



Brethren Highlights

For members and friends of the Lancaster Church of the Brethren

December, 2010

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY SERVICE

Someone is coming! Want to know who? Join us on Friday, December 24 at 5:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center for our Christmas Eve Family Service and find out! Our children will be providing some lovely music to welcome our guest and we're all going to have a great time preparing a place. Come and see who's coming to visit!

CHRISTMAS RECITAL & CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

On Christmas Eve in the Sanctuary, we continue our annual tradition of the gentle, contemplative service known as the "Festival of Lessons and Carols." This service combines readings from scripture with choral anthems and congregational carols. This year, we will also welcome special guests Jill Marchione, oboe and Sally Hart, violin, to perform three carols with the choir.

It is a time to set aside the hectic pace of our lives during this busy season, and meditate on the true meaning of Christmas. The service concludes with the congregational singing of "Silent Night", as each person raises his or her candle to symbolize the light of Christ spreading throughout the world.

The service begins at 7:00 p.m., but please plan to come early! At 6:30 p.m., we will also continue our annual tradition of the Christmas Recital, in which the talented musicians of our congregation present music celebrating Christmas and the Christ Child. We are so blessed by the musical talent in our church - come let them bless you with their gifts during this holy season!



Lancaster Church of the Brethren is a working, worshipping, learning Christian community, open and accepting without discrimination or force in matters of belief and practice.

WHITE GIFT OFFERING

White gifts are given to the poor
So open your hearts and give some more
The Sunday before Christmas is the date
So wrap up your groceries and don't be late!
Gifts should be wrapped in white tissue for the morning services on Dec.19th.

WHEN IS THE CHRISTMAS CONCERT???

In the harsh winter of 2009, our popular Starlight Tea Christmas Concert had a "snow delay" until early January, and we found that both the audience and musicians seemed to like that better! So, we're trying that date again, for our new **Starlight Tea Epiphany Concert**. The concert will be held **Sunday, January 9, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Sanctuary.

We'll take one last look at favorites from Advent and Christmas, and then move into the season of Epiphany. The concert will feature our Chancel Choir, Carillon Bell Choir, soloists and instrumentalists in works by Paul Manz, Simon Andrews, John Rutter and more. Featured will be the stunning opening chorus from J. S. Bach's cantata, *How Brightly Shines the Morning Star* - the "Epiphany Chorale."

The concert will also feature two anthems with a multicultural flavor: *Hope for Resolution*, arranged by Paul Caldwell and Sean Ivory, combines the Advent chant *Of the Father's Love Begotten* with a Zulu freedom song proclaiming God's presence with us, and *The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy*, a West Indian carol, is set in a toe-tapping arrangement by Stephen Hatfield.

As always, our holiday concert will end with the **Starlight Tea**, with homemade cookies by the baking members of our congregation. Be sure to join us for this event which ends the Christmas season and begins the New Year!

SERVING THIS MONTH

GREETERS

7:40 AM Deb and Chuck Neslund
8:40 AM Ruth and Glenn Shultz
8:40 AM Gay and Steve Polanskey
9:50 AM Donna and Doug Lunger
9:50 AM Shirley and Calvin Wenger
11:15 AM Melode and Mark Forsha

USHERS

CHAPEL SERVICE 8:00 A.M.

Jerry Brown Jere Tankesley

SANCTUARY SERVICE 10:15 A.M.

*Greg Hughes John Biemiller Bob Hopple
John Lines Doug Lunger Barb Morrow
Russ Morrow Mark Smith

CHURCH LIBRARY

Staffed Sunday 9:45-10:15 A.M.

Members of the Committee

VAN INFORMATION

Anyone wishing transportation to Sunday morning worship services, please contact:

Bob Gish – 560-6767

ACOLYTES

Week 1: Drew Smith
Week 2: Grant Turkki
Week 3: Andrew Lines
Week 4: Eric Snyder

HOW TO GET PUBLISHED!

If you are interested in submitting an article or letter, here's how to do it!

1. The deadline is the 10th of every month.
2. If submissions are emailed, the deadline is the 11th. ***Electronically submitted is best!***
3. Email to **both** the editor and the church office for safety. csgraham618@comcast.net
4. Please do not extensively format emailed submissions. Simple paragraph form is best. No bullet points, graphics, etc. An attached file must be in a *Word* document.
5. Mail any submissions to the church office, attention Peggy Bush, **NOT** to the editor's home.
6. Use the newsletter folder in the office to submit any written or typed submissions.

