



The First Church of the Brethren

Roaring Spring, PA

2021 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.

Matthew 25: 34 has it correct? “Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.”

If tough times have caused you to turn your attention away from all the good things going on around you, then make sure you're coming back to church for the month of May. If you didn't know it already, Roaring Spring First Church of the Brethren certainly has a lot to be thankful for!

On May 2nd the Senior High Youth will be leading worship as we celebrate our programs that are helping to train the leaders of tomorrow's church. One week later, Mother's Day will be the subject of our attention as we pay tribute to all those who have filled that important role in our lives. Of course, we usually hold Baby Dedication that Sunday, but because of schedules and the availability of participants this year we will be celebrating new arrivals on May 16th. The following week is tentatively scheduled to be the Graduate recognition as we recognize those in our church who are reaching the milestone of high school or post high school graduation. May 30th rounds out the festive month as that weekend we pay tribute to Memorial Day and also the beginning of summer.

And how can we forget that the joy of serving a risen Lord and Savior will be front and center through all of our celebrations of those many blessings.

So get excited! We have much to be thankful for here at First Church and we will be calling attention to many of those blessings through the month of May as we celebrate just some of the blessings that come with being in the Kingdom of God!

- *Pastor Dave*

Highlights of Leadership Mtg.

March,23 2021

Sunday in Church worship-

We continue to evaluate the Covid situation and make changes with the consideration of the safety of our congregation with the desire to worship together. We continue to meet in person while encouraging those who attend to wear masks upon entering the facility and throughout the service as a way to allow those in attendance to feel safe and comfortable with this pandemic situation. We continue to refrain from renting the church to groups but have increased the use of various rooms throughout the church as long as proper sanitation has been completed.

Finance and Facility-Bryce Nooyen

Met with an electrician regarding the leak to extend heating costs and we are getting estimates. Offering remains steady and expenses are as expected. Mike and Bryce are looking at costs of getting the parking lot lines painted.

Christian Education Team- Pat Frazier

VBS is being considered for this summer.

School closings will no longer affect church activities. Church activities will only be impacted as a result of weather conditions.

Topics for summer Sunday School are being considered.

Hospitality and Communications Team- Sharon Hammel

Beth Burns has joined the team. Easter flowers were ordered. An Easter activity was held for families on March 24th. Baby dedications will be held May 16th. Graduate recognition will be held June 6th following the church service. A summer splash is being planned for July 17th. The team is discussing a ministry of gratitude for the church.

Missions and Service Team-

The current leader has resigned and we are actively seeking a new team leader. Outreach will be handled by Finance and Facility for the time being.

Worship Team-Terry Hershberger

Love Feast and a Tenebrae service was planned during the Lenten season. Choir has resumed.

Deacon's report- Krista Snyder

A meeting and prayer gathering was held March 21. The Deacons will be helping with upcoming baptisms. The Deacons assisted with Love Feast and the Tenebrae service.

Pastor's report- Dave Crumrine

No new information to report

Other information:

Dan Hammel has assumed the role of moderator.

Discussions about a church picnic and Rally Day have occurred.

The next board meeting will be held on April 27th at 6:30pm.



Those Serving in May

Greeters

Deacon Greeters

Candlelighter

Kaye Russell

Men's Fellowship

May	2	9	16	23	30
Organist		Barb Wineland	Cathy Petre	Barb Wineland	Cathy Petre
Pianist	Brenda Fluke-Garber	Cathy Neal	Cathy Neal	Cathy Petre	Terry Hershberger
Storyteller		Pattie Conlon			
Welcome Center	Jane Brumbaugh	Carol Emerick	Willow Miller	Darlene Wyland	Nancy Forshey
Worship Leader					
Children's Church		Not held		Not held	
Flowers	Honor of parents by Fred & Arlene Beers	Honor of Mothers	Memory of Nancy Hoover by Family		
Bulletins		Memory of Margaret Imes by her family			
Parking Lot Greeters	Dan Hammel Don Bookhammer	Justin Keith	Earl Bryson		



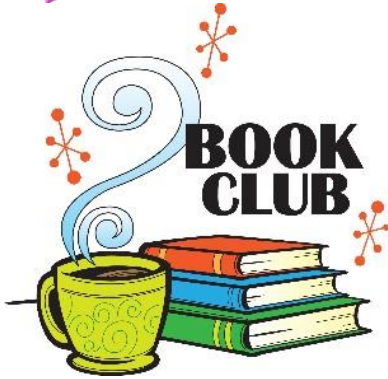
WELCOME
to Our Newest Members!

On Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021, we received into membership:

- Bobbi Beers
- Ben Beers
- Sandy Burket
- Kaylee Keith
- Michael Pollard
- Cathie Pollard
- Julie Myers

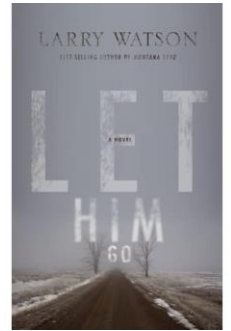
Due to current CDC guidelines we were unable to have a reception so please, when you see them, introduce yourself and extend to them the hospitality First Church is known for.

