



Middlebury Church of the Brethren April 14, 2019

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

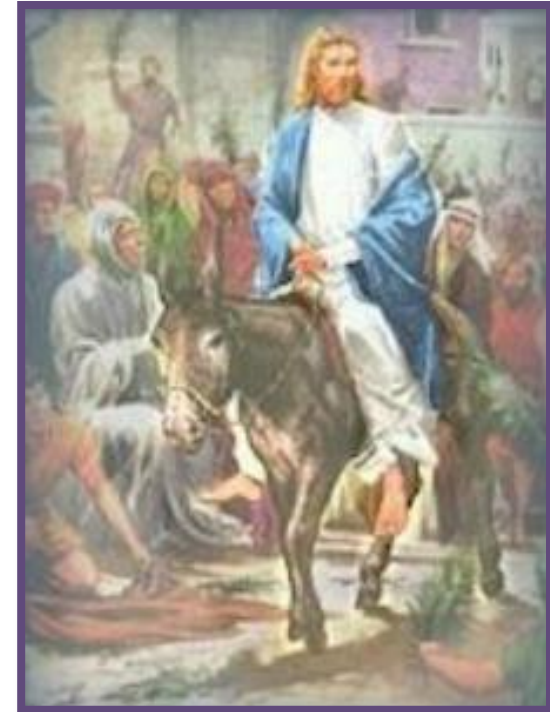
Children under 9 yrs meet in classrooms west of kitchen / Beth Muhlneckel & Britta Copeland

Children 10 yrs and older meet in Room 401 / 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

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Worship – 9:30 a.m. Sunday School – 10:20 a.m.

KING ON A DONKEY



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.

**April 14, 2019
PALM SUNDAY**

Welcome and Announcements Julie Bontrager

Opening Prayer Julie Bontrager

Prelude Lorie Copeland

*Praise Team *How Majestic is Your Name* #112

Candle Extinguishing Liturgy – WL and Jessica, Jacob & Kylie Cripe

Hymn *In The Bulb There is a Flower* #614

Congregational prayer response:

All: Gracious God, you breathe new life into our lives every moment of every day. In this Lenten season, help us to be attentive to your life-giving spirit in the ordinary activities of our lives. May we trust in your enduring and faithful presence as we seek to discern your guidance for us as people of faith. We give thanks for your love made known in the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. Amen

Bring your Symbols of New Life

Taize Meditation with Jill Weaver:
*Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.*

Heart of a Child storyteller – Renee Black

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

Offering Prayer – WL

God of grace, it is our delight and our devotion to give these gifts to you. All we are and all we have are yours alone. Accept this joyful offering as a token of our abiding love: use it to bring peace, justice and comfort to all the world. Amen.

Scripture Luke 19:28-40 NT pg#83

Message: **King on a Donkey**
Pastor Timothy Morpew

Commitment Philippians 2:5-11 Hymnal #855

*Hymn *Ride On, Ride On In Majesty* #239

*Blessings for the road – WL

My brothers and sisters,
as we enter into this holy week,
let us keep our eyes on Jesus.
He will show us where we need to go.

*Postlude

*Congregation stands in body or spirit

New or Visiting.....WELCOME.....Please fill our Guest cards located in the pews and place in the offering place when finished.

April 14, 2019 Activities/ Announcement

PALM SUNDAY

9:30 am – Worship – Pastor Timothy Morpew
Worship Leader – Julie Bontrager

10:20 am – Fellowship time – Birthday Sunday

10:45 am – Sunday school Classes –
Classes are listed on back of bulletin

2-4 pm – Pentecostal Church rents sanctuary
Tuesday 7pm – Board Rm rented

Thursday, April 18th 6:30pm - Holy Thursday Love Feast



Saturday, April 20th, 1-5pm Martha Huebert's family is having an open house in the fellowship hall to celebrate her birthday. Martha has extended an invitation to everyone to come celebrate with her.

FROM THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE – With our small congregation, every person absent on Sunday is greatly missed. If someone is missing we always know it and find that it would be wonderful to know if someone is simply traveling or will be away for any reason.

If you would like to let friends in our congregation know you are traveling or will be out of town, there is now a calendar for you to share that information at the back of the Fellowship Hall beside the door.

Please be assured that the calendar will be in the office during any event with outside people; ie: during the community meal.



NO COMMUNITY MEAL ON 4/18

“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.

April 21, 2019 Activities/ Announcements

EASTER SUNDAY

9:30 am – Worship – Pastor Timothy Morpew
Worship Leader – Catherine Roebuck

10:20 am – Fellowship time
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON EASTER SUNDAY

2-4 pm – Pentecostal Church rents sanctuary
Tuesday 7pm – Board Rm rented

Tuesday, April 23rd 6pm – Faith Mission outreach in Elkhart



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.

April 28th – Mark Riege will return as our speaker

Showalter Family Fund

If you want to contribute to this fund, please put your contribution in the offering plate marked "Showalter Family". **Any** gift is helpful. Thank you!

Pastor Janet is at home. Cards & visits go to
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Please call before stopping in