

MIDDLEBURY CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN "PROMISE"

We promise to walk in the way of Jesus' love by: Looking for the God seed in all people while practicing healthy processes of inclusiveness, showing grace and honesty.

- Building-up community by showing Hospitality, Equality and speaking truth in love.
- Willing to be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit with our heart, mind, soul, and strength as we grow spiritually and are transformed in God's love, grace and peace.
- Study, Practice, and Commitment to Forbearance* as we search for common ground.
- Joyously Celebrating Life.

*Forbearance:

Forbearance is a Biblical concept.

The Greek words in the New Testament translated as carry meanings of patience self-control, restraint, mercy, long-suffering and the refusal to threaten (EPH. 4:2; COL 3:13, EPH 6:9, 11COR 12:6)

Forbearance does not jeopardize or denigrate individual conviction, but it does place boundaries on the quality and character of individual responses.

Forbearance does not require one to accept what another believes, but it does require one listen and try to understand what another believes without demeaning, personal attacks, or acting to disenfranchise the other person.

GROUP GATHERINGS after Fellowship

Children under 9 yrs meet in classrooms west of kitchen / Beth Muhlneckel & Britta Copeland

Children 10 yrs and older meet in Room 207 / Mark & Catherine Roebuck

Adult Group Gathering

Applying Scripture to Life.....Library classroom with Dana Snider
Wired Word & Sermon discussions.....Room #105 with Don Anderson

Beth Snider, Beth Sholly

Contemplative & Silent Meditation-Rear of Sanctuary.....Self directed

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Middlebury Church of the Brethren is a welcoming and inclusive congregation offering Christ's hospitality to the world.

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Worship – 9:00 a.m. Sunday School – 10:45 a.m.

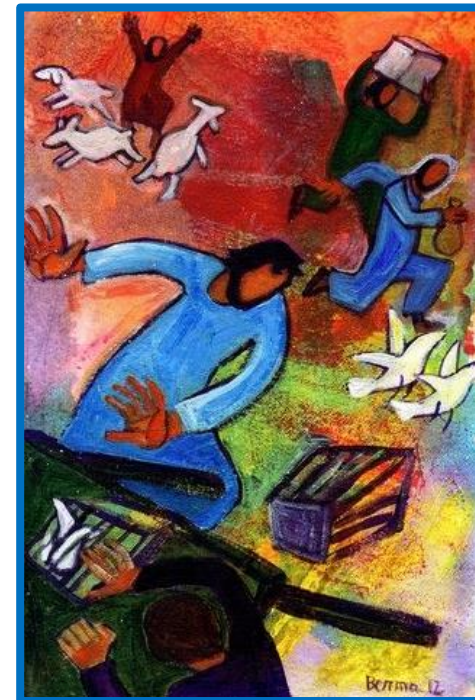


We have a Children's Play area set up in the sanctuary for parents with young children. We understand and accept that it isn't easy for young children to sit still throughout the service. The play area is along the back wall to your left as you enter the sanctuary. We ask that the parents sit close to the play area since this isn't supervised by anyone. God Bless the Children.

Middlebury Church of the Brethren



MARCH 4, 2018



PONY TAIL RAGE

March 4, 2018
Third Sunday of Lent
Theme: Turning anger into love

Welcome and announcements Catherine Roebuck

Opening Prayer: Catherine Roebuck

Prelude Sherry Bickel

*Praise Team: *Room at the Table* Insert/screen

Candle Extinguishing Litany:
 Reader #1 – Catherine Roebuck
 Reader #2 – Mark Roebuck

ALL: Creator God, remind us again of our responsibility to care for one another, and to watch out for each other. As we journey towards the cross this Lenten season, help us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

*Hymn *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* #76

Silent Reflection: Have you ever been so angry that you wanted to turn over tables? What did you do with that anger?

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Prayer: Worship Leader
God of extravagant love, fill our spirits with your love and place upon our hearts your call to serve all in the name of Christ. We ask that you dedicate our gifts and our lives to faithful service and ministry. Amen.

Hymn *Lord, I want to be a Christian* #444

Scripture: John 2:13-22 NT pg 93

Message PONY TAIL RAGE Pastor Janet Shaver

*Praise Team *God of the Bible* Insert/Screen

*Blessing for the Road

*Postlude

*Congregation stands in body or spirit

Please leave your offerings in the back of the sanctuary.

New or Visiting.....WELCOME....Please fill out Guest cards located in the PEWS and place in the offering plate when finished.

March 4, 2018 Activities / Announcements

10:00 am – Worship – Pastor Janet Shaver
Worship Leader – Catherine Roebuck
10:45 am - Fellowship time: (coffee and refreshments)
11:00 am – Sunday school Classes –
Classes are listed on back of bulletin
2-4 pm – Pentecostal Church rents sanctuary

Today – 3rd Sunday of Lent

Tuesday 6:30pm – Exec Meets



“Take a Break Thursday” free community meal at 5:30 pm.

Please come and enjoy the meal & fellowship. This is a partnership with Faith Mission of Elkhart

Thursday 6:45 pm – Book study “Called to Community”



SATURDAY WHEN YOU GO TO BED REMEMBER TO TURN YOUR CLOCK AHEAD ONE HOUR!!!!!!



ALERT! The Elkhart County Sheriff’s Dept has received reports of **thefts from vehicles while owners attended Sunday morning church services. These were all rurally located churches.**

You are encouraged to lock your vehicle and take any valuables with you while you are inside the church.



FOOD PANTRY Donations are always needed, especially hygiene products and household cleaning products. PLEASE PLACE THE ITEMS IN THE PLASTIC BIN AT THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY.

You are always welcome to donate cash. If you choose to donate cash, please mark it on the offering envelope so we know it is for the Food Pantry.
Thank you for your continuing generosity!

ARE YOU A QUILTER? Our congregation is invited to create a quilt block for the 2018 Conference quilts. More information is posted on the bulletin board. Please do not remove the posting – we can provide a copy for you if you’re interested. See Dalis

March 11, 2018 Next Week Activities/ Announcements

10:00 am – Worship – Pastor Janet Shaver
Worship Leader – Catherine Roebuck
10:45 am - Fellowship time: (coffee and refreshments)
11:00 am - Sunday school Classes –
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SUNDAY, MARCH 11TH – CHURCH STARTS AT 10:00 AM

REMEMBER: 9:30 a.m on March 11th –breakfast cafe of fruit, muffins, oatmeal, egg casserole and coffee or tea.

2-4 pm – Pentecostal Church rents sanctuary

Tuesday 7pm – Board Rm rented

SUNDAY, 3/18 – INTER-GENERATIONAL INTERACTIVE ARTS DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL

Check your Journey for March Madness schedule!



EASTER LILIES & TULIPS



_____ Tulip _____ Lily

In Honor/Memory of _____

Your name _____

ORDER DEADLINE: MARCH 11TH

Your name _____