



# Middlebury Church of the Brethren May 26, 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 / Keri Anderson, Jill Weaver,  
Sharon Lemmon, Beth Muhnicketl

Children 10 yrs and older meet in Room 401 / Mark & Catherine Roebuck

### **Adult Group Gathering**

Book study.....Room #105 with Dana Snider

Contemplative & Silent Meditation-Right 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 – 9:30 a.m. Sunday School – 10:20 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.

# JESUS' MISSION... PERSONAL CONFESSIONS

**May 26, 2019**

Welcome and Announcements Beth Snider

Opening Prayer Beth Snider

Prelude Lorie Copeland

\*Praise music *10,000 Reasons* Insert/screen

\*Call to Worship – Responsive

Leader: God's glory is pouring forth from the heavens.

**People: Earth below receives the good news with great joy.**

Leader: The promise is sure and true, that Jesus has come to show us the best ways to serve God.

**People: By serving and caring for others, we truly serve God.**

Leader: Come, let us prepare ourselves for joyful service.

**All: Lord, make us ready for great service in your name. AMEN.**

\*Hymn *What is This Place* #1

Greet each other in Christ's love

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

Offering Prayer – WL

God, your heart is wide open to us. You have given to us freely and taught us to return to you a portion of what we have. Grant us glad and generous hearts, and help us be as open to you as you are to us. Help us use your gifts wisely and for the benefit of all your people. Amen.

Hymn *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service* #369

Scripture Luke 4:14-19 NT #61

Message: **Jesus' Mission.... Personal Confessions**  
Beverly Eikenberry, On Earth Peace

\*Hymn *Wonderful Grace of Jesus* #150

\*Benediction – WL

Brethren, you have been given new life in Christ and your life is changed. As you go from this place to the world beyond these doors, may the life you have been given empower you to give each person you meet the gifts of love and grace. Take a chance: You might change the world! Amen.

\*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.**

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## May 26, 2019 Activities/ Announcement

9:30 am – Worship – Beverly Eikenberry, OEP  
Worship Leader – Beth Snider  
10:20 am – Fellowship time  
10:45 am – Sunday school Class with Bev Eikenberry

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

## **Welcome: Bev Eikenberry, On Earth Peace**

**Sunday School today** is with Bev Eikenberry. Everyone is encouraged to attend and learn more about On Earth Peace.

Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm - Faith Mission outreach in Elkhart



“**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.**

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE WITNESS-TO-HOST-CITY GIFTS GO IN BOX AT BACK OF SANCTUARY. SEE LIST IN BULLETIN FOR NEEDED ITEMS.**



During this summer please know that your fresh flowers are a welcome addition to the foyer or sanctuary.

## June 2, 2019 Activities/ Announcements

9:30 am – Worship – Pastor Tim Morpew  
Worship Leader – Dalis Andrews  
10:20 am – Fellowship time  
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, June 6<sup>th</sup>** Pastor Janet goes to Indy to a specialist

**Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 pm** will be a memorial service here for Jerry Hydorn, followed by a meal. Donations may be made to: Betty Hydorn 69086 Sevison Rd., White Pigeon, MI 49099, or to Farmers State Bank in Shipshewana. Roger Copeland will be officiating with assistance from Tim Morpew

### **FROM THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

If you would like to let friends in our congregation know you are traveling or will be out of town, there is 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.***



**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.

**Pastor Janet** cards & visits go to  
304 Mack Dr.  
Nappanee, IN 46550

★ Please call before stopping in

### **Address change for Bill Hawkins:**

1801 Greencroft Blvd #321 Goshen, 46526