ATTENDANCE

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| October 24 | 313 |
| October 31 | 351 |
| November 7 | 374 |
| November 14 | 373 |
| November 21 | 325 |

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You never know when you're going to run into an angel, although I guess we should have expected it. After all, Dan the Man's Barbeque over on James Street has two big ones, painted on either side of the door. Mary Ellen and I stopped by on a recent Saturday, while Dan and his wife were preparing to open for the day. Dan the Man is a large black man with a twinkle in his eye and a booming voice that leaves no doubt about his twin passions: barbeque and Jesus! Like Mary Ellen and me, Dan and his wife are from the South, and the food and the hospitality remind us of our Mississippi roots. They even serve collard greens! Likewise, the atmosphere is permeated with that Southern Gospel flavor that is present in the speech, the Bible verses on the wall, even the dress – Dan's hat read, "God is Good All the Time."

We shared with them that Mary Ellen's mother had recently died in Mississippi, and Dan's response was in the cadence of a Southern preacher: "Hallelujah! She has gone to glory!" His wife chimed in, "Praise God, she's gone home!" We talked about her long life, and they blessed us with their celebration of her life and her faith. As we took our leave, I noted the tears in Mary Ellen's eyes and knew that Dan's blessing was just what she needed to hear. She misses her Mama, but we are united with Dan in the hope that we will meet again on a fairer shore, "in the sweet by and by."

December always brings a sad milestone for those who have suffered loss of a loved one in the past year: the first Christmas without them. If you, like us, are part of that group, may God bless you with fond memories and gratitude for the lives they lived! It's OK to be sad. We all miss our loved ones who have left this earth. But may we also have a holiday that is filled with the joy of the lives we lead now and of the friends and loved ones we still share.

And... don't forget to sing! The Christian faith is filled with singing, but most of all at Christmas time. I've shared before how Christmas comes to me every year when I first sing the last verse of "O Come, All Ye Faithful." You know the one – it starts, "Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning!" What's your favorite? What memories are tied to the Christmas songs you love? It doesn't matter if you aren't a good singer – SING ANYWAY! Have a blessed Christmas! Emery DeWitt

THINKING OF COLLEGE? TAKE A LOOK AT ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE!

If you are a high school junior or senior member of this church and thinking of college, there are several important reasons to take a close look at Elizabethtown College. Yes, it is nearby, but this gives the opportunity to consider either residential or commuting options. Many area students have discovered that the residential experience at even a local college can be "a world away".

As a member of the Church of the Brethren, there are thousands of dollars of financial aid awaiting you annually at Elizabethtown College (financial aid to Brethren students is also available at the other colleges founded by the Church of the Brethren).

In addition, there is currently a Scholarship available only to students from Lancaster Church of the Brethren attending Elizabethtown College. This Scholarship is worth up to \$2,000 annually and is administered by the College's Financial Aid Office. The Lancaster Church of the Brethren Scholarship at Elizabethtown College was made possible by the generous contributions from alumni of the College who are members at this Church and interested in supporting our youth when attending Etown College.

For questions or assistance with the application contact – David Hosler – 575-5382 – dave@hoslerfamily.net

CONGREGATIONAL BUSINESS MEETING

A Celebration of Ministries

After a delicious Soup & Salad Lunch provided by the youth of the church (raising \$1,107 for future work camp and conference projects) the October 24, 2010 church business meeting celebrated the ministries of the church with a slide presentation by Donald Dotterer. Reports were given by the pastors, Director of Music, Executive Committee, Deacon Body, all the Ministry Teams, and the Treasurer. We heard reported by...

...the treasurer that we continue to meet expenses since we are operating under budget. Our giving continues to equal last year with hopes to finish strong at the end of the year in order to meet our Outreach Challenges.

...our Pastor of Children and Youth that 17 youth and 3 advisors attended National Youth Conference in Colorado Springs, CO this past August.

...the assistant chair of Property Ministry Team of the ongoing study of how we can best heat and cool our facility more efficiently with geothermal. A proposal in the near future to the congregation is anticipated.

...the chair of Traditional Worship Ministry Team of the Sanctuary Instrument fund that is nearing \$89,000 and also of a future proposal to make modest changes to the sanctuary.

...the chair of Communications Ministry Team that church-provided subscriptions to *Messenger* expire in April 2011. The group renewal rate will be offered in February of 2011, to anyone wishing to renew their subscription.

