

# First Church of the Brethren Roaring Spring, Pennsylvania

## March 17, 2024

Dear ones, welcome to worship as we gather in Jesus' name  
as one family in God's embrace. Amen.

Community Gathering

Welcome & Greeting

Enter the Light of Christ

Call to Worship Marlys Hershberger

One: Are you feeling tired and worn out?

**All: Call on the name of the Lord.**

One: Are mistakes from the past weighing you  
down?

**All: Come to the fount of living water.**

One: Are the person you wish to be?

**All: Seek God's help and it will be granted**

One: Are you looking for a better path?

**All: Let Christ show you the way.**

One: Come! Let us worship.

Praise Through Video *I'm Made New*

Children's Story Bethann Frederick  
*(Children ages Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are invited to attend  
Children's Church)*

Mentoring Celebration

Hymn # 11 *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

Sharing of Joys & Concerns  
Congregational Prayer

Chancel Choir *Lift High the Cross* Hawkins/Nelson

Offertory Thought Video

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Offertory Prayer

Scripture John 12:20-33

Sermon Rev. Dr. David A. Crumrine  
*Spring Forward*

\*Closing Hymn *Everlasting God*

\*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 Don Bookhammer &  
Nancy Mobley.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Please include in your prayers:** Family of Tom Sell, Fred &  
Arlene Beers, Bill & Carolyn Grubb, Tommy Smith, Herb &  
Beth Burns, Tom & Janis Thompson, Joan Johnson, Joyce  
Mock, John Coates, Barbara Roush, Pat Dick, Nancy  
Mobley, Jeff Hoover, Dolly Glass, Dorothy Holsinger,  
Sharlene Wood, Dan Emerick, Eric Thompson, first  
responders, Camp Blue Diamond, 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.

**Easter skit practice** will be held Saturday March 23rd at  
9am and Wednesday March 27th after Recharge. We will  
meet at the church Easter Morning at 9:00am.

## 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.

### Serving Today

### Serving next Sunday

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Candlelighter	Genesis Class
Organist	Terry Hershberger
Pianist	Marcia Fleck
Worship Leader	Marlys Hershberger
Storyteller	Bethann Frederick
Children's Church	Angie Russell
Welcome Center	Darlene Wyland
Nursery	Mindy Wagner
Parking Lot	
Greeters	Cathie & Michael Pollard
Deacon Greeters	Doug & Brenda Garber
Head Ushers: Dave Brumbaugh, J D Barry, Pat Frazier Worship Coordinator & Choir Director: Terry Hershberger Chancel Choir Accompanist: Cathy Petre	
Officiant: Rev. Dr. David A. Crumrine dcrumrine@rsfirstchurch.org  First Church of the Brethren 901 Bloomfield Street Roaring Spring, PA 16673 Office 814.224.4113 Churchoffice@rsfirstchurch.org	

**Blessing Box outreach** - The box is stocked with donated hygiene and cleaning supplies including deodorant, shampoo, lotion, individual toothbrushes, toothpaste, dish soap, hand soap, laundry soap, razors, individual bars of soap, toilet paper, etc. All donations can be placed in the totes in room 402. Marlys Hershberger can answer any questions.



**An Easter Egg Hunt** will be held at 6 pm March 26<sup>th</sup>. Children through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to attend. Please bring your baskets and gather in the Fellowship Hall! Anyone wishing to donate individually wrapped goodies for the hunt are asked to place their donation on the round table in the Overflow Room through March 24<sup>th</sup>.



**April 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am**  
**in the Fellowship Hall**

Our theme is International Food. Spaghetti & Meatballs, tableware and drinks will be provided. Please sign up at the Welcome Center no later than March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**JOY Soup & Sandwiches** will be held at noon today in our Fellowship Hall for those 55 and over. Please join us for a meal and a time of fellowship.

**Help Joan Johnson celebrate her 91<sup>st</sup> birthday** on March 27<sup>th</sup> with a card shower. Birthday wishes can be sent to her at 437 Givler Drive Room 418, Martinsburg, PA 16662.

