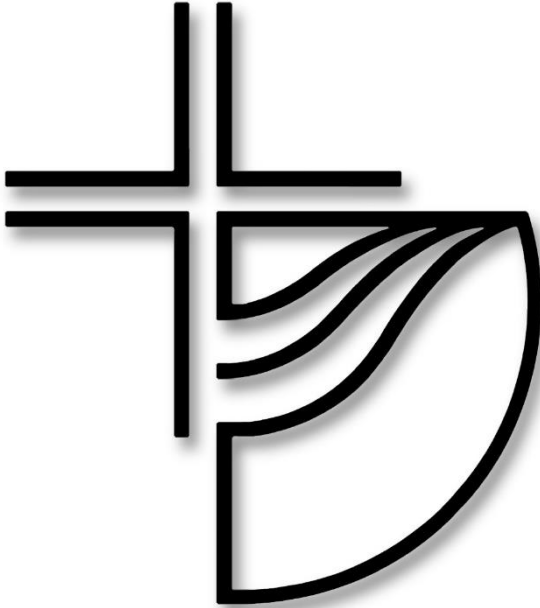


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October 23, 2022

MORNING PSALM ~ 8:15

WORDS OF WELCOME

ORGAN PRELUDE

Brethorst arr. by Joanne Brown LeDoux
“*I Will Enter His Gates*”

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Announcements

Joys and Concerns

Birthday Offering

Birthday Offerings should be brought forth at this time. These go into our Benevolence Fund to support those in need.

*UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us adore the ever-living God, and render praise unto who spread out the heavens and established the earth, whose glory is revealed in the heavens above and whose greatness is manifest through the world. He is our God; there is none else.

*PRAYER OF GATHERING

*HYMN

“*I Love to Tell the Story*”

No. 398

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know ‘tis true.
It satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story, ‘twill be my theme in glory,
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story. ‘Tis pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.

I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God’s own holy word.

Refrain

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
‘twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.

Refrain

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SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 5:1-20 NT p. 36-37

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

“Where Are We Going?”

*HYMN *“Christian, Let Your Burning Light”* No. 402

Christian, let your burning light shine on all with luster bright.
Let your words and deeds be pure. All for Christ you must endure.

Refrain

Christian, let your light shine all along your way.
You may guide a wandr’er to eternal day.
You may save from endless night if you let your lamp burn bright.

As you journey here below, shed a ray where’er you go.
Find in this your pure delight, let your light shine clear and bright.

Refrain

That your light may guide you through, brightly let it shine anew.
Keep up courage never fail till you’re safe within the veil.

Refrain

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CHILDREN’S STORY

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

SPECIAL MUSIC *“Jesus Never Fails”*

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Stewardship Challenge

Offertory *“In Retrospect on “Leaning”* arr. by John Rasley

Offertory Prayer

*HYMN *“Go”* Insert

*RESPONSIVE WORDS OF SENDING

Leader: We came to worship, we go now to serve.

People: We have been given the light, we go now to let it shine.

Leader: We have been blessed by God’s love, we go now to share it.

People: We are Christ’s disciples we go now to witness to all.

*ORGAN POSTLUDE

Go

Surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matt. 28:20

Parts optional

1. Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go, go.
2. If you love Me, real - ly love Me, feed My sheep.
3. Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go, go.

Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go,
If you love Me, real - ly love Me, feed My
Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go,

go. Bap-tiz-ing them in the name of the Fa-ther and Son, and
sheep. Lo, I'll be with you for - ev - er and ev - er, un - til the
go. Bap-tiz-ing them in the name of the Fa-ther and Son, and

Ho - ly Ghost. Go, go, go.
end of the world. Go, go, go.
Ho - ly Ghost. Go, go, go.

SONLIGHT WORSHIP ~ 10:30

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SPECIAL MUSIC "Jesus Never Fails"

STEWARDSHIP CHALLENGE AND PRAYER

*OPENING SONGS

Tremble

Peace, bring it all to peace
The storms surrounding me
Let it break at Your name

Still call the sea to still
The rage in me to still
Every wave at Your name

Chorus

Jesus. Jesus, You make the darkness tremble
Jesus, Jesus, You silence fear
Jesus, Jesus, You make the darkness tremble
Jesus, Jesus.

