



Middlebury Church of the Brethren September 22, 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 Muhlnickel

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

Adult Group Gathering

Adult Group Discussion – Room 105

Contemplative & Silent Meditation-Right 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.

Pastoral Minister – Janet Shaver; cell 574-214-6741

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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.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE SUNDAY

September 22, 2019

Theme: Peace ☮

Welcome and Announcements

Roger Copeland

Offertory prayer – WL

Generous God, we offer our gifts and our lives; may the spirit in which they are given allow them to free rather than bind, to heal rather than wound, and to serve the reign of God of Life. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Roger Copeland

Prelude - *Please quiet your hearts & minds*

Sherry Bickel

Scripture lesson

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

NT #181

*Praise music

Peace Before Us

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Message

INTERNATIONAL PEACE SUNDAY

Pastor Janet Shaver

*A Commitment to a Way of Peace - Unison

O sovereign God, your way is the way of peace. Blessed is the one who walks in it, because on this path we find mercy, love, justice, humility, obedience and patience.

Outside at the Peace Pole

*Hymn

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Insert

Peace clothes the naked, feeds the hungry, gives a drink to those who are thirsty, takes care of the poor, reproves, threatens, comforts and admonishes. She is sober, honest, chaste and upright in all her ways. None takes offense at her and she leads to eternal life.

*Blessing for the road

May the peace of God that passes all that we can imagine keep your hearts and your thoughts in the knowledge of the love of God and of his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; and may the blessing of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit remain with you forever. Amen.

*Hymn

The Prayer for Peace

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Prayers of the People – Sharing Joys and Concerns

Please keep your joys or concerns to approx. 30 seconds

*Postlude

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

*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.

September 22, 2019 Activities/ Announcement

9:30 am – Worship – Pastor Janet Shaver
Worship Leader – Roger Copeland

10:20 am – Fellowship time

10:45 am – Sunday school Class

Classes are listed on back of bulletin

2-4 pm – Pentecostal Church rents sanctuary

Tuesday 7pm – Board Rm rented

Tuesday, 9/24, 6:30pm – Faith Mission Outreach in Elkhart

Ushers: Today: Tom & Matt
Sep 29: Beth M & JoAnn
Oct 6: William & Wayne

Tyler Roebucks new address:

Bethany Seminary
615 National Rd W
Richmond, IN 47374

REVIVE GIVE OR TAKE!!! Do you have fall decorations that you no longer want? What about jewelry or a tool that you don't need now? Please bring it in to share on the table – it's all about someone else's treasure.

September 29, 2019 Activities/ Announcements

9:30 am – Worship – Pastor Janet Shaver
Worship Leader – Roger Copeland

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



2¢ a Meal

Tuesday, October 8th – Women in Community



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH at 1:00 pm. Walk will begin at Krider Garden on the Pumpkin Vine Trail to US 20, then return to the Garden. Sign up to walk or sponsor a walker in the fellowship hall.
THIS IS THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CROP

FOOD PANTRY

Supplies are always needed; however, these items are always especially needed: cooking oil, feminine hygiene items, diapers, toothpaste and all personal hygiene items.

A NEW USHER CUPBOARD AND OFFERING TABLE ARE NEEDED AT THE ENTRY TO THE SANCTUARY. Do you have some skills you could share to help build a new one or maybe you attend yard and estate sales? Please see Dalis in the office!!