

Christian Education at 11:00am most Sundays

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.



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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**Middlebury
Church of the Brethren**



September 18, 2022

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

Worship – 9:30am Fellowship / Refreshments – 10:45am
Sunday School – 11am
September 18, 2022

Welcome and Announcements

***Preparing for Worship** *How Firm a Foundation* #567

***Call to Worship**

One: We will trust when You, O God, are physically absent.

All: How firm a foundation.

One: We will believe when You are present in the Spirit.

All: How firm a foundation.

One: We will avoid the sinking sand.

All: How firm a foundation.

One: We will build upon the solid rock of Your love.

All: How firm a foundation.

Unison Invocation: Dear God, come be with us today. Hear our prayers and our praises. Lift from us our worries and our doubts. Remind us of your love and strength which surround us. Establish Yourself in our hearts. Help us strengthen our foundation in you. Nurture the roots of our faith. Build us up from the cornerstone You provide us through Your son Jesus Christ. Be with us as we hear Your Word and help us live out the teachings of Your message. Amen.

Interlude

Brethren History Jam

Response *Count Well the Cost (Another Way of Living)* video

Centering Prayer

NYC Wrap Up video

Offering You are invited to leave your offerings in the plate at the door to the sanctuary.

Denominational Mission Offering

Offering Prayer

Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

Preparing to Hear the Word *Christ be in My Mind (Teresa's Prayer)* video

Christ be in my mind and in my thinking.

Christ be in my eyes, in everything I see.

Christ be in my ears and in my hearing.

Christ be in my mouth, in every word I speak.

Christ be in my heart and in my loving.

Christ be in my life, each moment that I live.

Scripture Jam

Colossians 2: 5-7

Message *Foundational*

***Response** *My Soul Cries Out* see insert

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

If you are new or visiting, please fill out a visitor card available in the entryway and please stay for fellowship. You are most welcome here!

Guest Preacher & Guitarist – Lucas Kauffman

Worship Leaders – Interim Pastor Debbie Eisenbise and District Youth: Logan Bickel, Hannah Kruse, Carter Kruse, Sebastian Eikler, Trinity Strycker, Nicole Klase and Bri Synrex
Flutist – Sherry Bickel

Ushers – Todd Grathen & Beth Sholly Greeters – Steve & Sheila Poyser

Sound Loft – Mark Roebuck, William Coffey, Matt Weaver

The call to worship and other worship elements are from National Youth Conference resources. The Brethren History jam was written by Walt Wiltschek. The video of Seth Hendricks and Chris Good is used with their permission; "Count Well the Cost" is streamed with permission. The NYC Wrap Up is from the Manchester Church of the Brethren; music by Seth Hendricks. The centering prayer was written by Shawn Flory Replogle. The video of "Teresa's Prayer" is streamed and reprinted with permission of Joseph Helfrick. "My Soul Cries Out" is #124 in *Sing the Story* and is copied using One License #00762.

Sunday School Upcoming: Today and Sept. 25 – series on discernment continues

Discernment Workshop (2-5pm in Day Care common area) – Sept. 25

Worship Upcoming: Sept. 25 – Lamentations 3: 19-26 & Luke 17: 5-10

Oct. 2 – Fall Love Feast at Camp Mack: outdoor worship and finger food potluck lunch:
please note what you'll be bringing on the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall.

Announcements September 18, 2022

Office hours:

Pastor Debbie will be in the office this week on Tues. & Fri.

Colleen: Wed. & Fri. 9am – 3pm. Bulletins are printed on Friday and can't be adjusted after that. Please know that emails and voicemails that come into the office Saturday through Tuesday will not be seen until Wednesday.

Lorie: Monday – Friday: 8:30am – 5:30pm

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

Thanks to all who came and participated in Little Lites' Grandparents' Day.

EMERGENCY forms are in mailboxes today. Please complete and return them to the church office as soon as possible, and **no later than Sunday, Oct. 9.**

All are invited to a 90th birthday celebration for Bruce Barwick at Creekside Church of the Brethren following their morning worship on Oct. 2. Cards can be sent to him at 1134 Diamond Dr., Mishawaka IN 46544. Contact Beth Muhnckel with questions.

Flower donations are welcome for the worship center through the rest of the summer and into the fall. Please see Sheila Poyser if you have any questions.

Monetary **donations are needed for Blessings in a Backpack** to run in the schools this year. It takes \$125 to cover one student for the school year, and funding has been provided for 50 of the 150 students supported last year. If you are able to contribute to this worthy cause, make checks payable to Blessings in a Backpack, and put your donation in the offering plate or in Jess Cripe's mailbox.

Worship Commission work day, Sept. 28, 9:30-11:30am – all are welcome to come and help sort, clean, reorganize, and repurpose parts of our building. Contact Renee Black for more information.

Following the April 23rd Peace & Justice presentation by Pastor Keith Funk of the Quinter CoB, it was suggested one way to **help with needs in Ukraine** is through donations to the CoB Disaster Relief Fund. Send donations to: Church of the Brethren, 1451 Dundee Ave., Elgin, IL 60120; or find a link on www.brethren.org.

Camp Mack

- **Festival:** Save the date: **Oct. 1.** See Catherine or Mark Roebuck for information in helping to run a booth there.

- **Work Days:** Camp Mack is looking for willing workers for Labor Day through mid-December. If you have time and energy to contribute to the work that needs to be done, please see the letter posted on the bulletin board across from the church office.
- Oct. 8-9 **Father Son Retreat**
- Oct. 12-16 **Quilt Retreat**
- Oct. 13-16 **Scrapbook Retreat**
- Oct. 15 **Scrapbooking / Knitting / Crocheting Get-a-way Day**
- Oct. 16 **Fall Nut and Tree ID Walk Get-a-way Day**
- Oct. 17-20 **Seasoned Citizens Retreat**
- Oct 22 **Prairie Restoration Get-a-way Day**

Children's Disaster Services Volunteer Workshop will be held Oct. 14-15 at Eel River Community Church of the Brethren in Silver Lake, IN. See bulletin board for details about how to sign up and for a scholarship application. Please see Tammy Houser (a trained CDS volunteer) if you want to know what this entails.

Also **for you to pick up on the back table in the sanctuary:**

- ✓ Wired Word: biblical commentary on current events
- ✓ Anniversary bookmarks

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