

Mill Creek Church of the Brethren

January 26, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Music as We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *"To God All Praise and Glory"* Roger C. Wilson

Bringing in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship

One: Come before God with praise and thanksgiving.

All: The joy of the Lord is our strength!

One: Join in the song of all creation.

All: The joy of the Lord is our strength!

One: Wait expectantly for the blessings of Christ.

All: The Joy of the Lord is our strength!

***Hymn** *"To God be the Glory* Blue 102
(Children may leave for Children's Church)

*Invocation

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

Hymn *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"* Blue 356

Blessing of Offering

*Doxology (Blue 119A)

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Anthem *"Blest are They"* Chancel Choir

Message *"Under Construction"*

"Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God" Blue 324

***Hymn** *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"* Blue 71

*Benediction

***Postlude** *"Psalm XIX"* Benedetto Marcello

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH – AGES 3 THRU KINDERGARTEN (Sanctuary Basement)

TEACHER: Blair Hoffman **HELPER:** Bonnie Hutchison

CHILDREN'S CHURCH – 1ST- 5TH GRADES (Sanctuary Basement)

TEACHER: Cindy Morgan **HELPER:** Debby Rimel

Assisting in Worship

MORNING MESSAGE: *Pastor Ryan McAllister*

WORSHIP LEADER: Andy Myers **CHORISTER:** Carlyle Cline

PIANIST: Bethany Prevatt **ACOLYTE:** Abby Myers

CHOIR: Chancel Choir - Director: Jean Andrews

NURSERY: Katie & Ella Engel, Brooke Erbaugh

AUDIO/VISUAL: Jon Wenger

USHERS: Liam Ettinger, Andy Myers **HEAD USHER:** Gary Cline

LIVESTREAM: Jamin Engel, Dick Halterman, Ben Martin, Brant Somma

Today – January 26, 2025

8:30 a.m. Handbells
10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Children's Church,
Livestream worship (9:50 prelude)
11:00 a.m. Sunday School
12 noon Bible Day Camp meeting in Social Hall

Children, ages 2-4 & grades K-5 attending Sunday School, may be picked up in the Sanctuary at noon, after Sunday School is over.

This Week

January 27, 7 p.m. Nurture Commission in Chapel
January 27, 7 p.m. Personnel & Nominating Commission in Library
January 29, 10 a.m. Bible Study in Choir Rm./Bethany Classroom
January 29 – Wednesday Evening Activities
5:30-6:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal in Social Hall
*Menu served by Jill Bowman, Kathy Miller & Emma Bailey
(Friends and neighbors welcome to attend)
Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, & dessert*
6:30-7:00 p.m. Mill Creek Kids in the Chapel
7:00-7:30 p.m. Little Angels, Kingdom Kidz Club
6:30-7:30 p.m. Youth Hang Time – Sr. Highs, Sr. High Room;
Jr. Highs, Jr. High Room
6:30-7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir
6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study in New Covenant Classroom
7:45-8:45 p.m. Praise Team

Scripture Readings – Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6,
I Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 4:21-30

Next Sunday – February 2, 2025

9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour, hosted by Pathfinders-Calvary
10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Livestream worship (9:50 prelude)
11:00 a.m. Sunday School

Last Sunday – January 19, 2025

Worship: Online

Mark Your Calendar

February 17, 7:00 p.m. Worship & Music Commission in Library
February 24, 7:00 p.m. Missions & Service Commission in Board Room
February 24, 7:00 p.m. Nurture Commission in Chapel in Chapel
February 24, 7:00 p.m. Personnel & Nomination Commission in Library

Worship Schedule

1st Sunday – Coffee Hour, Children’s Choir, Handbells
2nd Sunday – Chancel Choir, Youth Worship, Children’s Church
3rd Sunday – Praise Team
4th Sunday – Chancel Choir, Children’s Church
5th Sunday – Praise Team, Puppets

Announcements

We wish to thank our church family for the kind expressions of sympathy shown to us at the passing of our dear sister, Charlene Sacra Michael. All were much appreciated.

Jean Burkholder, Nancy Smith, and Homer Sacra Jr.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, THE YOUTH WILL BE SPONSORING A “SOUPERBOWL OF CARING!” We invite the congregation to bring either Easy Mac Bowls or a donation toward the backpack ministry fund. These contributions all go to the Peak View Elementary School backpack ministry. Thank you for your generosity!

WEDNESDAY EVENING MEAL HELP REQUEST FOR 2025! We are looking for any individuals or groups that might be interested in helping to prepare a meal. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the church office.



Coffee Hour Schedule (October through April)

First Sunday of Each Month – 9 a.m.

February – Pathfinders-Calvary; March – New Covenant;

April – Gethsemane

If the month does not suit as shown, please contact another class to switch.

District Youth Retreat, Feb. Birthdays & Anniversaries, & More Announcements →

DISTRICT YOUTH RETREAT, FEB. 1, 10AM-3PM (for all youth, grades 6-12) at Pleasant Valley COB, 91 Valley Church Rd., Weyers Cave, VA. The Interdistrict Youth Cabinet (those who plan the regional youth Conference, Roundtable) will be leading us in a day of fun and reflection. IYC has been working hard to create games, workshops, and activities centered around bringing youth together in faith, fun, and fellowship. This is a great way to meet other youth from the District before heading to National Jr. High Conference this summer, or National Youth Conference in 2026. Lunch is provided.

NEEDED FOR NURSERY - Molly Harper is looking for a person to fill a block of spots in the nursery for 2025. If you can help us, please reach out to Molly at hokiemolly@yahoo.com or (540) 290-8951. These are the actual dates below for the block we need filled: Jan 12, Mar 9, May 11, Jul 13, Sept 14, Nov 9



NEEDED: QUILTERS – Please join us for quilting Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. until, starting January 7. Bring a bagged lunch. No school, no quilting.

A DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY IS BEING HELD ON WEDNESDAYS through April 16, 10-11 a.m.--“Jesus, Disciples, & Apostles”. Meet in the Choir Room/Bethany Classroom. If questions, contact Carlyle Cline or Leona Raines Wyrick. All are welcome! Info sheets are on the Hospitality Desk and the table outside the church office.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY - Do you have a desire to find intimacy with God in the busyness of life? Join the 10-week women's Wednesday night Bible study "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World," led by Mary Landes and using DVD lessons by Joanna Weaver. We'll meet in the New Covenant classroom through March 12 from 6:30-7:30 PM. Please plan to join us!

TO HELP BRETHREN DISASTER MINISTRIES FINANCIALLY, donations can be made by using this QR-code to navigate through our secure online giving site or by making a donation to the church (mark your check memo line "Brethren Disaster Ministries" and if using an envelope, please also mark the envelope). Donations may be placed in an offering box, dropped by the office, or mailed to the church.



IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, check WHSV-TV 3 for announcements of church-related delays, postponements, or cancellations. Cancellations will also be announced through the Mill Creek Connections email list.



ONLINE GIVING

February Birthdays (65 & up)

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| 2 Don Myers | 14 Mary Ann Secrist |
| 10 Greg Geisert | 15 Dick Myers |
| 11 Jim Miller | 18 Peggy Coffey |
| 12 Dolores Hottinger | 21 Mary Jane Cox |
| | 24 Gloria Garrison |

February Anniversaries

- 2 Chris & Julie Morris