



Middlebury Church of the Brethren October 6, 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

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.



A LUNCHROOM TABLE



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.

October 6, 2019

Theme: Sharing grace with the world

Welcome and Announcements Dalis Andrews

Opening Prayer Dalis Andrews

Prelude - *Please quiet your hearts & minds* Sherry Bickel

*Praise music *Come To The Table* (Sidewalk Prophets) Insert/screen

Litany of Breads (Response *Come to the Table of Grace* insert)
Leader: These breads are symbols of the many different peoples within the family of God. *Come To The Table of Grace* vs 1

Leader: What do you bring to God's table?
All: We offer this Naan (proun *Non*) bread in honor of the men and women in Africa. May we remember our brothers and sisters in our Nigerian church, who work for reconciliation and church renewal.
Come To The Table of Grace vs 2

Leader: What do you bring to God's table?
All: We offer this Pita bread in honor of the people of the Middle East. May we remember the Syrians who live in constant fear and have nowhere to call home.
Come To The Table of Grace vs 3

Leader: What do you bring to God's table?
All: We offer this Banana bread in honor of the people of the Caribbean. May we remember the tragic devastation the hurricanes left behind.
Come To The Table of Grace vs 4

Leader: What do you bring to God's table?
All: We offer this Corn bread in honor of the Native People of North America. May we remember their love for creation and their reverence for life.
Come To The Table of Grace vs 1

Leader: What do you bring to God's table?
All: We offer this Honey Wheat bread in honor of our Middlebury Church. May we remember that Jesus has called us to work for peace and justice – caring for marginalized people all around us. May our eternal service help realize the kin-dom on earth today and in the future.

Prayer – WL: God of Grace, We bring bread made by many hands throughout the world. Bread from a world where there is injustice – a world where some have plenty and MOST go hungry. May we not be happy until all the hungry are fed – and the world is a place where peace and justice rise up like bread. Amen

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

Offertory prayer – WL
Gracious God, your blessings to us are free and abundant. It is with grateful hearts that we present our tithes and offerings, believing that you will multiply and use them in order that the kingdom of God on earth will bear much fruit. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Luke 22:14-23 NT #86

Message **A LUNCHROOM TABLE**
Pastor Janet Shaver

Holy Communion
Words of Institution
Blessing over the meal
The Bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ
Deacons will serve the plates of bread
The Cup which we bless is the communion of the love of Christ
Deacons will serve the cups of juice

Prayer of Thankfulness

*Hymn *Amazing Grace* vs 1 & 6 #143

*Benediction
The love and grace of the angels be to you,
The love and grace of the saints be to you,
The love and grace of heaven be to you,
To guard you and to cherish you.

*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.

October 6, 2019 Activities/ Announcement

World Communion Sunday

9:30 am – Worship – Pastor Janet Shaver
Worship Leader – Dalis Andrews

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

Ushers: Today: William & Wayne
Oct 13: Don M & Beth S
Oct 20: Ken & Dalis



TODAY 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 or sponsor a walker in the fellowship hall.

THIS IS THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CROP

Tuesday, October 8th – Women in Community at Bev Short's house. Please RSVP to be assured of enough materials for the craft.

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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 talk to Dalis in the office before making a purchase.

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 could be someone else's treasure!
NO CLOTHING PLEASE.