

# Brethren Highlights

*For members and friends of the Lancaster Church of the Brethren*

*November, 2011*

## STARLIGHT TEA

### Organ Dedication Concert

On **Sunday, November 13 at 7:00 pm**, sanctuary organist **Margaret Marsch** will perform our **Organ Dedication Concert** as part of the Starlight Tea Concert Series. The recent upgrades to our sanctuary organ have genuinely taken the instrument to a new, much higher level of performance and sound. Who better to inaugurate the new instrument than our own beloved Margaret Marsch, who so consistently delights us with her artistry and imaginative programming!



**Margaret Marsch**

Margaret is a graduate in Sacred Music/Organ from Moody Bible Institute (Chicago) and Westminster Choir College (Princeton, NJ). Widely admired as a recitalist, her performances have included appearances at Washington National Cathedral, The White House, The Forum in Harrisburg, and Bruton Parish of Williamsburg, Virginia.

The recent organ enhancement, performed by Buch Church Organ Company, supplemented our superb existing pipework (by Gundling) to include a wide range of digital voices from Walker Digital Organ, and a new three-manual console (also from Walker). The result has been a seamless integration of pipe and digital sounds, with a wide variety of new solo voices and a deeper, richer sound to accompany hymn singing.

The organ project was made possible by the generous donations of member of our congregation, resulting in an instrument that will thrill and delight worshippers for decades to come. Please plan to attend this celebration of our new organ! As with all Starlight Tea concerts, admission is free, with a free-will

## THANK YOU CAROL GRAHAM!

Our Brethren Highlights editor, Carol Graham, has retired from her role as the Editor of our monthly newsletter. Carol accepted this position in 1997. For the last 14 years she has done a wonderful job with organizing and arranging articles for our newsletter. Carol provided excellent support and guidance for people who submitted articles. She would encourage us to meet monthly deadline dates so the newsletter would meet our distribution deadline. Our new editor is church administrator, Tiffany Dickel. When you see Carol please thank her for being our newsletter editor during the last 14 years. A job well done!



Ken Harnish, Communications Chairperson

## HOMEBUILDERS PRESENTS...

Homebuilders are sponsoring "Wild Moments with Jack Hubley" on Saturday, November 5, at 2:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. In addition to the Climbers being invited, it was decided to invite the church members at large.

There will be plenty of room, and it will be an interesting program. Tickets will not be needed but contributions will be greatly appreciated. Reservations are required and can be made by contacting Grace Glasmire at 569-5126.



**Jack Hubley**



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# SERVING THIS MONTH

## GREETERS

7:40 a.m. Barb and Fred Kreider  
 8:40 a.m. Lenny Lambert  
 8:40 a.m. Pat and Glenn Breidenstine  
 9:50 a.m. Rachel and Mo Salamh  
 9:50 a.m. Eileen Weaver and Bob Hopple  
 11:15 a.m. Fern and Gene Bucher



## USHERS

**CHAPEL SERVICE 8:00 a.m.**  
 Jay Enders Don King

### **SANCTUARY SERVICE 10:15 a.m.**

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

## CHURCH LIBRARY

**Staffed Sunday 9:45—10:15 a.m.**



Burnetta Graham

## ACOLYTES

Week 1: Drew Smith  
 Week 2: Jack Smith  
 Week 3: Andrew Lines  
 Week 4: Eric Snyder  
 Week 5: Grant Turkki



