

Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren

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November 19, 2023

MORNING PSALM ~ 8:15

WORDS OF WELCOME

ORGAN PRELUDE

Crouch

“My Tribute”

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Announcements

Please pass the Friendship Pad

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAYER OF GATHERING

*HYMN

“Now Thank We All Our God”

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

“Thanksgiving in All Things”

I Thessalonians 5:16-18 NT p 197

*HYMN

“Give Thanks”

HS 1030

CHILDREN’S STORY

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN

“What Gift Can We Bring”

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GIVING OF HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Mealbarrow Sunday is the Sunday set aside to bring items for our local food bank to benefit those in need)

Prayer

Offertory

Paxton

“Free, Indeed!”

*Doxology

“Praise God From Whom”

119 vs a, b

*CLOSING PRAYER

*ORGAN POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able

Thanksgiving in All Things

Thessalonians 5:16-18

1. Thanksgiving is _____ . v 18
2. Thanksgiving is _____ . v 18
3. Thanksgiving is _____ . v 18
4. God _____ in the _____ of His _____ .
Psalm 22:3 KJV

Psalm 118:1

Serving Our Congregation Today

Preacher:	Kevin Richardson
Worship Leader:	8:15 Janae McMichael
Organist:	8:15 Lori Holzhauser
Pianist:	8:15 Donita Reimold
Children's Story:	Peggy Rasmussen
Sound Tech:	8:15 Philip Johnson 10:30 Joshua Auker
Streaming:	8:15 Ed Heidinger II 10:30 Jackson Houghton
Welcomers:	8:15 Lars & Peggy Rasmussen 10:30 Josh & Amy Housekeeper
Greeters:	8:15 Shawn & Jen O'Connell 10:30 Greg & Linda Bledsoe
Nursery:	10:30 Amber Criswell & Morgan Holzhauser
Ushers:	8:15 Dave & Diane Herr Pam & Alan Platt 10:30 Linda Frank & Kevin Prewitt Josh & Jess Bledsoe

November 12, 2023 - Financial Report

General Offering	\$9,247.00	In Person Attendance	183
Online Offering	\$630.00	Sunday School	112
Building Maintenance Fund	\$581.00	Online Attendees	13

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GATHERING SONG

"Gratitude"

WELCOME

*SONGS OF WORSHIP

"Raise a Hallelujah"
"Goodness of God"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Offering & Prayer

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KID'S SERMON

Children in grades 2-3 are dismissed to Grow Groups

PASTORAL PRAYER

*SONG OF WORSHIP

"Wonderful Merciful Savior"

MESSAGE

"Thanksgiving in All Things"
I Thessalonians 5:16-18 NT p 197

*CLOSING SONG

"Reckless Love"

*CLOSING PRAYER



THIS WEEK'S FAMILY THEME:
CHOICES HAVE CONSEQUENCES

DISCIPLE EVERY GENERATION:
DISCUSS WITH FAMILY MEMBERS HOW WE
SHOULD CONSIDER THE CONSEQUENCES OF OUR
CHOICES AND CHOOSE WHAT PLEASURES GOD.

ROOT GENESIS 13:1-14:16
TEXT: GENESIS 18:20-19:29

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Fighter Verse” to memorize this week: Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds his people from this time forth and evermore. ~ Psalm 125:1-2

Sr High Roots: Be at the church at 5:45 pm to join the Progressive Friendsgiving festivities.

MESSAGES FOR THE BODY

Flowers today are in loving memory of Jean Guhl given by her husband Bill.

Help cheer up Richie!! Our precious little Richie Metzler is feeling lonely. We can all help to cheer him with a card letting him know that we are praying for him and thinking of him. Cards may be left in the church office. Let’s let Richie know that we are in his corner.

Joyfully Made Fellowship, a church that ministers to those with special needs, is looking to purchase chairs for their sanctuary. They are currently using old kitchen and some padded chairs. They would like to purchase 50 Lifetime folding, easy cleaning chairs for their church. A donation of \$40 will sponsor a chair. If you have questions, contact Shawn Reimold.

