

Mill Creek Church of the Brethren

November 12, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Music as We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"* Arr. Rick Parks

Bringing in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship¹

One: God is from everlasting to everlasting.

All: The Holy One inhabits all eternity and everything that is, or was, or ever will be.

One: God is the source, guide, and goal of our lives.

All: We acknowledge God as the center of our lives and of our world, not ourselves.

One: We come today to worship God.

All: We come with thanks and praise.

One: Let us humble ourselves before God's holy presence.

All: May God teach us the ways of life as we pray.

***Hymn** *"God of the Earth, the Sky, the Sea"* Blue 53
(Children may leave for Children's Church)

*Invocation

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

Hymn *"Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me"* Blue 507

Blessing of Offering

*Doxology (Blue 119A)

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Anthem *"God's Love is Good"* Chancel Choir

Sermon *"No Other Gods"*

***Hymn** *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"* Blue 327

*Benediction

***Postlude** *"Jubilation"* James Denton

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

¹The Abingdon Worship Annual 2023, Edited by Mary Scifres and B. J. Beu, page 214

Last Sunday – November 5, 2023

Worship: 217

General Offering: \$26,550.00

Compassion Fund: \$50.00

Sunday School: 168

Special Services: \$20.00

Mark Your Calendar

November 20, 7:00 p.m. Worship & Music Commission in Chapel
November 22 NO Wednesday Evening Activities (Thanksgiving)
November 23 & 24 Church Offices Closed for Thanksgiving
November 27, 7:00 p.m. Personnel & Nominating Commission in Library
December 21, 22 & 23, 7-9 p.m. Live Nativity

Monthly Worship Schedule

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

Announcements

Thank you for all of the support, meals, cards, and prayers.

Melissa, Justin, Vivian, and Jackson Harpine

YEARLY CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE FORM: We ask that each family/person (active members and others who attend regularly) complete the form



located on the gathering area tables and drop it in the offering box or the church office mailbox **OR** print form attached to Mill Creek Connections and mail to the church office **by Dec. 17**. If info is the same, write name and "SAME". Please let us know if there are other family members who should no longer be included in our directory. If questions, contact Susanne Myers, Ministry Chair, or the church office. Thanks!



THE JUNIOR HIGHS WILL BE SELLING HONEY today, *before church and before Sunday School*, in the gathering area. All proceeds will go to support the Youth.

RETURN FILLED OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Boxes to the church by next Sun., Nov. 19. Preprinted boxes are available in the gathering area. Cost of shipping and handling has increased to \$10 per box. If questions, please contact Jean Andrews, 540-490-2407.



CHURCH OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN DECEMBER. Lucinda will be out following surgery from Dec. 6 to ?. Please contact Susanne Myers if you are willing to answer the office phone any day, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

Home Repair Project, Live Nativity, Compassion Fund, & More Announcements →

THERE IS A HABITAT FOR HUMANITY CRITICAL HOME REPAIR PROJECT on Sat., Nov. 18 on Fellowship Rd., north of Harrisonburg. Walk in shower and bathroom remodel for 2 handicapped women. Contact Craig Landes.



THE LIVE NATIVITY AT THE MICHAEL'S BARN will be held December 21, 22 & 23, 7-9 p.m. each night at 8218 Port Republic Rd., Port Republic. Sign-up sheets will be in the classrooms, Library and Lounge, or you may contact Mary Jane Michael at mjmichael119@gmail.com if you would like to be a part of it.

Did you know that Mill Creek Church of the Brethren has a **Compassion Fund**? The Compassion Fund is for use by/for any church member who may be facing an unexpected monetary crisis in their personal life. It is managed by the pastors, Board Chair and Missions & Service Commission. Requests are kept confidential. Any wishing to make donations to the Compassion Fund can do so by designating "Compassion Fund" on the Special Services line on your offering envelope or memo line of your check. Donations may be designated unspecified for future needs or can be directed to specific needs to be passed on anonymously.



BRETHREN WOODS NEWS: Renewing Our Faith Outdoor Dinner - December 1.

Our Vision
Mill Creek Church of the Brethren
an alive, vibrant, growing church
inspired by the Holy Spirit,
to serve, invite and love others
in Jesus' name