The congregation approved the Plan of Ministry budget for 2011, totaling \$783,235. This represents no increase over 2010 and was accomplished by having each ministry team budget nearer expenses. By doing this, no programmed ministries of the church were affected. This budget does have an additional \$17,246 as an outreach challenge.

Approved were the renewal of License to Christian Ministry for John Breidenstine, J. Curtis Dehme and Jennifer Hess.

The congregations affirmed the following: Church Secretary (3 yr), Barbara Morrow; Church Board, Property Ministry Chair (3 yr), Doug Lunger; Traditional Worship Ministry Chair (3 yr), Gene Mummau; Stewardship Ministry Assist. Chair (3yr), Doug Diehm; and Hospitality Ministry Assist. Chair (3 yr), Earl Williams; Deacon Body Chair (3 yr), Shirley Wenger; Annual Conference Delegates 2011, Ellen Weaver and Jay Wenger; District Conference Delegates 2011, Russell Adsitt, Allen Hansell, Jeff Rill, Guy Wampler, Calvin Wenger and Jay Wenger; Pastoral Relations (3 yr), Mark Forsha; Auditor (3 yr), Judy Witmer; Leadership Search (3 yr) Suzanne Schaudel and Joyce Bohn.

Thanks were extended to the following who are leaving their positions: Cindy Shuman, Church Secretary; Mark Forsha, Traditional Worship Ministry Chair; Chuck Neslund, Property Ministry Chair; Galen Miley, Auditor; Clem Rosenberger, Pastoral Relations; and Rich Bohn, Leadership Search.

Strategic Planning reported that a publication of Brethren beliefs and practices will have 20 writers and will be edited by Guy Wampler. When published, each family as well as new members will receive a copy.

LEND AN EAR

Do you enjoy working with children?

If so, the Education Ministry Team has an opportunity just for you! We have started a community outreach initiative focused on providing volunteers for a neighborhood school.

Brecht Elementary School in the Manheim Township School District is in need of volunteers to listen to students read. It can be any day of the week, at any hour during the school day, for as little as an hour. Volunteers would be given a brief training but all you need is a listening ear and a caring heart!

Anyone interested in volunteering, please contact Gail Murray @ 293-8074. Please consider giving some of your time to this worthwhile initiative!

CONGREGATIONAL MESSAGES

I would like to thank the church family for their prayers and concerns during my recent hospital stay. Also to Pastor Rill for his visits.

Barry Wilson

Dear Pastor Rill, Pastor Shreckhise, Prayer Breakfast, and Church family,

Please accept this note as my sincere appreciation for the many visits, prayers and concerns during my recent hospitalization. God really does answer prayer and I am living proof to show it.

Sincerely,
Darlene Williams

Thank you so much for your support of cards, prayers, food, flowers and telephone calls as I was recuperating from back surgery. Thanks to Pastors Rill and Shreckhise for conducting a most meaningful anointing service. For those who attended that service, I give thanks for the awesome support I felt from them. God has blessed Rich and me with a loving church family for which we are very grateful.

Sincerely,
Joyce Bohn

Thank you for the condolences expressed to my family and me following the recent passing of my mother, Millie Armstrong. The support of our church family gave us comfort during this difficult time. A special thank you to Calvin and Shirley Wenger for visiting with the family and to Jeff Rill for conducting the memorial service.

Donna Hernandez

Thank you to all my friends at Lancaster Church of the Brethren for their prayers, cards and good wishes during and after my recent hospitalization. For the second time in three months you have blessed and sustained me. I am so grateful. Peace to you all,

Caroline Hagen

A big thank you to the pastors, prayer group and members of the church for your visits, letter and cards to my mother. She is presently at Pleasant View but wants to return to Brethren Village. She's improving slowly.

Brenda Smith
(daughter of Orpha Bauer)

PS – Please send mail to: 1710 Shumaker Road,
Manheim, PA 17545

The School District of Lancaster's Homeless Student Project must thank you and all the members of your church who donated 750 pieces of school uniforms at the start of this school year. A very special thank you to Lois and Allen Hansell who coordinated this huge project and assisted in the delivery to our office at Carter and MacRae School on August 26.

With the downturn in the economy, more homeless students are being referred to our office. Last school year, we served over 1,000 homeless students and tracked 924. It is only through the combined efforts of many generous donors like Lancaster Church of the Brethren that we are able to serve this huge number of students.

On behalf of the hundreds of homeless students you served with this recent contribution, please accept my sincere words of appreciation.

Sincerely yours,
Ken Marzinko ACSW
Homeless Student Project Facilitator

Praise Kidz!

