Mill Creek Church of the Brethren

April 14, 2024 10:00 a.m.

Music as We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing" Arr. Steven Scott Bringing in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship

One: Come with your doubts and fears.

All: This is scary.

One: Call on God, who will answer you.

All: God is hard to hear these days.

One: Come to the One who will give

your souls peace.

All: It is so hard to believe.

One: Come, claim your identity as beloved

children of God.

All: We come, uncertain, but longing to hear God speak to us this morning.

*Hymn "Breathe Upon Us, Holy Spirit" Blue 28

(Children may leave for Children's Church)

*Invocation

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Morning Prayer

Hymn "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" Blue 348

Blessing of Offering

*Doxology (Blue 119A)

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Luke 24:36b-48; 1 John 3:1-7

Anthem "I Am Bound for the Promised Land" Chancel Choir

Sermon "Who Will Be a Witness"

*Hymn "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Blue 340

*Benediction

*Postlude "Triumphal Chorus" Alexander Guilmant

^{*}Those who are able are invited to stand.

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

TEACHER: Beth Gillette Helper: Emma Berkey
CHILDREN'S CHURCH – 1ST- 5TH GRADES (Sanctuary Basement)
TEACHER: Cindy Morgan Helper: Debby Rimel

Assisting in Worship

PREACHER: Pastor Glenn Bollinger

WORSHIP LEADER: Dick Myers CHORISTER: Sally Halterman
ORGANIST: Kaye Cline PIANIST: Adrienne Whiteside
CHOIR: Chancel Choir - Director: Jean Andrews

ACOLYTE: Chandler Nicholson AUDIO/VISUAL: Jon Wenger

Nursery: Blair Hoffman, Tara Nicholson

LIVESTREAM: Jamin Engel, Dick Halterman, Brant Somma **USHERS:** Andy Brunk, Larry Wheeler **HEAD USHER:** Gary Cline

Mill Creek Church services are Live Streamed. If you have concerns about being on camera, ask an usher about our "video-free" zones.

Today - April 14, 2024

10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Children's Church, Livestream worship (9:50 prelude)

10 a.m.-12 noon Youth Worship in Chapel & Social Hall

(Jr. & Sr. Highs)

11:00 a.m. Sunday School

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

April 15, 7:00 p.m. Worship & Music Commission in Library April 16, 6:00 p.m. Bible Day Camp Meeting in Library

April 16, 7:30 p.m. Evangelism Comm. in Friends & Followers Classrm.

April 17 -- Wednesday Evening Activities

5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal in Social Hall

Menu served by New Covenant Class (Friends and neighbors welcome)

Baked Potato Bar with toppings, 7-layer salad, applesauce, and dessert

6:30-7:45 p.m. Little Angels Choir, Kingdom Kidz Club 7:15-7:45 p.m. Mill Creek Kids in the Chapel

6:30-8:00 p.m. Youth Hang Time – Sr. Highs, Sr. High Room;

Jr. Highs, Jr. High Room

6:45-7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir

8:00-9:00 p.m. Praise Team

Scripture Readings – Acts 4:5-12; Psalm 23;

I John 3:16-24: John 10:11-18

Next Sunday - April 21, 2024

10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Livestream worship (9:50 prelude) 11:00 a.m. Sunday School

Last Sunday - April 7, 2024

Worship: 200 Sunday School: 116 General Offering: \$9,565.00 Heifer International: \$50.00 Peak View Backpacks: \$2,000.00

Mark Your Calendar

April 22, 7:00 p.m. April 28, 12 noon May 12 May 19, 12:00 p.m. Missions & Service Commission in Board Room Bible Day Camp Kick-off in Social Hall Mother's Day & Baby/Child Dedication Mystery Friend Reveal in the Social Hall

Monthly 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

Dear Friends, Thank you for the many birthday cards I received remembering my 90th birthday on April 2. Many contained well wishes and words of wisdom. Martha Lou and I love our church family. -Nelson Sheets

THE ROSEBUD THIS MORNING is in honor of Grant Van Sheets, born April 8, weighing 7 lb. 6 oz. & 20 inches long. His parents are Joshua & Claudia, and big brother, Callan. Grandparents are Keith & Jennifer Sheets; greatgrandparents are John & Helen Jarrels and Nelson & Martha Sheets.

