



# Middlebury Church of the Brethren

June 10, 2018

## 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

Wired Word & Sermon discussions.....Room #105 with Don Anderson  
Beth Snider, Beth Sholly

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



## MIDDLEBURY CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

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

Pastoral Minister – Janet Shaver; cell 574-214-6741  
e-mail: [middleburypastor@yahoo.com](mailto:middleburypastor@yahoo.com)  
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.

# DO YOU REALLY KNOW JESUS?

**June 10, 2018**  
**Theme: God does crazy things**

Welcome and announcements Julie Bontrager

Opening Prayer Julie Bontrager

Prelude Sherry Bickel

\*Praise Team *We Believe* (Newsboys) Insert/screen

\*Call to Worship: Worship Leader

We look to the rulers of this earth for leadership, wisdom, and strength. We look to these bodies of ours for stability and fulfillment. We look to families and friends for love, compassion, and hope. When rulers betray, when bodies fail, and when families disappoint, Christ will welcome us home. Come, my sisters and brothers, we are all God's family now.

\*Hymn *Great is The Lord* #87

*You are invited to leave your offering on the table as you leave the worship space.*

Offering Prayer

In gratitude for the work of Jesus Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit, we gladly offer ourselves and our gifts to you, O God. We pray that you will transform these gifts into signs of welcome for all who are touched by their use. And, transform us into people who bless others throughout each day. Amen.

Hymn: Lord, Listen to your Children #353

Scripture Mark 3:20-35 NT pg 37

**Message: Do You Really Know Jesus? Pastor Janet Shaver**

\*Hymn *You are Salt for the Earth, O People* #226

\*Blessing for the Road – Worship Leader  
Sisters and brothers of Christ, go into all the world!  
Go forth with forgiveness and grace.  
Go forth with compassion and love.  
We go as Christ's family  
for all the world to see.

\*Postlude

\*Congregation stands in body or spirit

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

## June 10, 2018 Activities / Announcements

**10:00 am** – Worship – Pastor Janet Shaver  
Worship Leader – Julie Bontrager  
**10:50 am** – Fellowship time  
**11:00 am** – Sunday school Classes –  
*Classes are listed on back of bulletin*  
2-4 pm – Pentecostal Church rents sanctuary  
  
Tuesday 7pm – Board Rm rented

## **Today is Birthday Sunday during Fellowship time!**



**“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.

**With health issues among us, vacations and travel, volunteers are badly needed to help with the Thursday meal. Please come at 4:30 if you can help with setup, serving and clean up.**



Monday and Tuesday weekly – Fellowship Hall is being rented 5 – 7:30 pm. Please check with the office as soon as possible if you need to reserve space for an event.



**. Got books?** Specifically, children’s books or books for young parents. Littles Lites is creating a “lending library.” Drop books off at the office.

## June 17, 2018 Next Week Activities/ Announcements

**10:00 am** – Worship – Pastor Janet Shaver  
Worship Leader – Julie Bontrager  
**10:50 am** – Fellowship time  
**11:00 am** - Sunday school Classes –  
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2-4 pm – Pentecostal Church rents sanctuary  
  
Tuesday 7pm – Board Rm rented



**June 24<sup>th</sup> – Annual Conference Briefing** in Fellowship hall during Sunday School. Packets will be provided

**Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am – Seasoned Senior** lunch and service project



**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!

**AT THIS TIME, DIAPERS AND WIPES ARE ESPECIALLY NEEDED!**

**OUR FOOD PANTRY DATES ARE 7/7, 7/14, 7/21 AND 7/28. SIGN UP SHEETS ARE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.**

**Items are needed for Snack Packs:**

Granola bars  
Mac’n’cheese bowls  
Apple sauce pouches  
Pudding  
Fruit snacks  
Candy