Praise Kidz sends a heart felt thanks to all those who participated in Operation Christmas Child. Together we were able to pack 46 shoe boxes full of toys and hygiene items for needy children around the world! Praise God!

WHERE ARE YOU, GOD? A PRAYER

Where are you, God?
You are with me. I have everything I need.
You are with her. She has only one dollar for
today.

Where are you, God?
You are with me. My stomach is full of good food.
You are with them. They are hungry—they
have only a little corn to eat all day today.

Where are you, God?
You are with me. I have healthy children.
You are with her. Her baby just died in childbirth
and she is sick.

Where are you, God?
You are with me. I am educated. I can read and
write and teach.
You are with her. She hasn't had the opportunity
to learn,
to read or write or be a teacher.

Where are you, God?
You are with me. In spite of feeling ill from time to
time, I am healthy.
You are with her. She is dying of AIDS.

Loving God, you are with us all. We are all your
Beloved, aren't we?

So what can I possibly do to help and serve her?

Compassionate God, instill compassion in me.
Passionate God, instill passion in me.
Holy Spirit, open my eyes to see Christ in her.

Lead me to love her, to advocate for her, to pray
for her, to serve her,
to give enough to help make her life better.
Amen.

The Hunger and Poverty Team is studying
*Reflections, No More Excuses: Confronting
Poverty*—published by Yale Divinity School. This
month, we share the above prayer by Leslee Diane
Sandberg, from *Lifting Women's Voices: Prayers to
Change the World*, 2009 Morehouse Publishing.

MORE THAN ENOUGH...

"Don't be afraid," Jesus tells us this over and
over. God and His messengers also tell us *"Fear
Not"*. Why do we need continual reassurance?
Because following Jesus and walking a path of
discipleship occasionally gets scary. God pushes us
out of our comfort zones, asking us to do new
tasks, to see new things and — most scary of all —
to look inside ourselves, change our ways of life
and change our hearts.

Fear keeps many of us from growing as
disciples of Christ. If we let fear dictate our lives,
we'd probably never read scripture in front of the
congregation, never visit a severely injured church
member, never stand up against injustice, never
reach out to the suffering. All these things can be
scary at first.

In the same way, fear is a key barrier to
generous financial giving. We fear we won't have
enough if we give generously. We fear God won't
provide enough for all our wants and needs.

Fear is a normal part of our faith life. It helps
us move beyond our perceived limits. We grow
best by facing fear — and then moving beyond it.
When fear paralyzes us, we stay where we are and
do not grow.

If we want to learn to give generously, we
need to serve in situations where we experience a
little fear, someplace outside of our comfort zone.
As we learn to trust God in small situations, we will
trust God with our finances, too.

So, if you have not yet pledged your support to
the 2011 Plan of Ministry, it is not too late. Pledge
cards are available in the Gathering Area or church
office. Let us hear the words of Jesus reassuring
us:

"Do not be afraid."

excerpts: [http://www.albertasynod.ca/
stewardship/bulletin_inserts](http://www.albertasynod.ca/stewardship/bulletin_inserts). . . SMT

December PMT Energy Tip – When you replace
your toilet insist on a water saving
toilet.





TAKE BACK CHRISTMAS

Have you ever asked your children, spouse, parents or friend what they wanted for Christmas? And in turn, did they ask you the same thing? Do we then start trying to think of something we want and don't have? We get caught up in what we don't have and sort of imagine what things that we might need or want.

The Christmas season actually seems to make it worse. When we are asked to come up with things we don't need so that people will know what to get us, it seems counterproductive to the meaning of Christmas. We forget that most people we know have many things, but we buy them more because it's Christmas.

Why not bring back the real reason for the season? At Christmas we celebrate a gift of immeasurable worth. In giving us Jesus, God has given us everything: life and hope, salvation and deliverance, joy and peace. Our response can only be to give in return — to God, to one another, to the furtherance of justice, to the cause of peace, to the betterment of the world.

Instead of wracking our brains to think of something that we don't need, let's find out what others really do need. This season can be a time of great spiritual openness as people get in touch with their hunger for something substantial. Often it takes very little to make a big difference in the world. Resist the tide of commercialism and take back Christmas.

http://www.albertasynod.ca/stewardship/bulletin_inserts SMT

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Six-hundred hygiene kits were taken to New Windsor after the fall kit assembly on Sunday, October 31. The hygiene kit team consists of: John and Sue Groff who provide and **unzip** 600 bags; Lynn and Lynne Shively who take the kits to New Windsor; Keith and Marilyn Hummel who order and pick up the soap, washcloths, tooth brushes, band aids and combs; Lenny Lambert who orders and brings towels and clippers; George Harmes who sets up the tables in the FLC and the Friday Work Group who prepares the supplies (Russ and Linda Adsitt, Grace Cox, Bonnie Frick, Lynne Shively and the Hummels).

