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...YOU SHALL
LOVE YOUR
NEIGHBOR AS
YOURSELF...

LEVITICUS 19:18



July 7: To be Announced - Guest Speaker

July 14: "Find Your Place in this World" - Jim Benedict

Worship Theme: When our lives start to spin out of control, sometimes it is because we have forgotten who we are and what we are supposed to be doing. It is in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for.

Scripture Text: Ephesians 1:1-14

July 21 & 28: To be Announced - Guest Speaker

August 4: To be Announced - Warren Eshbach

August 11: "Evil Talk" - Jim Benedict

Worship Theme: Evil talk is talk that tears others down. As Christians, we are called to use our voices to build others up.

Scripture Text: Ephesians 4:25-5:2

August 18: "What to Wear" - Jim Benedict

Worship Theme: We might look silly wearing a literal suit of armor, but Paul speaks of spiritual armor. What do we need to fight temptation?

Scripture Text: Ephesians 6:10-20

August 25: "The Bread of Life" - Jim Benedict

Worship Theme: It isn't just that we can't get what we want, or that we go about getting it the wrong way. The human predicament is much more profound than that. We want all the wrong things! We don't want what we really need – to be changed.

Scripture Text: John 6:1-21

time eating and drinking with "sinners and tax collectors," i.e., the wrong kind of people. Jesus did not accept the Sabbath law as a hard and fast rule, arguing that it *was* permissible to do good on the Sabbath, but by the same token he did not dismiss the rule entirely and argue that we should all spend every waking moment, including the Sabbath, doing as much "good" as we possibly can.

I suspect Jesus did not make that argument because he knew where it would lead in the long run. In studies from many fields, it has been repeatedly demonstrated that more work often leads to less production. In manufacturing, requiring overtime initially increases production, but if it goes on too long, errors mount and injuries occur that eventually bring production back to the baseline or below. In healthcare, it is well known that providers working more than about 10 hours in a single shift start to make an alarming number of errors that harm patients. It doesn't matter what kind of work you are doing (and many of us are doing more than one kind) – eventually more is not more, but less, and less is more.

Summer is a time when it is more socially acceptable for us to take a break, do less, and relax. But the lesson from this story is not just for one season. It is for every season. It is ok to say no, even to people you love, even when they are asking you to do something that you are technically capable of doing. It is okay to save your energy and time for those things you are passionate about and those things (probably very few) that can only be done by you.

Remember a few years back when the WWJD (What Would Jesus Do?) slogan was everywhere? I remember reading an article that suggested most people sporting the slogan on clothes or jewelry might have a hard time actually living by it. Calling on people to spend more time reading the gospels, the author explained, "How can you know what Jesus would do if you don't know what Jesus did?" One of the things Jesus did was to say, "No." We can, too.

Peace,

Pastor Jim



ROMANS 16:2 (CEB)

**WELCOME+
WORTHY**

2024 CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**COB Annual Conference
July 3-7, 2024
Grand Rapids, Michigan**



**Mechanicsburg/West Shore CROP Walk
Sunday, October 20, 2024**

**Hoss's Community Day Fundraiser for CROP
Walk - Thursday, September 12, 2024**

Less Is More

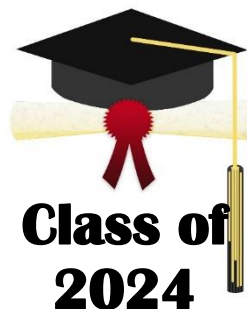
Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus],
"Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me."
But he said to him,
"Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?"
Luke 12:13-14

I have a problem – it is *really* hard for me to say, "No." If someone wants me to do something, and I have the knowledge, skills, and ability to do it, my default is to say, "Yes, sure, no problem." As a result, I often find myself with a longer to-do list than I'd like, wearing myself out to keep my promises, and having to say, "No," to things that I would prefer to do because my schedule is too full to add one more thing.

Given my temperament, you can imagine my shock some years ago when I came across this text (see above). I'd read it before, but not really paid attention, since it serves primarily to introduce a parable in which Jesus warns against greed. But years ago, for the first time, I realized that Jesus had responded to a request that was not unreasonable by saying, essentially, "No." Here I had been thinking that by saying yes to everybody asking for help, I was being *like* Jesus . . . but apparently I wasn't.

