

## 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 4 and under

Children under 9 yrs

Children 10 yrs and

**TEMPORARILY  
CANCELED**

/ Keri Anderson,  
Sharon Lemmon  
Catherine Roebuck

### Adult Group Gathering

Adult Group Discussion – 11:00 a.m. following Worship on ZOOM + Board Room  
International Lesson

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.



# Middlebury Church of the Brethren August 9, 2020



## Riders On The Storm

**August 9, 2020**  
**Theme: The church in the storm**

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Response

*Calm Me, Lord*  
Sing the Story Hymnal

Screen

Minute for Missions

Britta Graber

Scripture

Matthew 14:22-33

NT #16

Opening prayer

Message

**Riders On The Storm**

Pastor Janet Shaver

Prelude *Baba Yetu* (by Christopher Tin) *Lord's Prayer* (Swahili)  
Alex Boye`, BYU Men's Chorus / Philharmonic

Hymn

*Bind Us Together*

YouTube

Opening song *Jesus, Be the Center* Screen  
Sing the Story Hymnal

Blessing for the Road

Let your lives witness to Christ's love.  
Let your words bring reconciliation.  
Let your thoughts be of peace.  
Let your touch bring healing.  
Let your actions count for justice.  
Be a sign of hope and a beacon of joy.  
Go and may God's blessing go with you.

*You are invited to send your offering in or drop it off at the church. Please call ahead to make sure someone is available to receive it.*

Offering prayer

Gracious God, your gifts to us are boundless: life and liberties, vibrant color and melodious sounds, forgiveness and your divine presence, intelligence and creativity, work and worship, love and compassion. There is no end to your goodness and generosity toward us, and we thank you. We offer these gifts in response to all you have shared with us, for we always and only give you what is already yours. Amen.

Postlude

Joys and Concerns

## August 9, 2020 Announcements

**TO ACCESS OUR LIVESTREAMED SERVICE** go to mcob.org, bottom left of page where you will click on YouTube. Toward the top, click on "Live." It doesn't go live until Mark activates it, so if it isn't there immediately, leave the page and try again.

**Julie Bontrager is teaching the international lesson each Sunday at 11:00 am.** As usual, you have been sent the Zoom invitation. Also as usual, you will **actually be seeing each other.**



**ANNOUNCEMENT:** You are invited to join the weekly **Tuesday Zoom discussion** from 10:30am – 11:30am. The host will pose a question and all can join in to discuss your answers. Next meeting is Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> and Don Anderson will be hosting. The topic: *What was your best job ever - and what was your worst job ever?*

**FOOD PANTRY** - Supplies are always being collected; however, these items are always especially needed: cooking oil, all personal hygiene items, and toothpaste. Also, you may donate money for milk vouchers. Bring your donations to the church.

We continue to receive **The Upper Room** devotionals and you are welcome to stop in the office during the week or on Sunday when the building is unlocked (if you don't have a key) and pick yours up. The other option now is to receive it online. Go to: <https://www.upperroom.org>, go to bottom section and find *The Upper Room* daily devotional.

**All women are invited** to coffee in the park on Thursday mornings at 9:30. Bring your own drink and chair and meet in front of the quilt garden at Krider Park. The setting is casual as will be the conversation.

**Camp Mack** updates about activities have been emailed to you whenever the office receives them.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

August 9, 2020

Please notify Dalis Andrews in the church office if you would like to add a prayer request, share a joy, or if something should be removed.

- **Kylee Cripe** who is recovering from a bicycle accident and a total of 27 stitches
- **Carol Stoner**, daughter of Bill Hawkins and Eleanor Hawkins, will have colon surgery on August 14<sup>th</sup>
- **Sharon Lemmon** is recovering from toe surgery; Joe also has health issues and care for both of them is a challenge
- Prayers for **Carm Cripe and his family**. He had an auto accident and has suffered a broken clavicle, cuts and bruises. He is presently at Courtyard in Goshen.  
**Cards for Carm** should go to 14051 Claire Lane, Middlebury 46540
- **Marj Miller**, who lives in Staunton VA has shingles in her eye; she continues with cancer treatments. Additionally, please pray that she finds a church she likes
- **Gary Black** who has been diagnosed with rectal cancer; on Wednesday they found that the cancer has spread into the muscle wall surrounding rectum. Surgery is no longer an option. Gary is in a lot of pain from the blockage and can't take pain meds due to the heart problems. Monday 8/3 Gary & Renee had a meeting with the medical team and they have devised a treatment plan that begins on
- **Don Anderson**, who had surgery on July 20<sup>th</sup> to remove a growth that was developing into melanoma; he is recovering from the surgery that included a skin graft. Also for the healing of Don's broken arms.
- For **Dixie Weaver**, who has chosen to stop chemo therapy. Her wish is for prayers of gratitude for all her blessings. She has stated that quality over quantity is most important to her and she asks that prayers of support contain joy and love.
- **Sophia Bendes**, 4 ½ yrs old, granddaughter of Pastor Mark Bendes from Yellow Creek CoB, lost her battle with cancer on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. Please keep the Bendes family close in prayer.
- For all **health care workers** and prayers for the end of the Coronavirus
- **Bill Wagner**, Martha Huebert's brother, whose myelodysplasia syndrome (MDS) is progressively worsening. He continues to need transfusions; however, there is a shortage of blood at this time.
- **Emilie Boggs**, niece of Bev Short and Deneise Weyhmilller, who is out of rehab and continuing the process to reinstate custody of her daughter

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- Mike Byrd for declining health<sup>8/25</sup>
- Andy, Dalton and Gretchen Showalter
- Eleanor Hawkins for leg pain
- Carla Hawkins, daughter of Bill Hawkins and Eleanor Hawkins, for her infusion treatments
- Our peaceful existence in the world
- Little Lites Daycare
- Middlebury Church of the Brethren in Community
- EYN Nigerian COB healing and restoration