

**Christian Education at 11:00am**

**Children under 9 years of age** meet in classrooms west of the kitchen with Keri Anderson & Sharon Lemmon

**Children 10 years and older** meet in Room 401 with Mark & Catherine Roebuck

**Adult Group Gathering**

Adult Group Discussion currently meets in the fellowship hall.

You are also welcome to stay in the sanctuary for quiet time of prayer and contemplation.

Or join us in the fellowship hall for conversation and refreshments after worship. Please be mindful of social distancing.



**For children 6 years and under, we have a play area** set up along the back wall to your left as you enter the sanctuary. Please sit close to that play area to supervise your children/grandchildren. Clipboards with activities are available for children of all ages.

**Our Mission Statement**

Believe God's Word. Live Christ's teaching.  
Grow spiritually and share God's love, peace, hope and joy.

**Middlebury Church of the Brethren**

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Cover image is a Moravian star used by those in that church to celebrate Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany. The first such star originated in the 1830s at the Moravian Boys' School in Niesky, Germany, as a geometry lesson.



**Middlebury  
Church of the Brethren**



**January 30, 2022**

MIDDLEBURY CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN  
a welcoming and inclusive congregation  
offering Christ's hospitality to the world

Worship – 9:30am Fellowship – 10:45am Christian Education 11:00am

January 30, 2022

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Preparing our Hearts for Worship

Camp Songs

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 78:1-4

One: The Word of God comes to us:

**All: My people, hear my teaching; listen to the words of my mouth.**

One: I will open my mouth with a parable; I will utter hidden things, things from of old—

**All: Things we have heard and known, things our ancestors have told us.**

One: We will not hide them from their descendants;

**All: We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,**

One: We will tell the next generation his power, and the wonders he has done.

**All: Here in worship this day, we will attend to the Word of God.**

Invocation

Interlude

Moment for Mission: Camp Mack

2 Cents-a-Meal Offering

Response

*Magic Penny*

screen

Offering Prayer

You are invited to leave your offerings on the table by the sanctuary doors.

Hymn

*Lord, Thou Dost Love*

#387

Joys and Concerns

Prayers for the People

Preparation for Hearing the Word *Listen, Listen God is Calling* (sing twice)

Listen, listen God is calling,

To the Word inviting,

Offering forgiveness, comfort, and joy.

Scripture

Philippians 2: 12-13

Message

\*Hymn

*Blessed Assurance*

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\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Congregation stands in body and/or spirit, as you wish.

The offering prayer is #737 in our hymnal. The “Magic Penny” video is used with permission of the artist.

Our worship center encourages us to consider the work of peace and justice we are to be about as followers of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Before us is a cultivator and swords reminding us of the call in Isaiah 2:4 to “beat **swords into plowshares**, and spears into pruning hooks.”

If you are new or visiting, you are most welcome in worship and to stay for a time of fellowship afterwards. Please fill out the guest card located in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary.

Guest Preacher – Brad Hardesty      Worship Leader – Mark Bickel

Joys & Concerns – Julie Bontrager

Pianist – Lorie Copeland      Flutist – Sherry Bickel      Song Leader – Tammy Houser

Ushers – Sheila & Beth M

Greeters – Bev & Bill

Worship Center: Sheila and Steve Poyser

Sound Loft – Mark Roebuck, William Coffey, Matt Weaver

**Upcoming in worship**

February 6<sup>th</sup> – Isaiah 6: 1-13

February 13<sup>th</sup> – Luke 6: 17-26

February 20<sup>th</sup> – Luke 6: 27-38

February 27<sup>th</sup> – Luke 9: 28-43a

**January 30, 2022  
Announcements**

**This week: Pastor Debbie** is out of town through Monday. In case of emergency, please contact the church office, or your deacon.

**Office hours:**

Pastor Debbie's regular schedule is as follows. Additional times in the office are noted on the calendar outside her office door. Her email: [pastordebbie@mcob.org](mailto:pastordebbie@mcob.org)

Mondays Her Sabbath/day off

Tuesdays 11am-3pm

Fridays 11am-4pm

**Dalis:** 9:30am – 3:00pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.

Bulletins are printed on Thursday and can't be adjusted after that. Please know that emails and voicemails that come into the office Friday – Monday will not be seen until Tuesday.

Please check your mailbox for the **Joys and Concerns** list.

This year we are compiling our own Lenten devotional booklet. Please choose one or two or three days to write reflections; just a paragraph or two of your thoughts on one of the daily scriptures given. Please sign up and take the reminder slip for your chosen entry. Let the office know which daily scripture you are focusing upon and which version of the Bible you are using. **Submissions are due on February 13<sup>th</sup>**. You may email yours to the office or drop it off on Dalis's desk.

On Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, will be an **All Church educational meeting** during the Sunday school hour. This is to educate and inform everyone about issues that impact our congregation during this transition time and will inform our pastoral search team. This meeting will be led by Pastor Debbie.

**Two positions need to be filled in our church:**

- One volunteer for a 2 year position serving as Annual Conference delegate this year in Omaha, NE and next year in Cincinnati, OH
- Someone to serve as church clerk

Please see Lorie Copeland if you are interested in filling either position.

**Trenda Fry's** address for cards: 11707 CR 16, Middlebury 46540

**Save the date:** Middlebury Chamber of Commerce is inviting us to join a Zoom meeting on Sat. Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> at 9am to attend the 2022 Third House Session. This will provide a forum for community members to discuss pending legislation with elected representatives. See flier on bulletin board or use Meeting ID 827 7237 2509 and Passcode 370780.

**Food Pantry** – Non-perishable food and other items are always being collected or you may donate money for milk vouchers. Bring your donations to the church at the back of the sanctuary. Also, canned goods should have the pop-top lids when possible.

We are using to **individually packaged treats** that will be served during fellowship time. If you are planning to bring in a treat, please consider making sure they are individually packaged. If you have questions, please contact Sherry Bickel. Thank you!

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And **find us on Facebook** at Middlebury Church of the Brethren.