Breathe call these bones to live
Call these lungs to sing
Once again I will praise
Chorus X 2

Your name is a light that the shadows can't deny
Your name cannot be overcome
Your name is alive forever lifted high
Your name cannot be overcome
Chorus X 2

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Chorus

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine, Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 5:1-20 NT p. 36-37

SERMON

"Where Are We Going?"

CHILDREN'S STORY

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

CLOSING SONG

Pour Your Spirit Out

You've been down long enough
No more walking in shame
'Cause the way that He loves you
Isn't something you can change

You've been running in circles
But you can't hide from grace
'Cause the way that He loves you
Isn't something you can change

Chorus

Just like Lazarus out of that grave
Our God re-writes history
Jesus You change ev'rything
When You pour Your Spirit out
Just like Silas singing with Paul
Praise can break down prison walls
Jesus You can have it all
Won't You pour Your Spirit out
Pour Your Spirit out, pour Your Spirit out.

You can rest in His presence
You can trust in His name
'Cause His burden is easy
And He's perfect in His ways
You can run to the Father
There's no reason to wait
'Cause His arms have been open
That's not something you can change

Chorus

Pour Your Spirit out, Pour Your Spirit out.
All we have to do is just ask seek knock
Watch the doors swing wide open
Roll back that stone, Roll back that stone.
All we have to do is just ask seek knock
Watch the doors swing wide open
Roll back that stone, (Roll back that stone)
Roll back that stone, (Roll back that stone)
Just believe that it can happen
There's a miracle
Right behind that stone (roll back that stone)
Roll back that stone (roll back that stone)
He's been waiting can you hear it
He's been knock, knock, knocking
Roll back that stone (roll back that stone)
Roll back that stone (roll back that stone)

Chorus

Ask seek knock
Watch the doors swing wide open
Roll back that stone, (Roll back that stone.)
Roll back that stone, (Roll back that stone.)
Roll back that stone.

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Serving Our Congregation Today

Preacher:	Kevin Richardson
Worship Leader:	Janae McMichael
Children's Story:	Rhonda Heidinger
Special Music:	Adult Choir
Organist:	Mary Etta Reinhart
Pianist:	Donita Reimold
Sound Tech:	8:15 Rhonda Heidinger 10:30 Eric Holzhauer
Streaming:	8:15 Ed Heidinger 10:30 Remington Tshudy
Welcomers:	8:15 Ed Reinhart 10:30 Hans & Tina Herr
Greeters:	8:15 Rhonda Holloway 10:30 Mary Manges & Ruth Clark
Nursery:	10:30 Katherine Tshudy, Melissa Houghton
Ushers:	8:15 Vince & Judy Becker Brooklynn Sagers & Earl Mull
Praise Team:	10:30 Jake Holzhauer, Lori Holzhauer, Phil Hershey, Hannah & Kennedy Kreider

October 16, 2022 - Financial Report

General Offering	\$10,589.00	In Person Attendance	284
Online Offering	\$820.00	Sunday School	105
Building Maintenance Fund	\$100.00	Online Attendees	7

Next Sunday, October 30, 2022

8:15 Morning Psalm Worship
"Who Are We Missing" ~ Pastor Kevin Richardson
Scripture: Luke 2:41-52
9:30 Sunday School for ALL Ages
10:30 SonLight Worship
12 NOON Messengers – FLC
6 pm Youth ROOTS

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

MINISTERING BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION TODAY OCTOBER 23:

JOYCE WAGNER

WILLOW VALLEY, LAKESIDE: BETTY GRIFFITH, JIM KREIDER

QUARRYVILLE PRESBYTERIAN: ANNA JANE GLISSON

BRETHREN VILLAGE: AMOS CUNNINGHAM, DONNA KREIDER

CANCER PATIENTS: KATE VALENTINO, VICKIE RAISTRICK, RON DAVIS, MARK STANTON, ,
BARBARA FITZGERALD, MEGAN RUTT, LENA ADAMS, BILL PUGH, COURTNEY GEIB, ELLIE
HOLZHAUER

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Please be sure to grab a name tag the next few weeks as Pastor Kevin and Ruth get to know us.

Janae McMichael, Director of Family Ministries will be out of the office October 24-28. She will return to the office Monday, October 31.