Jesus set limits. Sometimes to the frustration of his disciples, he wandered off to spend time alone and he didn't always tell others where he was going. We do have stories of him spending long hours teaching and healing, but we also have stories of him getting away from it all, and stories of him prioritizing some activities and some people over others. He was criticized for spending too much of his

MCOB News & Activities



**Class of
2024**

Andrew "Drew" Richmond graduated from Cumberland Valley High School on June 1 at the Giant Center. He will continue his education in the CVHS Autism Support classroom in the fall as a "Super Senior" until he is 21. Drew is a volunteer at Mechanicsburg Joseph Simpson Library where he maintains and shelves DVDs in the children's library twice a week. He enjoys regular visits to Sky Zone Trampoline Park, the Camp Hill YMCA to swim and use the treadmill, and lots of visits to local parks to walk and swing.

Rachel Johnson attended our church while a student at Messiah University. Rachel graduated from Messiah University with a B.A. in Youth Ministry and a minor in Children and Youth Services. In August she will be starting Brethren Volunteer Service as the FaithX BVS'er working out of the main Church of the Brethren offices in Elgin, Illinois.

Adelaide "Addie" Seagrist graduated from Cumberland Valley High School. Future plans to be announced at a later date.

Congratulations!

**Church Picnic - September 15, 2024
Fellowship Hall – immediately after worship**

More information in upcoming bulletins.

Summer Adult Sunday School Sunday mornings at 9 a.m.

JULY

July 7: Messenger Sunday – when the May issue will be discussed. Hosted by Brian Case.

July 14: Katrina Boyer, PA Department of Banking speaking on financial scams and fraud.

July 21: Alyssa Parker, Executive Director, and Devin Dixon-Rosario from bcmPeace, speaking on peace and justice in troubled neighborhoods.

July 28: Gerald Rhoads, On Earth Peace Consultant and Vice Chair of Heeding God's Call to End Gun Violence, Harrisburg Chapter.

AUGUST

August 4: To be announced

August 11: Carolyn Neher, Associate Director of Children's Disaster Ministries.

August 18: Mandy Park, On Earth Peace, speaking on the Kingian Non-Violence Training Project.

August 25: Annual Conference Delegates' wrap up report.

Children's Sunday School continues with the Shine Curriculum *Path to Peace with Creation*. Additional stories used from *The Peace Table*. Sunday mornings at 9 a.m.

Christian Education has staffed the classroom, but need one or two others to act as substitutes. Please considering volunteering. If you have your Child Abuse clearances, you are good to go. If you do not, we can help you obtain them. Please see Colin Scott or Linda Crook Saylor for an instruction packet.

New HOPE Ministries
Sharing Christ's love by meeting human needs

BACK TO SCHOOL

Most needed items:

- binders (1" and 2")
- backpacks
- calculators (including scientific ones)
- colored pencils
- crayons and markers
- dry erase markers
- erasers and pencil sharpeners
- folders
- glue sticks and bottles
- highlighters
- index cards
- lunch boxes
- notebook paper
- notebooks
- pencils and pens
- pencil cases (zipper pouches)
- Post-it notes (square)
- rulers
- scissors
- Sharpies
- tissues (individual packs)

Please drop off at your nearest New Hope Center by August 1st - thank you!



Camp Eder is a year-round Christian Conference and Retreat Center located near Gettysburg, PA in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. Our facilities range from hotel style rooms to rustic cabins. Enjoy wooded slopes, savory home-cooked meals, the sound of crackling fires and fresh mountain air as you grow personally and spiritually in the serenity and splendor of God's creation.

The next Senior Day is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4th.



Family Promise

56 Erford Road
Camp Hill, PA 17011
717-737-1100

www.familypromisehcr.org

"A community response for homeless families"

Day Center Needs

Printer Paper	Trash Bags (not Good Sense)
Laundry Detergent	Swiffer Mop Pads
Swiffer Wet Jet Solution	Febreze
Women's Razors	Dish Soap
Baby Wipes	Shampoo
Shaving Cream	AA and AAA Batteries
Zip Loc Bags, Foil, Plastic Wrap	
Paper Plates	Queen Inflatable Mattress

Gift cards to Sheetz, Giant, Walmart – These help families with gas to go to work, food beyond what we provide here, and medicine. Many items families need can be bought with these cards, allowing families to save their money towards housing while they are here. Another great thing about gift cards...they take up very little space!



**VBS like
Never
Before!**

At Scuba VBS, kids will Dive into a friendship with God!