## VAN INFORMATION

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



Shirley Gish

## ATTENDANCE

September 25	346
October 2	335
October 9	332
October 16	332

## DIRECTORY CHANGES

**New Address:**  
 Linda Sue Ross  
 1515 Esbenshade Rd.  
 Lancaster, PA 17601  
 560-5670

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Flo Wilson     | 15 Linda Harnish         | 26 Carol Shearer     |
| Jenny Haines     | 18 Carly Nace            | John Martin          |
| 2 Diane Myers    | 19 Wilbur Graham         | 27 Deb Chillas       |
| 3 Brad Ditzler   | 20 John Biemiller        | Lois Hansell         |
| Will Stout       | Miriam Longenecker       | 29 Rich Shulenberger |
| 5 Dee Zimmerman  | 21 Dave Evans            |                      |
| Paul Groff       | Andrew Lines             |                      |
| Dale Hylton      | Darlene Williams         |                      |
| 8 Gina Brown     | Jack Weiler              |                      |
| Ruth Shultz      | 22 Nick Hughes           |                      |
| 10 Jim Weaver    | Brooke Smith             |                      |
| 12 Lauren Shafer | 23 Chuck Neslund         |                      |
| Paige Keim       | Dick Kramer              |                      |
| 13 Tim Heck      | Candee Nace              |                      |
| Eileen Weaver    | 24 Jon Bridgeman (child) |                      |
| 14 Tyler Heck    | 25 Aaron Breidenstine    |                      |
| Roy Garland      | Al Hansell               |                      |
| Gloria Groff     | Coretta Wiker            |                      |
| John Zimmerman   |                          |                      |



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Linda Byers

Can you feel it in the air? This time of year I really notice the change in the atmosphere. The air is a little crisper. The sunlight is not as intense and outside colors seem more vivid. Rainy, cloudy days are cloaked with fog and the humidity of summer is now a cool moisture hanging in the air.

Can you feel it in the air? Change is coming. Are you looking forward to change? Have no doubt the weather will be changing. Are you getting ready? Do you have your leaves raked in piles and are you ready to discard them? One day, in the not so distant future, there will be this pure white blanket of new fallen snow covering the lawn.

What if I am not really talking about the change in the seasons of our earth but, the change in the season of our faith... Do you feel it in the air? I do. There is a lot of newness - new pastor, new ideas, new staff, new energy, new heating system, new recycling, new newsletter layout, new excitement.

Have you thought about discarding some of those crumbling decaying leaves of sin? (from Galatians 5:19-21, 26 - fighting, hard feelings, envy, jealousy, anger, selfish ambitions, dissensions) Are we ready to identify our sins - to collect them in piles in our mind so we can do the work to rid them from the lawn of our soul? I have seen those leaves in my own yard. The wind has

blown them into corners and trapped them under bushes. I feel so much better after I've gotten a rake in there and pulled them out. Those little sins I don't want to admit to can clutter my soul. Oh, more than likely - they will blow back there again if I don't keep after them. I have to take time to pray. I have to take the time to clean up the leaves of sin in my heart.

We have the chance to see the state of our faith, even the state of our church, with a new light, with a new vivid view. God offers us contentment and joy during and through any time of change (Galatians 5:22-23) but, to get there, to be prepared, it requires us to live and walk in the Spirit (Galatians 5:25)

Is there a fog or mist that we've been looking through where our faith is blurry and covers the clarity of God's voice and His will for our lives? There is a new fallen blanket of grace that can cover our soul. Do you see the snow as something that is just going to make more work for you or are you getting ready to use that snow to make a snowman? When we can see the snow as through the eyes of a child, isn't it much more exciting? It's the same snow, it's our perspective that changes with time and age. For sure, there may be more work to do to prepare for the coming season.

Is our atmosphere changing with this season of newness and are we preparing our hearts to welcome change?

Linda Byers, Interim Coord. Of Youth Ministries

## LIBRARY LINES - NOVEMBER 2011

This month we are introducing you to many new books! We received a generous monetary gift from Keith and Marilyn Hummel with which we were able to purchase four new books that are now available for takeout! So come to the Library and check them out. We will be featuring them on the shelves in the Gathering Place. And- a Big "Thank You" to Keith and Marilyn!

The new titles are:

1. *The Peace God Promises - Closing the Gap Between What You Experience and What you Long for* - by Ann Spangler.
2. *An Unquenchable Thirst - Following Mother Teresa in Search of Love, Service, and an Authentic Life* - by Mary Johnson
3. *The Future of Faith* - by Harvey Cox
4. *The Reason for God - Belief in an Age of Skepticism* - by Timothy Keller

Another donation to our Library comes from Claudia Kay Kirk, who has written a compelling story of her life as a Mail Lady and her thoughts on many topics. The title is: *Mail Lady of Paradise* - Don't miss this one!

