



First Church of the Brethren

Roaring Spring, PA

October 13, 2024

Because Jesus is our great high priest, we “approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need” (Hebrews 4:16, NRSV). Welcome.

Community Gathering

Welcome, Greeting, Announcements

Enter the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship Pattie Conlon

One: Where do we turn when our cries go unanswered?

All: Where do we turn when we feel forsaken and alone?

One: We search for God before and behind us, but God is not there.

All: We search for God above and beneath us, but come away empty.

One: Yet even now, we commit ourselves to God.

All: Even now, we will put our trust in the Lord.

One Come! Let us worship.

*Hymn #338 vs. 1,2,3 *I Know Not Why*

Children’s Story Pastor Dave
(Children ages Pre-K through 5th Grade are invited to attend Children’s Church)

Chancel Choir Anthem *Total Praise* Raney

Deacon Message Mitch Frederick

Sharing of Joys & Concerns
 Congregational Prayer

*Hymn # 357 *O Master Let Me Walk With Thee*

Scripture Psalm 22:1-15

Sermon Rev. Dr. David A. Crumrine

Finding God

Offertory Thought

Offertory

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

Praise Through Video *Don’t Stop Praying*

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

Bold print indicates congregational response.

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

The bulletins are in honor of Pastor Dave, Pastor Dan Hammel, Pastor Marlys Hershberger and Pastor Stephen Hershberger.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please include in your prayers: Gary & Connie Fluke, Gracelyn Carrier, Bill & Carolyn Grubb, Ramon Burket, Dan & Carol Emerick, Joan Johnson, Fred Beers, Barbara Roush, Tom & Janis Thompson, Tommy Smith, Jim Hoover, Brenda Fluke-Garber, Barry Griffith, Eric Thompson, Dorothy Holsinger, Joyce Mock, Audrey Smith, Sharlene Wood, Tana Byler, Kenny Day, John Coates, first responders, Camp Blue Diamond, those affected by natural disasters, our church family.

Please sign the Friendship Attendance Register located on each pew, including any **changes** of information.

Serving Today	Serving Next Sunday	
Candlelighter		
Organist		Terry Hershberger
Pianist	Brenda Fluke-Garber	Marcia Fleck
Worship Leader	Pattie Conlon	Children
Storyteller	Pastor Dave	Bethann Frederick
Children's Church	Tammy Carter	Nott held
Welcome Center	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland
Nursery		
Parking Lot	Don Myers	
Greeters	Cathie Pollard Michael Pollard	Cathie Pollard Michael Pollard
Deacon Greeters	Kaye Russell	Kaye Russell
Head Ushers: Dave Brumbaugh, J D Barry, Pat Frazier, Bill Evans Worship Coordinator & Choir Director: Terry Hershberger Chancel Choir Accompanist: Cathy Petre		
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Sunday School Classes

Class	Rm	Class	Rm
Nursery – Pre K	202	Young Adults	Stage
K – 2 nd Grade	201	Generation Hope	504
3 – 5 Grade	405	Genesis	406
Jr High Youth	506	Alpha	402
Sr High Youth	503	Living Faith	301

Stewardship Report for October 6, 2024

Worship attendance	122
Sunday School	77
Actual Income	\$ 229,661.04
Budget Income	\$ 220,384.62
Actual Expense	\$ 225,788.35

New attenders are encouraged to share their information on the Friendship Attendance Register. If you wish to receive the weekly updates or the monthly newsletter in your email, please share that information. If children are attending Sunday School, please include their grade and birthday.

October 13 - 20, 2024

Today		Food Bank Collection
		Pastor Appreciation Sunday
	9:25 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Fellowship Time
	11 am	Sunday School
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bible Study
	1 pm	Newsletter submission deadline
	6 pm	Sisters of Faith Dinner
Wednesday	9 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
	1 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
	5:45 pm	ReCharge
	6:15 pm	Online Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Practice
Thursday	9:00 am	Bulletin Announcement Deadline
		Breakfast Fellowship @Traditions
		10/27 Bulletin Deadline
	6:30 pm	Knitting Group in Parlor
Saturday	8 am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
		Fellowship Hall Reserved
Sunday	8:30 am	Pancakes with Pastor
	9:25 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Sunday School
	11:45 am	Deacon Prayer Gathering



November 3, 2024, is Youth Sunday. Practice is November 2 from 9-11:30 am. See Doug & Brenda Garber for more information.