MESSAGES FOR THE BODY

2022 Atlantic Northeast District prayer ministry:

Church we are praying for: Indian Creek (Harleysville, PA)

Church praying for us: Lancaster (Lancaster, PA)

October Is Pastor Appreciation Month ~ Pastor Appreciation Month was established in 1991 and is officially celebrated the second Sunday in October. The mission was to uplift and encourage pastors, missionaries and religious workers by providing physical, emotional and spiritual support. Join us this month as we celebrate and give

thanks to our pastoral team here at Mechanic Grove: Pastor Bob, Pastor Kevin, Pastor Mary Etta and Pastor Rita (and their spouses). We are blessed to have them among us.

Sincere appreciation for all who assisted in food preparation, serving and clean-up for the 125th anniversary celebration dinner. Each of you helped to make the day special. Thank you, thank you.

2023 Telephone Directory: Please stop by the table in the Gathering Area and check the information currently on file. Please make changes as necessary.

From our One Year Bible reading email group this week: Tonight, in my reading I was happy to stumble across Psalm 81:16. Just today I added a new song called "Honey In The Rock" to my playlist and tonight I read about it in scripture! I love a good God moment!

We are in need of a few Sound Technicians for both the 8:15 & 10:30 worship services. You would be volunteering for one Sunday per month on a rotation. If you are interested, please see Ed Heidinger II or contact him at Edh@mgcb.org or 717.344.4177

Volunteers needed to help with the Roots Meals. If you are able to help setup tables and chairs, tear down, wash dishes, bring desserts and/or drinks or if you are interested in cooking a Roots Meal, please contact Bobbie Davis. Meals are scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Wednesday's each month through April 2023.

Drivers Needed: Bible Adventures is looking for volunteers to drive their bus. You need a current CDL driver's license with P (Passenger) or S (School Bus) endorsement and a current DOT medical card. If you're interested or have questions, contact Brenda Brazee at (717) 951-6457 or email brenda@joyel.org.

It's that time of year again! We are collecting shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Boxes need to be returned to church by Sunday, November 13th. There is information on a table located in the Gathering Area. Papers with gift ideas are available on the table for the different age groups (2-4 yrs, 5-9 yrs, 10-14 yrs). Girl ideas are listed on one side of the paper and boy ideas are listed on the other side. Contact Mike, Tracy or Caitlyn Mauger with any questions. Suggested donation is \$10/shoebox. This helps with the packaging and

sending. Last year our church contributed 95 shoeboxes that brought the love of Jesus to 95 children. Awesome!!

COMING EVENTS

ANE Older Adult Coffee House October 27 from 2 – 3:30 pm at Lancaster COB. Gathering at the Water Hole ~ Unique Biblical Storytelling by Liz Bidgood Enders. No Reservations required! Free coffee, tea and cookies. If you are interested in attending, please contact Pastor Mary Etta at 717-786-4323.

Fall cleanup is scheduled for 8 am Saturday, November 12 with a rain date of November 19. Bring your rakes, wheelbarrows, etc., or just helping hands. We are also looking for help to clean the kitchen during the same time. Hope to see you there!

All are invited to attend the 2022 Contributors' Dinner at Camp Swatara on Friday, Nov. 4, 2022. Two mealtimes are again offered, at 12:30 and 6:30, with seating times beginning 1/2 hour prior to each meal. Questions and/or if interested, please contact Doris Snyder at 717-284-3389. **Reservations will be accepted until October 24.**

The Promise Players will present "Life, Death and Two Strips of Bacon!" November 4-6 & 10-13, 7:30 pm Thursday, Friday & Saturdays, 2:30 pm Matinee on Saturdays, 5 pm Sundays. This show will benefit The Factory Youth Ministry. To reserve your seats, call 717.464.2050 M-F 8:30am- 2:30 pm.

Volunteers are needed for Blessings of Hope on Friday, November 4. The time is 8:30-11 am. Volunteers will either sort produce or repackage food into manageable sizes and pack boxes for redistribution. For more information and to sign up, please see the Witness Bulletin Board.

When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. We are once again offering: Surviving the holidays on November 5 at 9:30. This two-hour seminar will help in dealing with your emotions, what to do about traditions, will provide helpful tips for surviving social events and show you how you can find hope for the future. Your facilitators are Pastor Rita Carter and Pastor Brian Berkey. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the church for further information and to register for the seminar.

