



The First Church of the Brethren

Roaring Spring, PA

2022 Newsletter

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Living out our faith

Being the hands and feet of Jesus, serving with open minds and hearts.

We exist to be a community of welcome and worship where people find peace, purpose, and power through Jesus Christ.

Quick! Make a mental list of everything this time of year that you have to feel optimistic about.

I don't know what all you included in your list but I would hope, at least, that you found positive feelings and a sense of joy and be able to smile about:

- Spring is here! The weather is getting better daily, grass is greening and leaves are beginning to bud. Take some time to listen to the birds outside!
- There is SOME good news on the Covid front.
- Staying light longer in the evenings!
- And best of all -we're coming in the Easter season! How can we not feel joy? How can we not smile when we think about the Resurrection of Jesus Christ and all that means for us?

Just like the events of Good Friday cast a black, dark cloud on everything, so too does much of the news we hear about war, about the economy, about politics. But none of those are the final word. Just as we can celebrate that "It's Friday, but Sunday's coming" when we think about Jesus's final victory, so too can we apply that lesson to all the troubling things we hear today.

Even better advice –don't even think about the bad things! Instead, "Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things." (Philippians 4:8).

And at the top of that list, and always on our mind, keep the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and the promise of eternal life!

Pastor Dave



March 2022 Leadership Team Meeting Report

Deacons will meet on March 20 and make decisions regarding Easter activities. They are providing Pastor Dave with a photo album with photos taken the day of his ordination.

Pastor Dave reported that the ordination Sunday was a momentous day and that we need to focus on keeping the momentum of that day going. There is currently no one signed up for a Membership Class, but we may have a few membership transfers soon.

Worship Team reported that Gabe Imler will be part of worship on March 6th and will also briefly visit the children's SS classes.

Grove City College Trombone Choir will be presenting music on March 13th.

Additional special music is planned for the coming weeks.

Christian Ed Team reported that Amy Nooyen is forming a new group called "Mothers Uplifting Mothers."

They will meet for the first time on March 13th as a Sunday afternoon social.

VBS material is currently being reviewed by Mindy Wagner.

Mindy is also working on an Easter skit and a "Week with Jesus" event.

ReCharge continues to need weekly children's teachers.

A SS Supt. is needed. Duties for this position are being rewritten as the responsibilities have changed in the past several years. If a SS teacher cannot teach on a specific Sunday, they need to contact Mindy Wagner so she can plan for the class.

Finance & Facility Team is currently securing roof replacement bids.

Hospitality & Communications Team is finishing a new "Gifts & Talents" survey for the congregation to review and complete.

Seventy people attended the recent Bowling & Pizza party at Martinsburg. This is scheduled to become an annual event.

A Hymn Sing is planned for March 13th in the Fellowship Hall.

An Easter egg hunt is scheduled for April 6th.

Baby Dedication is set for May 15th. Please contact Sharon Hammel if you would like to participate.

A Family Banquet is planned for June. This would replace Mother/daughter & Father/son banquets.

A sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center to see if there is enough interest to offer a day trip to Sight & Sound to see "David."

Missions & Service Team is planning their first meeting. They have several local outreach projects to discuss.

2022 Team Business

Since Pastor Dave's schooling is complete, and he is now ordained, he is no longer considered our church's "Director of Ministry," as hired 4 years ago. His appropriate title will now become Rev. David Crumrine, or Sr. Pastor.

There was discussion on youth who have graduated High School being permitted to accompany current Sr. Youth at activities. Decision was made that if they are 18 years of age or older, they are not permitted to join in at events. This policy has been in place since 2015.

The Leadership Team is looking into securing CPR and AED training for the 2022 Team. Tom Ritchey, a teacher at CHS was recommended to do the training.