Also new in the Library are: *25 Books Every Christian Should Read*, by Chris Webb; *The Pilgrim's Progress*, by John Bunyan; *Aging & Spirituality, The First Decade*, edited by James Ellor, Susan McFadden, and Stephen Sapp; and, *One World, One Family*, by Heifer International.

Wishing you thoughtful and happy reading, The Library Committee



# LANCASTER CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN – NOVEMBER, 2011 CALENDAR

## Worship Services:

8:00 AM	Morning Worship	Chapel
9:00 AM	Sunday School hour	Various Locations
9:00 AM /10:15 AM	Morning Psalm Worship	Family Life Center
10:15 AM	Praise Kidz	Room 162-163
10:15 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:15 AM	Maranatha – Bilingual Worship	Upper Room

### Wednesday, November 02, 2011

7:00AM	Room 162-3	Prayer Breakfast
5:00PM	Room 162-3	Praise Kidz Room Decorating
5:15PM	Choir Room	Carillon Bell Choir
5:15PM	FLC	WNL Meal
6:30PM	Choir Room	Carillon Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:30PM	Choir Room	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, November 04, 2011

3:30PM	Room 162-3	Girl Scouts - Troop #70451
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### Saturday, November 05, 2011

8:00AM	Room 162-3	Middle East Interest Group
2:00PM	FLC	Homebuilders - Jack Hubble

### Sunday, November 06, 2011

11:30AM	FLC	Bring a Friend Sunday Fall Hospitality Sunday Lunch
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### Monday, November 07, 2011

8:30AM	Room 162-3	TOPS
2:00PM	Room 162-3	Election Day set up
6:30PM	Chapel	Deacon Meeting
6:30PM	Room 170	Kitchen Committee Meeting
7:00PM	Room 221	TOPS

### Tuesday, November 08, 2011

7:00AM	Room 162-3	Election Day
1:00PM	G. Place	Greeting Card Committee
6:30PM	various locations	Ministry Team Meetings

### Wednesday, November 09, 2011

7:00AM	Room 162-3	Prayer Breakfast
5:00PM	Room 162-3	Praise Kidz Room Decorating
5:15PM	Choir Room	Carillon Bell Choir
5:15PM	FLC	WNL Meal
6:30PM	Choir Room	Carillon Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:30PM	Choir Room	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Saturday, November 12, 2011

12:00AM	FLC	Kids' Night Out
6:00PM		Climbers Banquet at Bird-In-Hand Restaurant

### Sunday, November 13, 2011

4:30PM	FLC	Meal Preceding Starlight Tea
7:00PM	Sanctuary	Starlight Tea - Organ Dedication Concert



**BRING A FRIEND  
TO CHURCH!  
NOVEMBER 6**



## NOVEMBER, 2011 CALENDAR

### Monday, November 14, 2011

8:30AM Room 162-3 TOPS  
7:00PM Room 221 TOPS

### Tuesday, November 15, 2011

6:30PM Room 162-3 Church Board Meeting

### Wednesday, November 16, 2011

7:00AM Room 162-3 Prayer Breakfast  
5:00PM Room 162-3 Praise Kidz Room Decorating  
5:15PM FLC WNL Meal  
6:30PM Choir Room Carillon Bell Choir Rehearsal  
7:30PM Choir Room Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, November 18, 2011

3:00PM FLC Red Rose Dinner Theater Set up  
3:30PM Room 162-3 Girl Scouts - Troop #7045  
5:00PM Sanctuary Wedding Rehearsal Peffley/Manosaine

### Saturday, November 19, 2011

8:30AM Room 170 LIPW Board  
5:00PM Sanctuary Wedding Peffley/Manosaine  
6:00PM FLC Red Rose Dinner Theater starts at 6