Brethren Disaster Ministries is having a fundraiser dinner on November 2nd from 4 – 7 pm. Take out or eat downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets are available from Terry Hershberger, Janet Imes, Don Bookhammer, Rick Carrier or the Welcome Center for a \$13 donation.



October 31st, 6 – 8 pm in our parking lot. Trunks needed. Donations may be placed on the round table in the Overflow Room.

Anyone wishing to “open their trunk” and participate is asked to notify Beth Burns, Michael Pollard or Cathy Pollard.

Sisters of Faith invite all women to join them for a meal and fellowship on the third Tuesday of each month at 6 pm. Watch bulletins and newsletter for the location.

Pancakes with the Pastor, October 20th 8:30am in the fellowship hall. All children 5th grade and under are welcome. Children will also be participating in worship service that morning.

Men’s Fellowship Breakfast is held monthly on the 3rd Saturday at 8 am at The Dream in Hollidaysburg. All men are invited.

The Book Group meets on the 3rd Monday of the month. Be sure to check out the newsletter to see the book of the month. All are invited to read the book and join them in a discussion in the Parlor at 10 am that Monday morning.



Those 55 and older are invited to a meal at noon, November 3rd in our Fellowship Hall so we can honor you. Please sign up at the Welcome Center this month so we know how many to prepare for.

SECOND SUNDAY SCHEDULE

All classes, including all children, are invited to the Fellowship Hall after church to have a snack with their family. Sunday School teachers for **Nursery – 5th Grade** will take their students to class at 11:00. **Jr. & Sr. High Youth** may stay in the Fellowship Hall for the sermon discussion or proceed to their classroom at 11:00. **Adults** remain in the Fellowship Hall for the sermon discussion. There is no separate Sunday School for Adults on 2nd Sunday.

Sunday School Updates for the Children

Sunday School Offering Children and Youth attending Sunday school are encouraged to bring offering to their SS class. It is a way to teach them how to give back to God and to His church where activities to grow closer with Jesus can be offered thanks to those who are able to provide financial support, no matter how small.

Brethren Bucks. Children can earn “Brethren Bucks” during Sunday School for things such as: bringing their Bible to church, bringing a friend to church, attendance, learning a memory verse, etc. They will get to ‘spend their bucks’ on Second Sundays after their Fellowship time.

Prayer Tree. Children staying for Sunday School following 2nd Sunday Fellowship will have an opportunity to write down things they are grateful for or things they want to pray to Jesus about. These will then be placed on the “wall Prayer Tree” located on the Nursery level. Please talk to your child(ren) about what they may want to pray for and be sure to check out the Tree with your child(ren) from time to time!



We will be requesting names of those you would like to see called as Deacons on October 27th, so we ask that you prayerfully consider those in our midst who you feel are called to serve First Church and its ministries. Please read what the Constitution states about Deacons as you make your decisions. Then on November 17th we will be voting on names submitted.

From our Constitution

SECTION 10 - Deacons

1. The Deacon Body shall consist of all duly called and installed Deacons of the church as defined by Annual Conference and the Middle District of Pennsylvania. The duties of this body shall be to assist the Pastor(s) in counseling and ministering to the sick, the unfortunate, and the needy; to assume general oversight of the physical arrangements for observing the ordinances of Baptism and Love Feast; to cooperate with the Pastor(s) in the visitation of members to maintain the standards for credentials of membership; and to counsel and approve all candidates for the ministry.
2. Any member of the congregation in good standing is eligible to be called to the Deacon Ministry. (A member in good standing shall be defined as one who is faithfully fulfilling his/her baptismal vows. These vows are confessions of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and worshipping, serving, and sharing in the programs of the congregation by prayer, regular attendance, loyal service, outreach, and faithful stewardship).
3. Deacons shall be called to a term of 5 years of office, with no limit to the number of terms to which they may be called. Any Deacon serving 20 or more years may elect to become Deacon Emeritus. The process of calling Deacons shall be detailed in the Deacon minutes. Changes to the process must be approved by the congregation at a Congregational Forum.
4. The Deacons shall elect their own chairperson/officers. The Senior Pastor (and Associate Pastor) shall serve as ex-officio members of the Deacon Body.

Deacons

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

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

Betsy Garach (2028)
Krista Snyder (2028)
Linda Steele (2028)
Doug & Brenda Garber (2028)
Dan & Sharon Hammel (2028)