A Child Dedication service is being planned for November 13. If interested, see Pastor Kevin or Janae.

We are looking for a couple individuals who could donate some cut firewood to use for our fires at the Journey to the Nativity event on December 17. We are thinking we will need approximately half of a pickup truck load, as the total amount. If you would be willing to donate some firewood, please contact Diane Herr.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFO

If you wish to place flowers in the church for anniversaries, birthdays, or other celebrations, please contact the church office.

Attention Sunday School Teachers: Please place your attendance booklets in the Sunday School Secretary's mailbox after class. It is located near the pastors' mailboxes.

Check your mailboxes and your **commission mailboxes** weekly for important information.

Solanco Food Bank Needs: 4 pack toilet paper, boxed instant oatmeal (individual serving), tissues, boxed cheesy & regular scalloped potatoes, mayo, Nissan cup o noodles, snack pack size applesauce, Hi-C juice boxes, granola bars, Chef Boyardee micro cups, Individual pancake pouches, saltine crackers, cooking oil, size 5/6 diapers, 8 pack variety breakfast cereal, Snack Pack pudding, jello or fruit and baby wipes. Donations may be placed in the Mealbarrow.

Announcements for the bulletin are due **by 12 Noon on Wednesdays** to be included in the bulletin. Place in mailbox marked "**Office**" or e-mail to **church@mgcb.org**. **Announcements may be edited.**

CDs or digital copies of both morning worship services are available upon request. For CDs, please contact Ed Heidinger II (717.344.4177) or Sharon Davis (717.468.4552), for digital copies contact Ed Heidinger II, or request a form from the Sound Technicians.

Looking for events for the Mechanic Grove Youth? Find our youth calendar online at <https://www.mgcb.org/youth>, join us in GroupMe <https://bit.ly/MGCOBYouth>.

Activities for the Week of October 23, 2022

Mon: 6:00 am Renovare via ZOOM

9:00 am BOLD - FLC

10:00 am BOLD - FLC

Tues: 9:00 am LIFT - Rm 33

Wed: 1:45 pm Bible Adventure

5:15 pm Junior Bells – Rm 26

5:45 pm Christmas Musical – Rm 14

6:30 pm Praise Team

7:00 pm Ministry & Stewards Commissions – Rm 14

7:30 pm Adult Choir – Sanctuary

Thurs: 9:00 am Women's Bible Study – Rm 14

9:00 am LIFT - Rm 33

6:30 pm BOLD – FLC

Fri: 9:00 am BOLD – FLC

2:30 pm FLC RESERVED

Sat: 7:00 am Men's Bible Study – Rm 14

Core Values

Unconditional Love

- † “Come as you are”
- † A welcoming family
- † An inviting family
- † A friendly family
- † Romans 12:13; I John 4:7

Faithful Service

- † Giving (Time, Talent & Treasure)
- † Local & global outreach
- † Matthew 10:42; James 2:14-17

Developing Disciples

- † Small Groups
- † Children and Youth ministries
- † Caring and learning together
- † Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 2:42

Jesus Centered Worship

- † Prayer
- † Biblical preaching
- † Praise
- † Glorifying God
- † Colossians 3:15-17

Lifestyle Witness

- † Living the example of Jesus
- † Teaching about Jesus
- † I Peter 3:15; I John 2:5-6
- † I Corinthians 6:19

Anabaptist Heritage

- † Brethren New Testament beliefs
(believers’ baptism, Love Feast,
Anointing, Peace)
- † Continuing the work of Jesus.
Peacefully. Simply. Together.
- † Matthew 5:9; Hebrews 12:1-2;
James 5:13-15

Our Mission

We, the Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren, seek to glorify God through worship and to nurture the Body of Christ. We are dedicated to sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and will share the promise of Salvation through words, deeds, and actions.

Our Vision

To glorify God through Jesus-centered worship and to take His Love into our local and global community through our faithful service, giving and outreach. While affirming our unique Brethren heritage of New Testament beliefs, we welcome all to “come as you are.” We believe that by nurturing believers, striving to be more like Jesus, and witnessing with our lifestyle, we will learn and grow together as disciples.

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