### Sunday, November 20, 2011

11:30AM FLC Soup and Salad  
11:30AM Kitchen Soup and Salad

### Monday, November 21, 2011

8:30AM Room 162-3 TOPS  
7:00PM Room 221 TOPS

### Wednesday, November 23, 2011

7:00AM Room 162-3 Prayer Breakfast  
5:00PM Room 162-3 Praise Kidz Room Decorating  
6:30PM Choir Room Carillon Bell Choir Rehearsal  
7:30PM Choir Room Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, November 25, 2011

9:00AM Kitchen Communion Bread Baking

### Monday, November 28, 2011

8:30AM Room 162-3 TOPS  
7:00PM Room 221 TOPS

### Wednesday, November 30, 2011

7:00AM Room 162-3 Prayer Breakfast  
5:00PM Room 162-3 Praise Kidz Room Decorating  
6:30PM Choir Room Carillon Bell Choir Rehearsal  
7:30PM Choir Room Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## NOVEMBER PMT ENERGY TIP

Consider energy-saving lights when you decorate this holiday season. Each string of LED (light-emitting diode) lights uses 80 percent less electricity than conventional incandescent holiday lighting. Each string costs less than a dollar a season to operate. In addition, they're made of tough materials and don't break easily.



## THANK YOU

*"We wish to thank the congregation for its thoughts and prayers during Jack's recent amputation, and his many days in the hospital and rehabilitation. We also wish to thank Pastor Rill, Pastor Shreckbise, Reverend Wenger, and the prayer breakfast members for their many uplifting and inspiring prayers. May the peace of Christ be with you all!"*

Jack and Billie Forsha

Thanks to everyone who helped at the Saturday afternoon Bingo on October 15 at Brethren Village. The BV residents very much appreciated you spending time with them.

-Brethren Village Key Person form  
LCoB, Marilyn Hummel

Dear Lancaster CoB,

I just wanted to send a note of thanks for the delicious bread and warm welcome that you brought to us this evening. It was a joy to visit a bit with Calvin Wenger, and to hear a bit of LCoB's ministry in our newly adopted neighborhood. It is such a good idea to visit folks who have just moved into the area. We wish you all of the Lord's blessings as you seek to be faithful to Him!

With sincere thanks,  
Nate & Jill Milton

## WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

All are invited to World Community Day, sponsored by Church Women United on Friday, November 4 at Grace United Church of Christ, 1947 New Holland Pike, Lancaster. Maureen Powers, Executive Director of Lancaster YWCA will speak on "Living Our Faith, Unlocking Action in our Neighborhood." Gifts from Ten Thousand Villages will be available.



9:30 – 10:00 Register

10:00 – 11:00 Worship

11:30 – 12:30 Luncheon & table discussions

There is a \$10.00 charge which covers the program and luncheon.

To register: Call Kim Shell at 892-2725 or Joyce Saeger 898-3185.

## KIDS' NIGHT

Saturday, November 12, longing for an Adult night out on the town? Here's your chance! Drop off your kids in the Family Life Center for a night of fun activities while you enjoy some time for yourself.

4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. • Family Life Center  
Children ages 3 years – 6th Grade

### Theme: Carnival

The night will be packed with activities including a moon bounce, and lots of carnival games and prizes. A hot dog dinner will be provided.

There is no fee. However, if you are able, a small donation would be appreciated.



Please contact **Lisa Miley** or **Jodi Yingling** by  
**Sunday, November 6 with your R.S.V.P.**

Friends are welcome too!

Lisa: 656-7936 or [lisa@deandesign.com](mailto:lisa@deandesign.com)  
Jodi: 495-2520 or [jodiyinpa@gmail.com](mailto:jodiyinpa@gmail.com)

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## BV BIRTHDAY PARTY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Once a year our church is responsible to have a birthday/anniversary party for the residents at Brethren Village. The following things are needed: Angel Food cakes (baked or purchased), Ice Cream Dixie Cups, party favors, table centerpieces, paper products and snacks. **Contributions of money would be greatly appreciated.** I also need people to help at the party on Tuesday afternoon December 6. Please call me at 295-9121 to let me know what you would be willing to donate and if you would be able to help at the party.