This year, 1850 kits were made for Church World Service due to all who contributed funds and stayed after the service on 3 Sundays to assemble kits. A donation of \$4.70 is needed to make one kit. The 1850 kits made in 2010 required donations totaling \$8,695.00. To help purchase items for the next assembly, make checks payable to LCOB. Write "Hygiene Kits" on your check and envelope and place it in the offering plate. If you have any suggestions or questions, please contact Keith or Marilyn Hummel at 295-9121.



A big thank you to all who made a donation and assisted at the November Brethren Village Birthday/Anniversary Party. You helped to make an enjoyable afternoon for these special people who will not soon forget the good food and great entertainment.

Please support the annual CHRISTMAS COOKIE AND CRAFT SALE at Brethren Village sponsored by the BV Auxiliary. Come to Wolfe Auditorium in the Welcome Center on Friday, December 3rd from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. or Saturday, December 4th from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The cookie cost is \$4.00 per pound. Anyone donating cookies should take them to BV anytime the week of November 29th or Friday, December 3rd before 9:00 a.m. If you take cookies early in the week, take them to the Volunteer Services Office or to the Reception Desk. Follow the signs to these locations. If you have questions, please contact Marilyn Hummel at: 295-9121.

Brethren Village Key Person for LCOB 7
Marilyn Hummel



LIBRARY LINES HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL- AND TO ALL A GOOD YEAR!

Greetings from your Library Committee

If you have not checked out a book from the Library lately, maybe now is a good time to think about doing just that! You will find a generous display of Christmas Books for both children and adults in the Gathering Place. Books on the Birth of Jesus; Books on the Wise Men; Books about celebrations of this festive season! Come to the Library and be inspired - and bring the children along - they will probably see a book they would like. You will also find some DVDs of past Christmas dramas in our church - what fun to take one home and relive the excitement!

On a different note - there are several books missing from the Library. Please check your book shelves to see if you have forgotten to return a book and inadvertently added it to your personal "library"! Among the missing are the books written by Curtis Dubble and Alisa Bair. Returning any forgotten books would be a wonderful Christmas Gift to the Library!! Thank you!

Another Christmas Gift to the Library would be suggestions for titles you would like to see - we are always eager to add some new books!



HOMEBUILDERS Annual

Christmas Dinner – December 4 at noon at Gus's Keystone Family Restaurant in Mount Joy. Contact Grace Glasmire with any questions.

CLIMBERS' CORNER

Saturday, December 11 will be our annual Caroling event. We will meet at Wenger's office parking lot at 4:45 p.m., where we will board a bus and travel to homes to visit and share some Christmas Carols. Afterwards, we will return to Calvin and Shirley Wenger's home for refreshments.

Please bring peanut butter, jelly, and cereal for the LCCC Food Bank.

Looking ahead to the New Year, consider Brunch at Loxleys on Sunday, January 16 at 11:45 a.m.



NEWS FROM ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE

Did you know?

There is a new Writer's House on campus which hosts poets and novelists and provides different experiences in writing from regular classroom activities.

For the past five years during Spring Break an average of 30 students have participated in service project trips to Mississippi (for Katrina relief work), Kentucky, Puerto Rico and Los Angeles, California.

On two of these trips an anonymous donor in the Atlanta airport provided money for an overnight stay in the hotel for the students when their plane was delayed because of weather conditions and that while in Los Angeles another anonymous donor bought the students dinner at a restaurant. Both gifts were to express gratitude to the students for volunteering their time to help others.

Although the cost for one year at the College is above \$41,000 the average college debt following graduation is \$24,000.

Youth groups as well as adult groups are encouraged and welcome to tour the Young Center for Anabaptist/Pietist studies.

International students at the College would welcome invitations to homes for the holidays.

