

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.

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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
a welcoming and inclusive congregation
offering Christ's hospitality to the world

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

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Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

*Preparing our Hearts for Worship *Here in this Place* (vs. 1 & 4) #6

*Call to Worship #671

Interlude

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

Offering Prayer:

One: O God, we are worried about people who are forgotten by others:

Left: Isolated older people,

Right: Children growing up without love or support,

Left: Those in prison,

Right: And those caught up in cycles of violence and poverty,

Left: People lacking shelter or meaningful work,

Right: Those who live with chronic conditions, mental illness, or suffering.

One: Show us how to help them.

All: Give us opportunities to care.

One: Give us the right words to offer hope and peace.

All: And may the ministries of our church spread Your love throughout the world.

One: Bless these, our tithes and offerings, and our lives to Your service, we pray.

All: Amen

Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer *Open My Eyes That I May See* #517

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

Isaiah 6:1-13

Message

Do it Anyway

*Hymn

Here I am Lord

#395

*Affirmation of Faith

*Benediction

*Postlude

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

The offering prayer is based on #759 in our hymnal.

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.

Interim Pastor – Debbie Eisenbise Worship Leader – Catherine Roebuck
Pianist – Lorie Copeland Flutist – Sherry Bickel Song Leader – Tammy Houser
Ushers – Jacob Cripe & Don Muhlnickel
Greeters – Steve & Sheila Poyser
Worship Center: Sheila and Steve Poyser
Sound Loft – Mark Roebuck, William Coffey, Matt Weaver

Upcoming in worship

February 13th – Luke 6: 17-26

February 20th – Luke 6: 27-38

February 27th – Luke 9: 28-43a

**February 6, 2022
Announcements**

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

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 13th**. You may email yours to the office or drop it off on Dalis's desk.

On Sunday, February 20th, 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.

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

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 **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.