Thank you,

-Brethren Village Key Person LCoB,  
Marilyn Hummel

## CLIMBERS' CORNER

The annual banquet for the Climbers' Fellowship Group will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. in the Beechdale Room at the Bird-in-Hand Family Restaurant. The cost is \$25.00 per person, and checks payable to the "Climbers Fellowship Group" should be given to Dick Kramer (Box #75) no later than Sunday, November 6, 2011. The featured speaker will be LuAnn Wise from



Chicques Church of the Brethren whose topic will be, "Never Retire from God's Purpose." Climbers may bring canned potatoes, yams and/or cranberry sauce for the LCCC food bank.

## KIDNEY DONOR NEEDED

The 56 year old son of friends of Dick and Carol Kramer is in desperate need of a kidney replacement from a living donor. The need must be filled within the next two months. All expenses will be paid, including travel, room, food and any other hospital costs. Work would be performed at the University of Maryland Hospital in Baltimore. The desired donor age is 40, but very healthy individuals up to 70 could be considered. A blood type match is not required. Certain prescription medicines could prevent an interested donor from being considered. Additional information could be obtained from Amanda, the donor coordinator, at 410-328-4333 or Hugh and Patty Lovell, the man's parents, at 464-6389. Thank you for considering this request.



## POVERTY ON RISE

The lead article in the *Intell* on September 24, 2011 carried the headline—**Poverty on rise**. The staff writer, Tom Murse, wrote: “A total of 52,918 residents, or more than 1 in 10 here [Lancaster County], are now living below the poverty level, a threshold defined by the Office of Management and Budget as \$22,314 for a family of four.” This represents an increase of 5000 residents (nearly 11% “from 2009 to 2010.” “People are desperate,” said the Rev. Scott Fischer, executive director of the Lancaster Council of Churches. . . .”

The words of Isaiah and Amos, two great Hebrew prophets who were concerned about wealth being centered in the hands of the few, speak to our times. Isaiah proclaimed the **Lord’s** message to the wealthy folks of Israel: “It is you who have devoured the vineyard, the spoil of the poor is in your houses. What do you mean by crushing my people, by grinding the face of the poor?” says the Lord of hosts” (Is. 3:14b-15). Amos wrote: “Woe to those who lie upon beds of ivory. . . .” (Amos 6:4a). The Lord will not let this go on, Amos warns. Those who “sell the righteous for silver and the needy for a pair of shoes” (Amos 2:6b) will suffer the Lord’s punishment. A caring, moral society cannot sit idly by while a few “trample the head of the poor into the dust of the earth, and turn aside the way of the afflicted” (Amos 2:7a).

Is God’s judgment for real? Remember what happened to Israel and Judah! There is something wrong with a society when most of the wealth is concentrated in the hands of a few. When that kind of society hits the wall with huge budget deficits and debt, the poor always suffer the most. The poor actually get blamed for the deficits, and they represent a high percentage of the unemployed. God must be weeping! So should we!

-Hunger and Poverty Group

## FAMILY CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST!

Come and Enjoy some great family time around the breakfast table! It's a crazy time of year so why not come in and have some breakfast and fellowship! Saturday, December 10, from 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Pancakes, Sausage, Fruit and drinks will be provided. There will be cookie decorating and a small craft for the kids! Please RSVP to April Curran by December 3 at 293-0446 or [aprilcurran254@comcast.net](mailto:aprilcurran254@comcast.net).



Christmas Breakfast

## FEEDING THE HUNGRY

We members of the Hunger and Poverty Team are very appreciative of the response that LCoB has given to alleviate some of the suffering of our citizens whose wages are below the accepted poverty level in our own community, country and globally. The care and compassion that have been shown through special projects like **\$.02 a meal** and **food donated to the Lancaster County Council of Churches (LCCC)** are two outstanding examples of the generosity of this congregation.