Submitted by Kaye Russell, 2022 Leadership Team Chairperson

Those Serving in April

Greeters

Cathie Pollard
Michael Pollard

Deacon Greeters

Mitch & Bethann
Frederick

Candlelighter

Jr High Youth

Fellowship Time

Deacons

APRIL	3	10	17	24
Organist	Cathy Petre	Cathy Petre	Barb Wineland	Barb Wineland
Pianist	Cathy Neal	Brenda Fluke-Garber	Brenda Fluke-Garber	Terry Hershberger
Storyteller		Betsy Garach	Sandy Norris	Bethann Frederick
Worship Leader		Linda Steele	Sandy Norris	
Children's Church	Jodie Dellinger	Janie Myers	Jodie Dellinger	MaryAnn Meetze
Flowers			Easter	
Bulletins	Reserved	Memory of Betty Jean Hoover		
Welcome Center	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland
Parking Lot	Paul Witkovsky	Earl Bryson J D Barry		

We would like to THANK the congregation VERY MUCH for the love, support, encouragement and prayers over the last four years. We especially would like to express our gratitude to all of you for the overwhelming outpouring this past Sunday during the ordination. We feel very blessed to be part of such a wonderful congregation and look forward to where the ministry of the First Church is taking all of us in coming months and years!

God Bless you all! Dave and Dawn Crumrine



Announcements and Information



The Deacons of First Church are excited to team up with Hoss's Steak and Sea House to raise money for a very worthy cause. Please consider visiting the Hoss's in Duncansville on 4/3/2022 to aid us in raising money to benefit Roaring Spring First Church of the Brethren Roof Fund.

Print this email and present it on **4/3/2022** at Hoss's in **Duncansville**

Hoss's will then donate 20%* or 25%** of your total check paid to **Roaring Spring First Church of the Brethren**

DISTRIBUTING INVITATIONS ON HOSS'S PROPERTY IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED AND WILL DISQUALIFY OUR ORGANIZATION! Thank you for your cooperation! Group #127218

- 4/1 Dominic Wagner
- Molly Martin
- 4/4 Denise Grubb
- 4/5 Joe Price
- 4/6 J D Barry
- 4/8 Gary Wineland
- 4/10 Rachel Laird
- 4/13 Mike Burns




- 4/17 Ramon Burket
- 4/18 Jeannie Stiffler
- 4/19 Deb Delozier
- 4/22 Paul Witkovsky
- Bryce Nooyen
- 4/25 Stacey Thompson
- 4/29 Hailey Burns



- 4/16 Gary & Jane Thompson
- 4/17 Bill & Jeanne Sollenberger

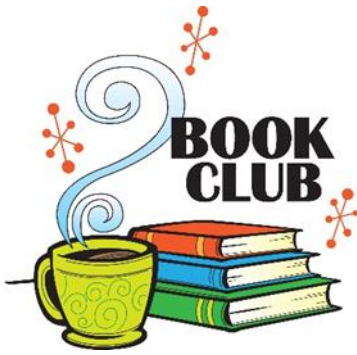
April 16, 2022
8 am
Breakfast at The Dream



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP



April 19, 2022
6 pm
Stone Cellar in Altoona
RSVP by 4/17 to Janet
Imes or Valerie Smith



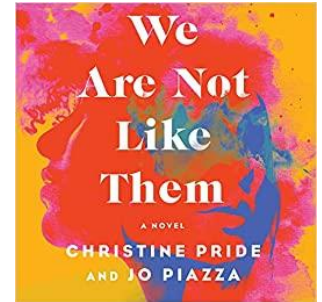
Meetings are the third Monday of each month at 10 am in the Parlor. Join us as we discuss the monthly selection.

April's Selection:

We Are Not Like Them by Christine Pride and Jo Piazza

Jen and Riley have been best friends since kindergarten. As adults, they remain as close as sisters, though their lives have taken different directions. Jen married young, and after years of trying, is finally pregnant. Riley pursued her childhood dream of becoming a television journalist and is poised to become one of the first Black female anchors of the top news channel in their hometown of Philadelphia.

But the deep bond they share is severely tested when Jen's husband, a city police officer, is involved in the shooting of an unarmed Black teenager. Six months pregnant, Jen is in freefall as her future, her husband's freedom, and her friendship with Riley are thrown into uncertainty. Covering this career-making story, Riley wrestles with the implications of this tragic incident for her Black community, her ambitions, and her relationship with her lifelong friend.



Doris Albright thanks her church family for all the cards she received for her 90th birthday.

Thank you Terra and Melinda for leading children's church on Sunday and working with the children to complete a project for Pastor Dave.

Please accept my utmost thanks for the prayers I received for my recent back issues and surgery. Your thoughtfulness is a gift I will always remember. I have made a full recovery and expect to return to work the middle of April. - Dante (Melinda) Green

Sandy Norris and family thank her church family for the support during the passing of her mother Anna Jewel.

