

**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**

**507 Bristol Ave.**

**Middlebury, IN 46540**

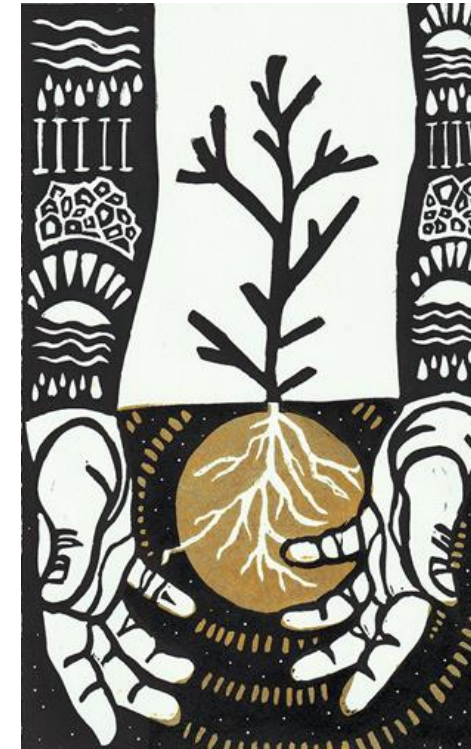
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**Middlebury  
Church of the Brethren**



**March 20, 2022  
Third Sunday of Lent**

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

March 20, 2022

Gathering Music  
Welcome and Announcements

Silence and Centering

\*Call to Worship

\*Response *Praise, I will Praise You, Lord* #76

Interlude

Offering

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

**Doxology** [please sing these words to tune #119]

**Praise God on whom our lives depend.**

**Praise God whose love shall never end.**

**With justice, love, humility,**

**May we serve daily, faithfully. Amen.**

Offering Prayer

Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer *We Pray for Peace* Video

Prayers for the People

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession:

O God, teach us to see as You see, and live as You live, and love as

You love. Forgive us when we don't. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture  
Message

Luke 13: 1-9

New Testament #76

\*Sung Benediction *You Shall Go Out with Joy* #427

\*Postlude

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

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.

The call to worship is based on #148 in *Sing the Story*. Lyrics to the Doxology by Joe Detrick from *For All Who Minister* are used with permission. The offering prayer is on #751 in the Hymnal.

Interim Pastor – Debbie Eisenbise Worship Leader – Renee Black

Flutist – Sherry Bickel

Ushers – Beth Muhl Nickel & Jacob Cripe Greeters – Beth & Don Muhl Nickel

Worship Center – Sheila and Steve Poyser

Sound Loft – Mark Roebuck, William Coffey, Matt Weaver

**Upcoming in worship**

March 27<sup>th</sup> – 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Mark 14: 3-9

Palm/Passion Sunday: April 10<sup>th</sup> – Luke 19: 28-40

Easter: April 17<sup>th</sup> – Luke 24:1-12

**March 20, 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](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.

**Lorie:** 8:30-5:30 Monday-Friday, off Monday 3/21.

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

**Peace & Justice Group** meets at the library on Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Author Marshall King will be talking about his book *Disarmed*, based on the life of United Nations official, M.J. Sharp, who was beheaded in the Democratic Republic of Congo in 2017 during a peace making mission. Everyone who wants to attend is welcome.

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

**Marj Miller's** address: 1121 Montgomery Ave., Apt. 314, Staunton, VA 24401

**Open Leadership Position:**

A volunteer to serve as church clerk.

Please see Board Chairperson Lorie Copeland if you are interested.

**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.

**Transition Team meeting** Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon.

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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.