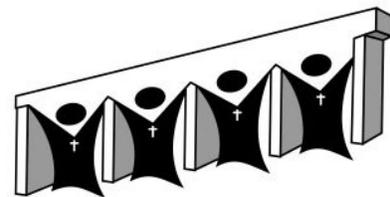
We have two more congregational opportunities in November to give above and beyond our usual tithes and offerings to these projects:

- On **November 20**, a \$.02 a meal offering will be taken at the four services. \$.02 a meal will feed one child for one meal when it is given through Global Food Fund Disaster, an organization supported by our CoB denomination. Please make checks payable to LCoB with \$.02 A Meal on the memo line. Cash is accepted as well. When Rich and I went out for pizza last night, our bill was \$13.00. \$.04 given by us to our \$.02 a meal project would feed two children for one meal! It did make me pause!
- On **November 27** when we observe Bread and Cup Communion, food for the needy, which is given to LCCC Food Bank, is a way to express thanks to God for all of his gifts, especially of His Son Jesus Christ. Food can be placed in either of the two grocery carts or in the food cupboard in the Heritage Life Center. Suggestions for food donations are on the Outreach Ministry Team bulletin board, but any donations are acceptable..

It is more blessed to give than to receive. "As you did it to the least of these, you did it to Me", Christ said.

Thanks,

Joyce Bohn, Coordinator of \$.02 a meal and the Food Bank offerings.



**BRIDGE**

*working together as one body*

*Chapel • Morning Psalm • Sanctuary • Maranatha*

## WHAT I WANT MY CHURCH TO BE!

My church is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am.

Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.

It will do great work, if I work.

It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver.

It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I invite and bring them.

It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a church with a noble spirit, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.



Therefore, with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my church to be.

... Pledge campaign for 2012 Plan of Ministry. . . SMT



John 15:12 My command is this:  
*Love each other as I have loved you.*

## LOVE EACH OTHER

by Graham Kendrick

All the room was hushed and still  
And when the bowl was filled  
He stooped to wash their feet  
And when it was complete He said:

This is what I'm asking you to do  
This is why I'm kneeling here beside you  
This is what I want my church to be  
This is what I want the world to see –  
who it is you follow . . .

Love each other, One another  
Love each other, In the way that I have loved you  
Walk together, And whatever comes,  
Love each other, In the way that I have Loved you

Let the room be hushed and still  
Let us go to where He kneels  
And join Him as He serves  
And learn His ways of Love. He said:

... Pledge campaign Theme song . . . SMT

## PLEDGE CAMPAIGN CONCLUDES

The stewardship emphasis series will conclude on November 6.

Our Ministry Teams, motivated by our vision and mission statements, and in humble gratitude to our Lord, have worked hard at setting goals for 2012 and now each one of us has an opportunity to consider how we will support the 2012 Plan of Ministry.

Please bring your Pledge Card in its envelope or mail it so it arrives for **Sunday November 6** when we will bring our pledges to the altar in response to God's blessings in our lives and as an expression of our faith and devotion to Christ and His church.

If you need a pledge card and/or a giving envelope number, contact an usher or the church office.

Although the campaign concludes, opportunities to make our church **"What I want my church to be . . ."** is just beginning.

... SMT

## MILITARY CHAPLAINCY CONSIDERED AT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The most controversial item of business at the Atlantic Northeast District Conference – held at the Leffler Chapel on the Elizabethtown College Campus on October 7 & 8 – was a query from the Parker Ford Church in Pottstown entitled: “Endorsing Ordained Ministers Called to Military Chaplaincy.” The ANE District Board made a motion that this query be passed on to Annual Conference by the ANE District. Brethren stood in line at three floor microphones as delegates and others addressed the meaning of “endorsing,” the heritage and values of a historic peace church, respect for individual consciences and calling, the implications of sending a query to Annual Conference, and the importance of ministering to military personnel who experienced emotional and spiritual distress.

Four LCoB members – Curtis Dubble, Otto and Suzanne Schaudel, and Guy Wampler – spoke in opposition to the Board recommendation. Delegates from LCoB did not vote as a block. By a hand-vote, not close enough to require a count, delegates voted not to pass the query on to Annual Conference. The Church of the

Brethren Office of Ministry sent a written statement to ANE District reporting plans already in place to deal with the military chaplaincy issue in the 2011 and 2012 Annual Conferences.

