



For children 6 years and under, we have a play area along the back wall to your left as you enter the sanctuary. Please sit close to supervise children you bring. Clipboards with activities are available for children of all ages – ask an usher.

To access our livestreamed service use this link:

<https://youtube.com/@PEASE507> or go to www.mcob.org, click on **LIVESTREAM: Watch the Service Live** or **YouTube icon**. It doesn't go live until the loft activates it, so if it isn't there immediately, leave the page and try again. You can also access copies of the bulletin and links to past services at www.mcob.org. **Find us on Facebook** at Middlebury Church of the Brethren.

Our Mission Statement

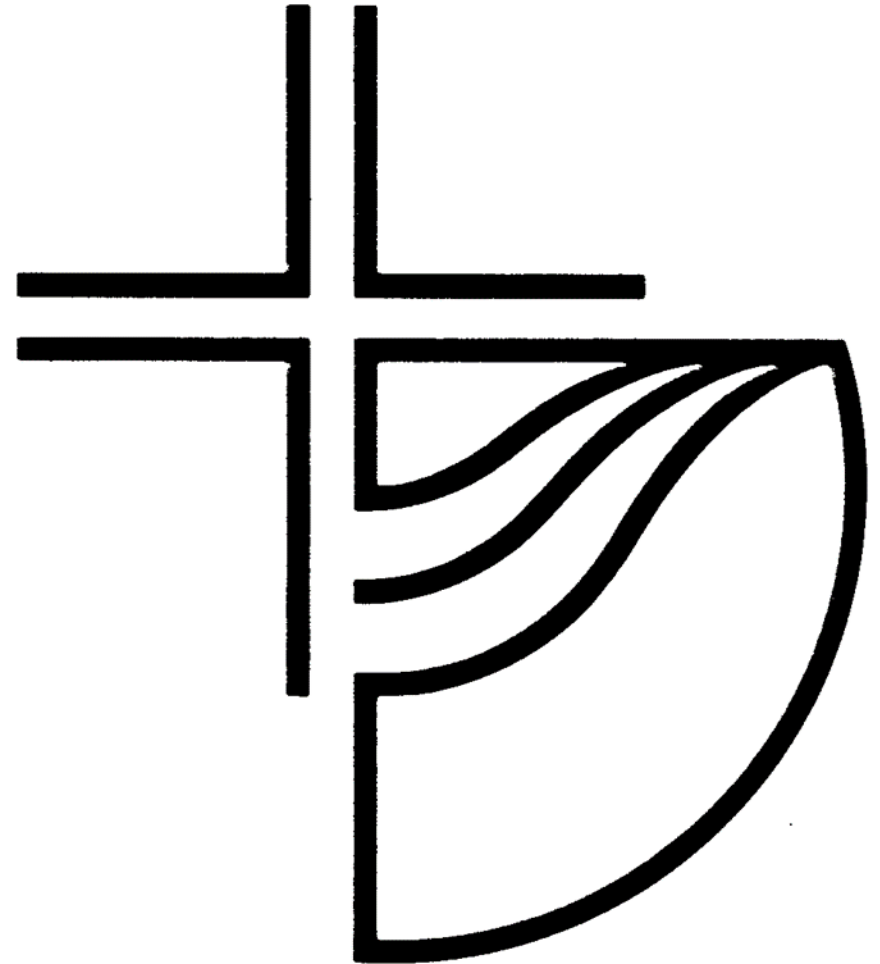
Believe God's Word. Live Christ's teaching.
Grow spiritually and share God's love, peace, hope and joy.

Middlebury Church of the Brethren

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The Church of the Brethren symbol on the cover upholds images of life in Jesus Christ. The cross recalls our baptism into Christ's death and resurrection (Romans 6:4) and testifies to God's plan to bring "all in heaven and earth . . . into a unity in Christ" (Ephesians 1:10 NEB). The circle, partially defined, represents the world into which we are sent by Christ (Matthew 28:19). The circle also affirms that as members of Christ's body we are members one of another (Romans 12:5)—a people who confess "one Lord, one faith, one baptism" (Ephesians 4:5). The wave connotes new life in Christ, "born of water and the Spirit" (John 3:5). The wave further evokes the waters of justice (Amos 5:24), the cup of water offered in Christ's name (Mark 9:41), the basin and towel (John 13:5), and "springs of living water" (Revelation 7:17). Images central to life in Jesus Christ thus are lifted up as images for Brethren to live by.

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June 2, 2024

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

Worship—9:00am Fellowship—10:15am Sunday School—10:45am

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Samuel hears a voice calling, but he doesn't know it's God's voice. He thinks it is Eli, the priest, his mentor, so he runs to Eli: "Here I am!" This happens several times until Eli, in his wisdom, realizes what is happening and instructs Samuel to respond not to him, but to God. Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening. Are we listening for God? How do we recognize God's voice when God speaks?