**March 17 - 24, 2024**

Today	8:20 am	Mentoring Celebration
	9 am	Mentoring Slide Show
	9:25 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Sunday School
	11:45 am	Deacon Meeting
	12 pm	JOY Soup & Sandwich
Monday	10 am	Book Group
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bible Study
	6 pm	Sisters of Faith
Wednesday	9 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
	10 am	RS Library Quilters
	1 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
	4:30 pm	RS Library Quilters
	5:45 pm	ReCharge
Thursday	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Practice
	9 am	Bulletin Announcement Deadline
	9 am	Breakfast Fellowship
Saturday	6:30 pm	Knitting in Parlor
	9 am	Easter Skit Practice
Sunday	9:25 am	Palm Sunday Worship
	10:30 am	New Member Reception

**Weekly Stewardship Report**

March 10, 2024	Attendance	Offering
Worship	107	\$ 4,791.00
Sunday School	63	\$ 141.00

**Income / Expense through March 3, 2024**

Actual Income	\$ 55,296.88
Budget Income	\$ 55,096.15
Actual Expense	\$ 60,596.79

**2023 – 2024 Sunday School Classes**

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

**Our congregation is participating in PACKHOPE** (a food repackaging program of an organization called UNTO based in Mt. Joy, PA) on Saturday, April 6. This event is sponsored by the Roaring Spring Ministerium and will take place at the ARCH building located at 714 Rockingham Ave., Roaring Spring. Volunteers repackage beans and rice which come in 50 pound bags to send to people around the world who live in a food crisis. Approximately 210 volunteers are needed to work 2-hour shifts. This is a great opportunity for youth who may need community service hours, as well as adult individuals and groups of all kinds. Sign-up sheets are on a counter in our Overflow Room. Please sign up for one or more shifts: 9-11am, 11:30 am-1:30 pm, 2-4 pm. For more info contact Marlys Hershberger (cell: 814-329-5604) or Christine Ebersole (email: cfebersole@yahoo.com).

**There will be NO Sunday School** following worship on Palm Sunday (3/24) or on Easter Sunday (3/31). There will be fellowship time to welcome new members following baptisms on Palm Sunday.

**Easter flower orders** are due today to Beth Burns or the Welcome Center. Forms are available at the Welcome Center.

**Spring Ladies/Teen Encounter** will be held at Faith Assembly Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am -1 pm. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at Roaring Spring Department Store March 15 – April 20 or contact Sharon Hammel and she can get tickets April 6<sup>th</sup>.

## 2023-2024 Mentoring Program

<u>Mentee</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Jack Myers	Kevin Schneider
Nittany Smith	Mandy Croft
Hunter Keith	Mike Burns
Izy McCready	Dawn Crumrine
Willow Miller	Bethann Frederick
Vada Thompson	Julie Dick
Destiny Wagner	Brenda Garber
Annabelle Hoffman	Bonnie Butler
Dylan Keith	Don Myers
Bella Dellinger	Terra Norris-Gartmann
Mason Hershberger	Travis Russell

**Mother's Day** is traditionally a day when we dedicate children. Please notify the church office or Pastor Dave if you are interested in having your child/ren dedicated on May 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Herb & Beth Burns wish to thank** their church family for all the prayers, cards, well wishes, good thoughts, and phone calls during Herb's recent health issues and concerns. He is on the mend and looking forward to worshipping with his church family in person soon.

# Holy Week Schedule

## **March 24 at 9:25 am Palm Sunday Worship**

We will receive new members into our church family through baptism and transfer. The Deacons invite everyone to a reception for them following worship.

## **March 28 at 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday**

Love Feast will include a time of preparation, feetwashing, a fellowship meal and communion. Childcare will be available. Please contact Dave & Valerie Smith if you need transportation.

## **March 29 Good Friday**

Christ Church, Roaring Spring, invites the public to a self-guided walk and reflection at 2 pm.

Resurrection: Based on a short story by Max Lucado will be shown in our sanctuary at 6:30 pm. The movie will last about 50 minutes. Dave and Valerie Smith would be happy to give a ride to anyone who needs, just ask.

## **March 31 Easter Worship**

6:45 am Community Sunrise Service at Greenlawn Cemetery.

Come and join in celebrating the joyous truth of Jesus' resurrection that will include an Easter skit performed by the children as part of our morning worship at 9:25 am.