Two new fellowships were welcomed and affirmed, and one fellowship was advanced to the status of an official congregation. These three predominately Hispanic churches are located in Leola, Bethlehem, and Sanford, Maine. Reports were received from Camp Swatara, COBYS Family Services, Disaster Relief Auction, Elizabethtown and Juniata Colleges, and other agencies providing an impressive range of services supported by congregations and individuals in the district.

The Conferences adjourned at 3 p.m. on Saturday after moderator David Stauffer, who had led the conference with exceptional humor, clarity, and wisdom, handed the gavel to the new moderator Robert Wintsch, initially of LCoB but now of Mechanic Grove where his wife Misty is associate pastor. Exactly 200 delegates from 73 of the 78 congregations in the district registered at the Conference.

## SIGHTS & SOUNDS FROM DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The seven delegates to the Atlantic Northeast District Conference from LCoB agreed that if Guy Wampler would write a newsletter report, each of the others would write a two-or-three-line report of their reactions to the conference.

Russell Adsitt: “A Tootsie Roll and warm greeting upon arrival, renewing old friendships and making new ones, 50-plus voice choir with great anthems, Dave Stauffer’s uplifting and challenging message, 50-year ministry celebration of Paul Boll and Luke Bucher – YEA!

“Saturday included: inspirational singing, business reports, news of growing congregations, delicious lunch and a time for discussion with our team, extra seminar on “What is the Future of the CoB” (more on this later). Afternoon included: respectful debate on *Query re: Military Chaplaincy*, MANY Good News Breaks with “Drizzly” aka Misty Wintsch. Final takeaway: the Conference theme “The Wisdom From Above” and this text (James 3:17): ‘pure, peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy,’ – these are indeed words to live by.”

Beverly Angle: “As a first-time delegate, I truly appreciated the opportunity to represent our church. Three things impressed me: 1) how well-run, 2) on time, and

3) available the debates and discussion were.”

Clyde Angle: “As a first time delegate I learned a lot from the various reports and appreciated the time & effort that went into them. I was also impressed with the moderator’s adjustments to the agenda in order to make the most productive use of the time. Also appreciated the thoughtfulness and courtesy displayed during the debate on military chaplaincy.”

Jeffrey Rill: “A highlight of District Conference for me is always the people. It is like a family reunion. This year I saw two delegates from the Quakertown Church of the Brethren who were young children when I came to Quakertown. I baptized both of them. Now they are college graduates and leaders in their congregation.”

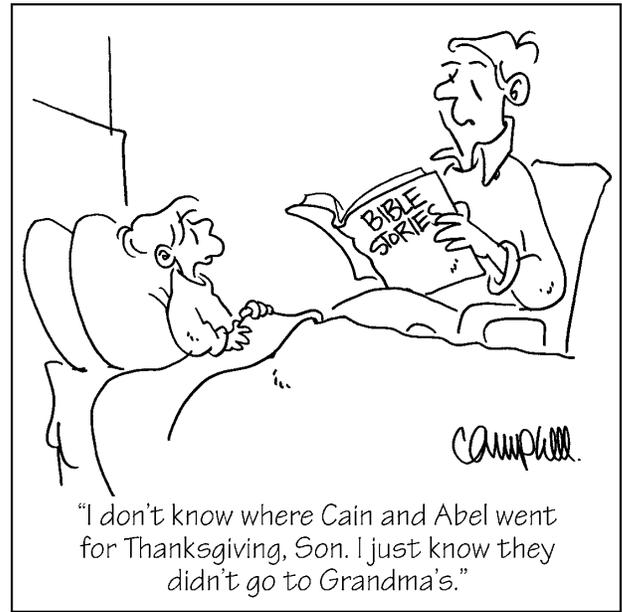
Calvin Wenger: “I was impressed by: the *cordiality*, of everyone but especially the moderator; the *intensity*, especially in discussion about military chaplaincy; and *spirituality*, throughout but especially in Friday evening worship. The WANE TV reports by Drizzly (Misty Wintsch) were refreshing and informative.