Journey to Nativity Participants: Costumes are ready to be tried on. Your name is on the costume and there is a sheet posted with everyone’s name. Please put a check by your name and whether the costume is too big, too small or does not fit. Return the costume to the hanger as you found it. They are located in the preschool entrance.

COMING EVENTS

Poinsettias will be available to purchase in memory or in honor of someone and will enhance our worship service on December 24. Order forms are available in the Gathering Area. Cost is \$16. **Orders are due TODAY.**

Thanksgiving Eve Service ~ November 22 at 7 pm. We gather to remember all the things for which we ought to be thankful to God! We will also take the Thanksgiving Offering which goes to COBYS Family Services (75%) and the Solanco Food Bank (25%). We invite you to bring canned goods for the food bank as well.

"Everything Christmas" OAKS Celebration is Thursday, November 30 from 1-3 pm. We will gather to celebrate Christmas with a Christmas trivia game, crafts, cards, devotion, carols, and cookies. All older adults are invited to our "Everything Christmas" Celebration. Sign up is on the OAKS bulletin board.

2023 Christmas Bazaar at Brethren Village is Saturday, December 2 from 9 am-2 pm in the Wolfe Auditorium. **We need COOKIES!** Please bring cookies labeled if they are diabetic or contain nuts/peanut butter. Please have your cookies in the church kitchen by 10 am on November 30. Judy Becker will be leaving at 3 pm to deliver them.

Women's Ministry Annual Pine Trail is Thursday, December 7, departing the church at 5:30 pm. We will visit the beautiful, seasonally decorated home of Laurie O'Donnell and Donita Reimold. We will finish our tour at the Barn of Nottingham, hosted by Katie Price, for a time of food, fellowship, and a Christmas craft. Cost is \$10. Sign up in the Gathering Area.

Save the Date! 4th Annual Journey to the Nativity ~ Saturday, December 16 ~ 5:30 - 8 pm.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFO

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

All building use requests/event scheduling need to go through the church office between the hours of 9 am and 2 pm, or email church@mgcb.org.

Sound/Streaming Techs needed for both worship services. You would be volunteering for one Sunday per month on a rotation. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Ed Heidinger II at Edh@mgcb.org or 717.344.4177

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

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. Items for projection during the service are needed no later than 12 NOON Friday.** This will ensure enough time for copyright analysis if needed.

To receive the prayer chain and other e-communications contact the church office.

Looking for events for Youth ROOTS check this out
<https://tinyurl.com/MGCBYouthUpdates>

Copies of both morning worship services are available upon request. 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.

Solanco Food Bank Needs: Low sodium soup, Triscuits/Wheat Thin crackers, canned tuna/corned beef/Spam, Pop Tarts, Rice Krispie Treats, ketchup/mayonnaise, refired beans, Cheerios, feminine hygiene products. Donations may be placed in the Mealbarrow.

Activities for the Week of November 19, 2023

- Mon: 6:00 am Renovare Group
- 9:00 am BOLD - FLC/Nursery
- 7:00 pm Share & Prayer - ZOOM
- Tues: 10:00 am Painting Group
- 6:00 pm Pickleball - FLC
- Wed: 1:45 pm Bible Adventure
- 5:15 pm Junior Bells - Room 26
- 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service
- Thurs: Happy Thanksgiving!
Office Closed
- Fri: Office Closed
- 10:00 am Kitchen/FLC/Sanctuary - RESERVED
- Sat: 7:00 am Men's Bible Study - Room 14

Next Sunday, November 26, 2023

Birthday Offering

Mission Sunday

- 8:15 am Morning Psalm Worship
- Guest Speaker:
Pastor Joel Peña, Alpha & Omega Church
- 9:30 am Sunday School for ALL ages
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- Grow Groups 4-5

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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