Ethel Burket thanks everyone for the birthday calls and cards.

Fred & Arlene Beers wish to thank their church family for the prayers, concern, food, and phone calls they have received recently with both their health issues. They are both coming along, slowly though, and are looking forward to joining their church family in worship again soon.

Baby/Child Dedication will be part of our worship service on May 15th. Please contact the office if you would like to have your child/ren included.

APRIL 10 - 17, 2022



April 10 at 9:25 am

Our Chancel Choir will be an integral part of the Palm Sunday worship service as we celebrate the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem with palms. The children will perform a skit and we will receive new members into our church family through transfer. The Deacons invite everyone to a reception for them following worship. Christian Education Team is not sponsoring Children's Sunday School and adult classes will meet at their discretion.



April 14 at 6:30 pm

Love Feast will include a time of preparation, feetwashing, a fellowship meal and communion. If you have any questions, please talk with Pastor Dave or any of the deacons. Childcare will be available.



April 15

The Deacons are sponsoring a movie, *Esther* from Sight and Sound. It will begin promptly at 6:30 pm in our Sanctuary. An activity for kids, "A Week with Jesus" will be held in the Fellowship Hall from 6-9 pm. Children will walk through the last week of Jesus' life from the triumphant entry to resurrection. They will see the events of the week and enjoy snacks, crafts and activities.



April 17 at 9:25 am

By defeating the grave, Jesus empowers us to bear our worldly troubles with joy, peace and hope. His resurrection assures us that trials, tears and suffering are only temporary, while eternal victory and life with Jesus are permanent. Come and join with us in celebrating this joyous truth. Christian Education Team is not sponsoring Children's Sunday School and adult classes will meet at their discretion.

The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here for he has been raised, as he said." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

Matthew 28:5-6, 8



April 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 9:25 AM Worship 10:30 AM Congregational Forum 10:30 AM Sunday School 1:00 PM Fellowship Hall Reserved	28	29 9:30 AM Bible Study	30 9:00 AM Ladies Aid 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 5:45 PM Recharge! 6:15 PM Virtual Bible Study 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice	31 9:00 AM Breakfast Fellowship at Spring House Grille 9:00 AM Bulletin Announcement Deadline 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Knitting Group in Parlor	1	2
3 Hoss's Fundraiser for the Roof 9:25 AM Worship 10:30 AM Sunday School	4	5 9:30 AM Bible Study 7:00 PM Leadership Team	6 9:00 AM Ladies Aid 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:00 PM Easter Egg Hunt 6:15 PM Virtual Bible Study 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice 7:00 PM Easter Skit Practice	7 9:00 AM Breakfast Fellowship at Spring House Grille 9:00 AM Bulletin Announcement Deadline 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Knitting Group in Parlor	8	9 9:00 AM Easter Skit Practice 3:00 PM Fellowship Hall Reserved
10 Food Bank Collection 9:25 AM Worship 10:45 AM Fellowship Time	11 7:00 PM Disaster Response Meeting	12 9:30 AM Bible Study 7:00 PM Good Grief	13 9:00 AM Ladies Aid 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:15 PM Virtual Bible Study 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice	14 9:00 AM Breakfast Fellowship at Spring House Grille 9:00 AM Bulletin Announcement Deadline 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Christian Ed Meeting 6:30 PM Love Feast	15 Office Closed 1:00 PM Newsletter Submission Deadline 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM A Week With Jesus 6:30 PM Deacon sponsored Movie	16 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast
17 9:25 AM Easter Worship	18 Office Closed 10:00 AM Book Group	19 9:30 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM Sisters of Faith Dinner	20 9:00 AM Ladies Aid 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:15 PM Virtual Bible Study 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice	21 9:00 AM Breakfast Fellowship at Spring House Grille 9:00 AM Bulletin Announcement Deadline 6:00 PM Leadership Executive 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Knitting Group in Parlor	22	23
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“Lent is spring training. Easter is opening day!” —seen on a church sign

It is light that enables us to see the difference between things; and it is Christ that gives us light. —A.W. Hare and J.C. Hare

I’ve learned that if you’re going to pray about something, why worry? If you’re going to worry, why pray? —Unknown

Whenever you are confronted with an opponent, conquer him with love. —Mahatma Gandhi

A well-used Bible that is falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn’t.

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