

# Mill Creek Church of the Brethren

## Pastor Appreciation Sunday

October 22, 2023

10:00 a.m.

### Music as We Gather

### Welcome and Announcements

Prelude                                    *"Adoration"*                                    Carl Simone

### Bringing in the Light of Christ

#### \*Call to Worship

One: Brothers and sisters, we are loved by God

**All: We are chosen by the Lord Jesus**

One: Help us turn from idols

**All: To serve the living and true God**

One: Through Christ, God calls us His own

**All: And He entrusts us with the Gospel**

One: Wait expectantly for Jesus' return

**All: Come, Lord Jesus, Come!**

\*Hymn                                    *"O Worship the King"*                                    Blue 66  
*(Children may leave for Children's Church)*

#### \*Invocation

### Pastor Appreciation

### Sharing of Joys and Concerns

### Morning Prayer

Hymn                                    *"Fairest Lord Jesus"*                                    Blue 117

### Blessing of Offering

\*Doxology (Blue 119A)

\*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture                                    1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Anthem                                    *"Down by the Riverside"*                                    Chancel Choir

Sermon                                    *"The Best Charlie"*

\*Hymn                                    *"Lift High the Cross"*                                    Blue 321

#### \*Benediction

\*Postlude                                    *"Choral Song"*                                    Samuel S. Wesley

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\*Those who are able are invited to stand.





## Today is Food Pantry Sunday – The item for October is Cake Mix & Frosting

**OUR CHURCH IS DOING A NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY!** We want *everyone* to get a new picture made so that our new directory will be complete. IT WON'T BE COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU! **Use the link below and make your appointment online (for Nov. 8-11).**

<https://instant-scheduling.com/sch.php?page=&lang=en&year=2023&month=11&day=01&subPage=newApp&aNum=3534502&step=2&sceld=&typld=65081&a=>

**TRUNK OR TREAT!** Church Members, Mill Creek Church of the Brethren Trunk or Treat will be Sun., Oct. 29, 3:30-5 p.m. in the church side parking lot. Please be set up and ready by 3 p.m. Event will be rain or shine. Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080949A8AF2DA46-mill#/>



Do you want to prepare your heart to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas this year and rekindle your connection to the Christ of Christmas? **Max Lucado's 4-week Bible Study, "Because of Bethlehem: Love is Born, Hope is Here"**, will be offered following the Wednesday night meals in November. This DVD small group study will meet in the New Covenant classroom from 6:30-7:45 PM and be led by Mary Landes. *Please let Mary know if you'd like to participate so study guides can be ordered.* Join us as we step away from the distractions of the secular holiday and receive what Jesus has already done as we celebrate Christmas.



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**--It's that time again when we start filling boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Boxes are available in the gathering area and are due at the church **no later than November 19**. Remember to use the adhesive labels to indicate the age group and whether the box is for a boy or girl. A \$10 donation is requested to help cover the cost of shipping. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Andrews.



**THE PROPERTIES COMMISSION** of Mill Creek Church is constantly monitoring the needs and usage of our congregation's building and grounds. In response to numerous requests to upgrade our kitchen facilities, the Properties Commission would like to establish an **Exploratory Kitchen Committee** to assess our current kitchen. The committee will be asked to look at the space, appliances, and usage and, if necessary, offer suggestions on expansion or reconfiguration of the kitchen. Anyone who is interested in serving on this committee should be in contact with either Gerry Beam or Jason Landes.

### November Birthdays (65 & up)

4 Jim Weaver	22 Lou Dellinger
10 Bill Hartman	27 Jean Burkholder
Linda Failes	28 Gerry Beam
21 Lynn Hill	30 Milton Jarrels
Judi Hutton	

### November Anniversaries

1 Eric & Ashley Myers	20 Bob & Bethany Prevatt
4 Steve & Beth Gillette	25 Allen & Mary Gillette
19 Lynn & Donna Hill	Bob & Dorothy Wright
	26 Joel & Danielle Geisert