L. Gene Bucher,

Congregational Representative to the College

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



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| 1 | Renea Snyder | 18 | Floyd Montgomery |
| 3 | Clair Greiner | | Flossie Mellinger |
| 4 | Ellen Weaver | | Ashley Wenger |
| | Tom Wolf | | Carol Graham |
| | Dorothy Jacoby | | Marvin Harnish |
| 5 | Amy Wiggins | 19 | Gene Koser |
| | Carol Kramer | 21 | Sarah Shreckhise |
| | Dolores Leonard | | Deb Neslund |
| 8 | Peggy Bates | 23 | Pat Shreckhise |
| | David Bowman | 25 | Fred Kreider |
| 10 | Nicole Putt | 26 | Ray Leckrone |
| 11 | Shane Heck | 27 | Ryan Bookman |
| | Harry Coble | 28 | Alex Truit |
| | Jack Wilson | 29 | George Murray |
| 13 | Judith Gible Kipp | 30 | Mark Frace |
| 14 | Doug Deihm | | Jared St. John |
| 15 | Brenda Stout | | Allen Mellinger |
| 17 | Jean Deemer | | |

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPTIONS

December 2010

9:00 – 9:45 Sunday Mornings

*Note: on December 26 there will be no Adult Sunday School classes. Instead, we will hold the traditional Christmas **Meet and Greet** in the Gathering Area. Come enjoy special treats and conversation with friends - and make new friends.*

The following classes are open to everyone. All are invited.

Even though these groups are "ongoing," they are always looking for new members!

The Chapel Bible Study Group, led by Calvin Wenger, meets in the Chapel. They are currently immersed in an intensive study of the New Testament. In December they will be continuing their study of the Gospel of *John*.

The Thoughtful Life Class, meeting in Rooms 162-163, features stimulating resource persons who lead discussions in a variety of topics. Topics for December are:

December 5 – *Advent on Wings of Music*. Speaker, **Nancy Faus-Mullen**.

December 12 – *Advent on Wings of Art*. Speaker TBA.

December 19 – *Advent on Wings of Hope, from the Perspective of the Third World*. Speaker, Rev. Daniel Long.

December 26 – "*Meet and Greet*" in the Gathering Area (no Adult classes this morning).

This group likes to start early, about 8:55, so plan to arrive on time.

The One Another Class, coordinated by Linda Husted, meets in Pastor Rill's office. In December they will continue their study of Richard Foster's book, *Celebration of Disciplines*. Although the group is small, they welcome anyone interested in joining their discussions.

The Nesters Bible Study Group, meeting in Room 170, explores the basics of faith through Bible study. In December the class will be continuing their study of Corinthians using a study guide. No materials are required, but you are encouraged to bring your Bible. Discussions are casual and leisurely, and anyone is free to join in at any point. Contact Todd Bookman at bookert@gmail.com if you have any questions or concerns.

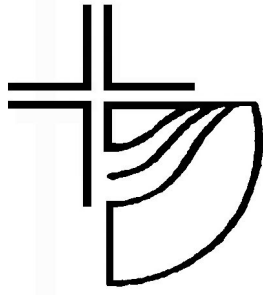
The young adult group "J.U.M.P." (Jesus, use me please!) meets mostly Monday evenings. For details, contact Megan.eldredge@gmail.com or 717-250-6713.

PRAYER BREAKFAST—25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION ON JANUARY 15

The Wednesday Morning Prayer Breakfast at Lancaster Church of the Brethren began January 15, 1986 with 16 worshipers on an 8 degree morning. This initiative was the inspiration of David Hosler and T. Norwood (Woody) Herr.

On Saturday morning, January 15, 2011 there will be a 25th Anniversary Prayer Breakfast held in the Family Life Center at 8:00 am for breakfast \ 8:30 am for prayers and meditations. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. While midweek, early mornings may not be possible for some, a Saturday morning is usually suitable for everyone. The program is expected to last about 50 minutes.

The hot breakfast will be catered, so we need to have a fairly accurate count for planning and caterer guarantee purposes. Please contact the Church Office and simply give your name and the number of people expected to attend with you.



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**LANCASTER CHURCH
OF
THE BRETHREN**

VISION STATEMENT

To be and make disciples of Christ for
the transformation of the world.

MISSION STATEMENT

To be the heart, hands, feet, voice, and
mind of Christ locally and globally.

GOALS

Radical Hospitality
Passionate Worship
Intentional Faith Development
Risk-Taking Mission and Service
Extravagant Generosity

(Adopted by the Lancaster Church of the Brethren, 10/07)

**SUNDAY
WORSHIP SERVICES**

8:00 a.m. Chapel
9:00 a.m. Family Life Center
10:15 a.m. Family Life Center
10:15 a.m. Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. Maranatha

Sunday School

9:00 a.m.

The deadline for the January
issue is December 10, 2010.

**Brethren Highlights
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