SIGN-UP IS REQUIRED FOR THE APR. 24 WEDNESDAY EVENING "ITALIAN TASTING MEAL" (last of the season). Deadline to sign up is Mon., Apr. 15. RSVP boxes and menu forms will be outside each door. Takeout orders are now available!! MUST BE MARKED CLEARLY ON THE FORM.



BABY/CHILD DEDICATION AND MOTHER'S DAY SERVICE ON MAY 12. If you have a little one you wish to have dedicated, please contact Pastor Glenn or the church office.

DURING APRIL, we will be receiving contributions for Heifer International. This is a project started by Dan West, a Church of the Brethren relief worker, that initially provided hungry children a cup of milk. He saw the need to provide a cow to sustain that milk supply on a daily basis. The project has broadened its scope to distribute chickens, goats, sheep, bees and more. You may support this project by writing a check to the church and with Heifer International in the memo line.

ATTENTION! MILL CREEK DAY CAMP REGISTRATION is now open! Day Camp this year is June 18-21, 9 a.m.-12 noon. This year's theme, "100% Chance of Rain", is based on the Old Testament story of Noah's Ark in Genesis. There will be limited spaces in Day Camp classes this year, so *PLEASE REGISTER EARLY*! If you register by May 17 at midnight your child will be <u>guaranteed</u> a **FREE Day Camp T-shirt!** Use these QR codes below to register.



MINI CAMP

DAY CAMP



MYSTERY FRIEND REVEAL, May 19, 12:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. A light meal will be served. Please RSVP to Lucinda if you will be attending.

BRETHREN WOODS SPRING FESTIVAL will be Sat., April 27. It is a day filled with fun, fellowship, and lots of ways to support camp's ministry! Activities include: trout fishing contest, yard sale, pancake breakfast, hayrides, petting zoo, zip line rides, pedal boat rides, Dunk the Dunkard booth, activities for all ages (games, crafts, treats, mini golf, and more!), Kiss the Cow, auction, an inflatable bounce house, a climbing tower and (of course!) lots of food! Andrew and Rachel Bollinger will be participating in the Hike-a-Thon and welcome any sponsors from Mill Creek!

AUCTION TIME – MAY 17 & 18!! Books are available on the hospitality table and table outside the church office. On FRIDAY: *Golf Tournament* is at Heritage Oaks. If questions, call Richard & Judy Shirey. *Silent Auction*

starts at 1pm Fri. at Main Fairground Bldg. along with Bake Sale and Arts & Crafts. Tenderloin Supper will be served 4-6pm, Livestock Auction starts at 6:15pm, and Main Auction

at 6:30pm in the main building. On SATURDAY: *Breakfast* at 7am and *Main Auction* at 9am. Theme baskets, quilts, and a coin auction also happening. The Mill Creek quilt will be available to buy and anyone needing a quilt rack for any quilt you already own or when you purchase the Mill Creek quilt, Garnett has made a wall-mounted walnut rack made from a pattern from Olen Landes and Wallace Weaver. There will be something for everyone. To date our coin church has raised \$786.08. Checks, cash and coins are always appreciated. As always, thanks for your support! Hope to see everyone there!

PLANS ARE SET FOR THE BUS TRIP TO SIGHT AND SOUND September 26-27. We also plan to visit Longwood Gardens on our return. The deposit of \$100 per person (made out to Debbie Bollinger) will reserve your spot. Final payment is due August 11. Itineraries and prices can be found at the hospitality desk or across from the

office. To make your reservation or if you have any questions, please contact Debbie Bollinger.