Announcements and Information



Let Him Go by Larry Watson

Dalton, North Dakota. It's September 1951: years since George and Margaret Blackledge lost their son when he was thrown from a horse; months since his widow left with their only grandson and married another man. Margaret is resolved to find and retrieve her beloved grandson, while George, a retired sheriff, is none too eager to stir up trouble.



Unable to sway his wife from her mission, George takes to the road with Margaret by his side, traveling through the Badlands to Montana. But when Margaret tries to bring little Jimmy home, the Blackledges find themselves entangled with the Weboy clan, who are determined not to give up the boy without a fight.

Dear Members, We at the Martinsburg Food Pantry, appreciate your kindness and generous contribution of \$170! Our sincere thanks in helping those in need, especially at this Covid-19 crisis. It means a lot! God's blessings, Linda K. Smith

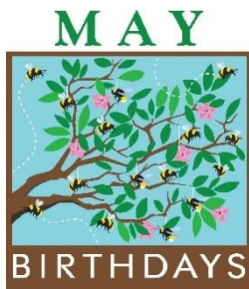


Sunday, May 16th **Senior High Youth** will have a luncheon and then Pastor Dave will have a discussion on Ways to Study the Bible. We will start following Sunday School and be done by 2:00.

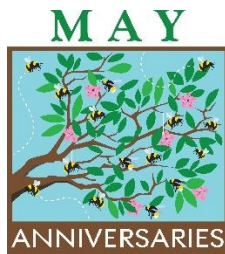
A graduate information form was put into mailboxes or mailed to all known high school seniors asking for information to share in our June Newsletter about their graduation. Anyone else who has graduate from a college or university or a course of study since July 2020, is welcome to submit that information to the office for inclusion in the June Newsletter also.



High School graduates from 2020 and 2021 are invited to a Graduate Celebration that will be held on Sunday, May 23rd at 5:30 am. Location yet to be announced. For planning purposes, you must RSVP to Sharon Hammel no later than May 12th.



- 1 Fred Beers
- Jim Hoover
- Travis Wagner
- 6 Grant Avvampato
- 7 Cynthia Shaw
- Tommy Smith
- 9 Alex Nooyen
- 11 Christine Smith
- 13 Meghan May
- 14 Willow Miller
- Jean Eichelberger
- Abe Russell
- 17 Carter Keith
- 18 Ezekiel Walter
- 20 Rachel Brumbaugh
- Terry Hershberger
- Gino Montano
- Dawn Reilly
- 21 Jill Brumbaugh
- Ella Gartmann
- 22 Bill Grubb
- 24 Greg Smith
- Nittany Smith
- 25 Angie Russell
- 26 Bailey Musselman
- Stephanie Hershberger
- 27 Mattie May
- 28 Vincent Miller
- Jodie Dellinger
- 29 Zachary Croft
- 30 David Smith
- 31 Sharon Hammel



- 2 Dan & Carol Emerick
- 6 Dan & Jane Brumbaugh
- 10 Dave & Janis Loucks
- 23 Mitchell & Emma Frederick
- 29 Keith & Kristen Hall
- 31 Bryce & Amy Nooyen



Look ahead

“The spirit of complaint is born out of an unwillingness to trust God with today,” says Priscilla Shirer. “Like the Israelites, it means you are spending your time looking back toward Egypt or wishing for the future, all the while missing what God is doing right now.”

All of God’s people are ordinary people who have been made extraordinary by the purpose he has given them. —Oswald Chambers



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Just a reminder that there is a prayer box located at the back of the church sanctuary. You may have a prayer concern but are not comfortable making a public announcement. Just jot your prayer request down and place it in the box. The deacons will pray for your prayer request during their prayer gatherings.



Our service will include Child Dedications on May 16th. Contact Pastor Dave or the office if you would like to include your child(ren).



MAY 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9:25 AM Worship 10:30 AM Sunday School 11:45 AM Deacon Prayer	3 	4 9:30 AM Bible Study	5 9:00 AM Ladies Aid 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:30 PM Virtual Bible Study 6:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice	6 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	7	8 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast
9 Food Bank Collection 9:25 AM Worship 10:30 AM Sunday School Mother's Day	10 7:00 PM Deacon Executive Meeting 7:00 PM Disaster Response Meeting	11 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM RS Ministerium 7:00 PM Good Grief	12 9:00 AM Ladies Aid 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:30 PM Virtual Bible Study 6:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice	13 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	14 1:00 PM Newsletter Submissions due in office	15 8:00 AM Sisters of Faith
16 Junior Youth Activity 9:25 AM Worship 10:30 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Deacon Meeting & Prayer 11:30 AM Senior Youth event	17 10:00 AM Book Group	18 9:30 AM Bible Study	19 9:00 AM Ladies Aid 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:30 PM Virtual Bible Study 6:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice	20 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	21	22
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30 9:25 AM Worship 10:30 AM Sunday School	31 Office Closed	Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step. —Martin Luther King Jr.				

"If you find it in your heart to care for somebody else, you will have succeeded."
—Maya Angelou

"Dripping water hollows out stone, not through force but through persistence."
—Ovid

"If at first you don't succeed, try doing it the way mom told you to in the beginning."
—Unknown

"Being a mother is learning about strengths you didn't know you had."
—Linda Wooten

"Mothers write on the hearts of their children what the world's rough hand cannot erase."
—Author unknown



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