Jay Wenger: “Each year one needs to get a physical exam to learn one’s pulse and heartbeat. District Conference is an excellent way to learn the pulse and heartbeat of the body of believers known as the Church of the Brethren. We are alive and doing OK.”

### HOW TO GET PUBLISHED

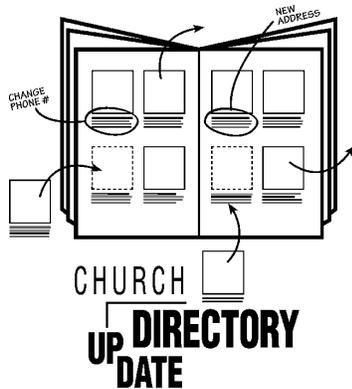
If you are interested in submitting an article or letter, here's how to do it!

1. The deadline is the 15th of every month.
2. ***Electronically submitted is best!***
3. Email to the church office at [lancob@comcast.net](mailto:lancob@comcast.net).
4. Please do not extensively format emailed submissions. Simple paragraph form is best. An attached file should be in a *Word* document.
5. Mail any submissions to the church office, attention Tiffany Dickel, or place them in the "Newsletter" folder in the church office.



### CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATES

Did you move this year? Did your email change this year? Did your phone number change this year? If you can say "yes" to any one of these questions, then you need to contact the church office by November 16.



### FALL LEAF RAKING SCHEDULE AT LCOB

- Nov. 5 - Living Faith
  - Nov. 12 - New Directions & Nesters
  - Nov. 19 - Path Finders & Seekers
  - Dec. 3 - Sr. High and Jr. High youth
- Please bring rakes, tarps, leaf blowers, etc...



## Thanksgiving Word Search



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## ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES November 2011

*The following classes are open to everyone. All are invited.  
Even though these groups are "ongoing," they are always looking for new members!*

**9:00 – 9:45 Sunday Mornings**

**The Chapel Bible Study Group**, led by Calvin Wenger and John Snader, meets in the Chapel. They are currently immersed in an intensive study of the New Testament. In November they will be starting their study of the book of *Romans*.

**The Thoughtful Life Class**, meeting in Rooms 162-163, features stimulating resource persons who lead discussions in a variety of topics. Topics in November include –

**November 6 and 13– Clem Rosenberger** reviews John Shelby Spong's new book, titled *Eternal Life: A new Vision – Beyond Religion, Beyond Theism, Beyond Heaven and Hell*.

Clem will introduce us to Spong's book which describes his remarkable spiritual journey, a lifelong struggle with the questions of God and death. In this book Spong reveals how he came to a new conclusion about eternal life.

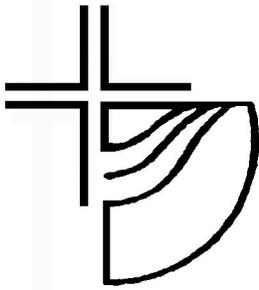
**November 20 – Cow Tales**, by **Jack Breyer**. Jack will share about his career as a veterinarian working among Amish and how a few stories of his father's family history started him on a trek that eventually became a short book called *Cow Tales*.

**November 27 – Kate Zimmerman**, Director of Community Relations, Lancaster Area Habitat for Humanity, will give us an update and the needs of our local Habitat organization.

**The One Another Class**, coordinated by Linda Husted and Jeff Rill, meets in Pastor Rill's office. In November they will be continuing their study of the book of **Mark**, using a video-based curriculum developed by Yale Theological Seminary professors. Contact Linda Husted at [elhusted@aol.com](mailto:elhusted@aol.com) if you have any questions.

**The Nesters Bible Study Group** meets in Room 170. Plans for November are uncertain at the time this newsletter went to press. Contact Todd Bookman at [bookert@gmail.com](mailto:bookert@gmail.com) if you have questions.





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