

Mill Creek Church of the Brethren

February 5, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Music as We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *“Chimes on Sabbath”* Wolf

Bringing in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship

One: Come and see! God’s light is shining brightly.

All: God’s light shines in us.

One: When we honor God’s commandments,

All: God’s light shines in us.

One: When we feed the hungry and give to those in need,

All: God’s light shines in us.

One: When we show mercy and compassion,

All: God’s light shines in us.

One: We are the light of the world!

All: God’s light shines in us. Amen.

***Hymn** *“Oh, For a Thousand Tongues”* Blue 110

*Invocation

Special Music Little Angels/Kidz of the Neighborhood
“Joshua Fought the Battle of Jericho” “Be Strong”

Children’s Story Jeff Patterson

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

Hymn *“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”* Blue 369

Scripture Matthew 5:13-20

Blessing of Offering

*Doxology (Blue 119A)

*Prayer of Dedication

Sermon *“Out of the Darkness”*

***Hymn** *“Christian, Let Your Burning Light”* Blue 402

*Benediction

***Postlude** *“Postludium”* C. Nordman

*Those who are able are requested to stand.

Last Sunday – January 29, 2023

Worship: 211
General Offering: \$20,720.00

Sunday School: 157
Special Services: \$20.00

Mark Your Calendar

February 20, 7:00 p.m.
June 20-23

Worship & Music Commission in Chapel
Bible Day Camp

Announcements



FOR ALL PRAYER REQUESTS FROM FEBRUARY 10-26, please call Dolores Hottinger at 540-234-8618.

2023 SMALL YEARLY CHURCH DIRECTORIES ARE HERE! The Ministry Commission will distribute the directories at the Hospitality Desk before worship and after, **today and Feb. 12**. *During the week*, directories will also be available on the small table under the coat rack outside the church office. **Please check off your name on the checklist** located there. (If needed, you may pick up a directory for someone else and check off their name.) Please limit one per family. Contact the church office if any corrections are needed.

OPPORTUNITIES: THE CHURCH IS IN NEED OF LAY PERSONS to lead the Deacon body and the Worship and Music Commission. Members for Worship and Music Commission are also needed. If you feel the calling to serve in any of these areas, please contact Mary Ann Secrist, chairman of Personnel and Nominating Commission, or any commission member.



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

A DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY IS HELD ON WEDNESDAYS through April 5, 10-11 a.m. --“Jesus: Miracles & Parables”. Meet in the Choir Room/Bethany Classroom. If questions, contact Carlyle Cline or Leona Raines. All are welcome! Info sheets are on the Hospitality Desk and the table outside the church office.

AN 11-WEEK DAVID JEREMIAH BIBLE STUDY entitled "A Life Beyond Amazing" will be led by Mary Landes on Wednesday evenings in the **New Covenant** Sunday School classroom (note change of location) 6:30-7:40 p.m. Please contact Mary at 540-746-8926 or mblandes@verizon.net with questions or to sign up. Materials will be provided. Please join us as we study how we can imitate the character of Jesus by developing the fruit of the Spirit in our lives!

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST AT CROSS KEYS-MILL CREEK RURITAN HALL Saturday, Feb. 11, 7:30 until 10:30am. All proceeds will go to benefit WEEKDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION. PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT THEM.

BABYSITTER NEEDED: Brant & Angie Somma are looking for a babysitter for mid-February through May, 2-3 days/week for Lyla (2 yrs. old on March 1). Contact Angie for more details at 540-421-9847.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS →



BRETHREN WOODS CAMP – Are you ready for adventure? Don't miss out on the camp of your choice and early bird pricing! Go to <https://brethrenwoods.org/summercamp/> for more information and to sign up.

NOW TAKING REGISTRATIONS for a bus trip to **Sight & Sound** to see **Moses**



September 21-22. Deposits of \$100 per person are due at time of registration. Detailed itinerary and price information were attached to this past week's Mill Creek Connections email. Copies can also be picked up at the hospitality desk, on the small table across from the church office. Debbie Bollinger will also have copies.

IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, check WHSV-TV 3 for announcements of church-related delays, postponements, or cancellations. Church-wide emails will also be sent to those who receive Mill Creek Church Connections emails.



BRETHREN DISASTER MINISTRIES is moving to Dawson Springs, KY after Christmas. They completed 30 homes in the short time they were in Waverly, TN. Below are the 2023 dates for the Shenandoah District: April 16-22 / July 30-August 5 / October 22-28. Please contact Daniel Martin or Gail Bowman if interested in one or more of these trips.

MOVIE NIGHT!!! Mark your calendar for Saturday, February 25th! The Fellowship and Recreation Commission will be hosting the movie "*Lifemark*" in the Mill Creek Church sanctuary. Feel free to invite others to join us for this inspirational activity.

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The Mill Creek Sr. High Youth will be Tackling Hunger on February 12th!

In 1990, Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

“Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”

Since then, more than \$170 million has been generated for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that transforms the time around the Big Game into the nation's largest celebration of giving and caring for those in need.

Share in God's love for our neighbors in need and give generously on Souper Bowl Sunday. **All donations collected will go to Hope Distributed.**