practice
Thursday	9 am	Bulletin Announcement Deadline
	9 am	Breakfast Fellowship @SpringHouse
	6-8 pm	Trunk or Treat
	6:30 pm	Knitting in Parlor
Friday	5:30 pm	Parking Lot Fundraiser
	9-11 pm	5 th Quarter
Sunday	9 am	Children's worship practice
	9:25 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Sunday School
	11:45 am	5 th Sunday Fellowship Meal



November 5th

12 pm

Fellowship Hall

All those 55 and older are invited to a roast beef meal.

Please sign up at the Welcome Center

OPEN BALLOT FOR CALL OF DEACONS

Biblically and historically, the Church of the Brethren has **called** rather than elected Deacons. The church considers Deacons to be a **set-apart** ministry, whereby the congregation recognizes the gifts of specific individuals inviting them to a position of leadership.

The duties assigned to the Deacons are:

- Ministering to the sick, unfortunate, and needy
- Overseeing Baptism, Love Feast, and Communion
- Consulting with the pastors on issues of membership
- Encouraging persons to consider ministry vocations
- Providing a caring ministry as Undershepherds

The church has held up the biblical standards found in **1 Timothy 3:8-13** which calls for Deacons to be spiritually mature, persons of integrity, faithful to the teaching of scripture, and exhibit a life of obedience to God.

After prayerful consideration, I believe the following persons would serve well as Deacons:

DEACON EMERITUS

Gary and Jane Thompson
Mark Garach

DEACONS CURRENTLY SERVING THE CHURCH

Betsy Garach (2023)
Kaye Russell (2023)
Krista Snyder (2023)
Linda Steele (2023)
Doug & Brenda Garber (2023)
Dan & Sharon Hammel (2023)
Don Bookhammer (2023)

Keith & Kristen Hall (2024)
David & Janet Imes (2024)

Mitch & Bethann Frederick (2026)
Sandy Norris (2026)
Pattie Conlon (2026)

Mike & Becky Bianconi (2027)
Dave & Valerie Smith (2027)
Paul & Julie Witkovsky (2027)

DEACONS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO SERVE AGAIN

Betsy Garach
Kaye Russell
Krista Snyder
Linda Steele
Doug & Brenda Garber
Dan & Sharon Hammel
Don Bookhammer