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer (unison)

Dear God, our friend,
we come to worship you today.
We come to sing, pray, and listen.
You always hear us.
Help us to hear you. Amen.

***Hymn of Gathering** **Open now thy gates of beauty** #19

Graduate Recognition

Offering Invitation and Prayer

An offering plate is available at the back of the sanctuary for your gifts.

The Community Prays Together

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

One: In your mercy Lord

Many: Hear our prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading **1 Samuel 3:1-20** O.T. p.247

Hymn of Proclamation **Obey my voice** #163

Message **Are you listening?**

Moments of Silent Reflection

***Hymn of Witness** **When we walk with the Lord** #544

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

*Please rise in body and/or spirit.

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

Preacher – Kurt Borgmann

Worship Leader – Dalis Andrews

Pianist – Lorie Copeland

Flautist – Sherry Bickel

Guitarist – Jill Weaver

Ushers – Dalis Andrews & Dana Snider

Greeters – Bev Short & Bill Hawkins

Audio/Visual Support – Mark Roebuck, William Coffey, Matt Weaver, Jacob Cripe

Office Hours

Pastor Kurt: Wednesday and Friday, 9am-noon

Treasurer / Daycare Business Manager Lorie:
Monday through Friday, 8:30am–5:30pm

Office Manager Colleen: Wednesday through Friday, 9am-2pm

Bulletins are printed on Friday and cannot be adjusted after that. Please know that emails and voicemails that come into the office Saturday through Tuesday will not be seen until Wednesday.

Happening this Week

- Nurture Team: Wed., 9:30am in pastor's office

Upcoming in Worship

June 9: Guest Preacher Tim Stair

Sunday School Schedule Upcoming

June thru August: "Hope in the Lord," taught by Julie Bontrager

Announcements

The **July/August** edition of **The Upper Room** is available on the table outside the office.

Worship schedule has changed:

Until the end of September, worship will start at 9:00 a.m., followed by 10:15 fellowship time, and Sunday school from 10:45-11:30 a.m.

After consideration, the Leadership Team has decided **we will not participate in this year's Summer Festival parade**. This decision was based on several factors, including our increased emphasis on our dog biscuit efforts for the Fall Festival and awareness of an already stretched thin membership. We know the parade was appreciated by some of our members, and we are sorry for any disappointment felt by this decision. Please reach out to the Leadership Team if you wish to discuss this further.

Help fund our **Congregational Aid Plan (CAP)** to provide scholarships for our college students. Use an envelope from the back table, or mark it on your regular giving envelope.

The **Borgmann** family invites the church family to a **graduation open house** at our home at 13126 Bear Creek Court, Middlebury, **today between 5 and 8 pm** as we celebrate **Leyna's graduation** from Bethany Christian School. Please park along the street (or in the driveway if you have mobility concerns) and then come around the back of the house to join the party!

Reserve your **South Bend Cubs** ticket for June 23. Cost is \$16. The contact person is Cinda Haney, haneycinda@hotmail.com, at Goshen City CoB. Deadline is June 9.

D.Y.S.C.O (District Youth Serving Christ Openly)

June 15, 2-6 p.m. – **Pool party** at Katie Phipps' home in Bremen. (950 Sunrise Dr, Bremen 46506). Please bring drinks &/or snacks to share.

Worship at Camp Mack with Goshen City CoB, **10:30am June 30**. Lunch at noon. **Lunch prices** are \$14 for adults, \$10.50 for ages 9-12 and \$7 for ages 3-8. Lunch count and money are **due by June 16** to Lorie Copeland via the church office or by designating on your regular offering envelope.

Annual Conference opportunities:

- **Volunteers are needed** to assist with **ticket sales at Annual Conference, July 3-6, Grand Rapids MI**. This group of folks will handle all onsite ticket sales for catered meal events. Our responsibilities begin Tuesday, July 3 at 3:00 pm and end Saturday, July 6 at noon.
 - If you can help, please sign up for one or more shifts using this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4AAEAF2FA2FAC43-49221854-annual> OR contact Don Anderson, ticket sales coordinator, at donaldranderson@comcast.net or 574-370-9905.
- **Contribute to Witness to the Host City**
 - **Kids' Food Basket** needs food items & lunch bags
 - **Sleep in Heavenly Peace** needs bed accessories & workers to build beds
 - A container for your donations is in the sanctuary. Lists of items needed for both charities were in church mailboxes, and more details are on the bulletin board across from the mailboxes.