Take kids deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. (Since everything is hands-on, kids might get a little messy. Be sure to send them in play clothes and safe shoes.) Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life. The fun starts at 6:00 PM and will end at 8:00 PM every evening Monday, August 12th, through Thursday, August 15th.

Call this number 717-766-8880 or fill out a registration form and return it to Sherry Jones' church mailbox to register your children for this life-changing adventure. Please register as soon as possible so that we can begin to gather enough supplies for our adventure. VBS is geared for three-year olds (who are potty trained) through children who are currently in sixth grade.

Thanks,
Sherry Jones

*There is no cost for this program. We will be collecting donations of items for New Hope Ministries if you would like to donate.

YARD SALE

Timeline

* **Saturday, Aug. 17** at 6:30 p.m. – set up tables in fellowship hall. Ice Cream Social immediately after.

* **Monday, Aug. 19** at 9:00 a.m. – begin unpacking and pricing

* **Tuesday – Thursday, Aug. 20-22** – unpacking and pricing

* **Saturday, Aug. 24** – 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Yard Sale Day**

* **Monday, Aug. 26** – box cutting and cleanup

Mechanicsburg Church of the Brethren Indoor/Outdoor Yard Sale

Saturday, August 24, 2024
7 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Please place your items on the stage or in room #129.

Ⓜ **Gas-powered or oily items** should be held until the day prior to the sale. (No storage available and will be placed outside on sale date.)

Ⓜ **All plants and produce** should be dropped off on Wednesday/Thursday of sale week.

Plant & Produce Captain – Brenda Rhoads
Bake Sale Captain – Linda Crook Saylor
Kitchen Captain – Jill Risser
Silent Auction – Starr Akens

Questions? Contact the church office or Arlene Justice.

NO ITEMS will be accepted after Wednesday, Aug. 21.



Saturday, August 24, 2024
7 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Please sign up in the narthex to let us know what you are making.

Please prepackage your goodies if possible.

Questions to Rita Ranck, Jean Richwine, or Linda Crook Saylor.

Baked goods should be dropped off by Friday, August 23rd.



We are counting on you to pre-order your drive-thru meal this year, using this form or order online at www.crosskeysvillage.org/chicken

Pre-ordering will help The Friends of Cross Keys Village determine the number of chicken dinners more accurately, reducing the risk of waste and the risk of disappointing latecomers.

Deadline to pre-order is **Wednesday, August 7**. Pre-ordered dinners need to be **picked up by 1:00 pm** at the Nicarry Meetinghouse canopy on Saturday, August 10.

Saturday, August 10
10:30 am until Sold-Out

Each dinner includes a half chicken, baked potato, roll, and applesauce.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Date: _____

I will pick up my order at the Nicarry Meetinghouse canopy by 1:00 pm on August 10.

I am not able to pick up my order. Please arrange for delivery to my cottage, apartment, flat, or other Village residence between 10:30 am and 1:00 pm.

Number of Dinners	
Price per Dinner	x \$ 13.00
Total Enclosed	\$

Complete this form and return with your check made out to The Friends of CKV to Cindy Goodling, 1553 Shoemaker Drive, New Oxford, PA 17350. Questions can be addressed to Cindy Goodling at 717-887-3432.

Online order and payment: www.crosskeysvillage.org/chicken
(A \$1.00 surcharge is added to each online dinner order to cover electronic payment fees.)

Thank you for supporting the Friends of Cross Keys Village and their projects benefiting residents and team members.

District & Community News



The **Church of the Brethren Disaster Relief Auction** will be held **September 27-28, 2024**, at the Lebanon Expo Center and Fairgrounds.

Our quilters will have a quilt ready to go and we have been asked to provide two baskets for the auction.

This year's themes will be a **Chocolate Basket** and a **Cat Care Basket**.

Collection of items and monetary donations will begin in August, so look for more information in upcoming bulletins.



MISSING FROM THE MCOB LIBRARY

The following items are currently missing from the MCOB library.
If you have any knowledge of their location, please let me know. Thank you. -- Amy F.

Title	Author
100 POEMS OF PEACE	CLARK & GARRISON
1958 YEAR BOOK CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN 250TH ANNIVERSARY	GENERAL BROTHERHOOD BOARD
A BIBLE COMMENTARY FOR LAYMAN: LOVED AND FORGIVEN - COLOSSIANS	OGILVIE, LLOYD JOHN
A BIBLE COMMENTARY FOR LAYMAN: PASS IT ON - 1 & 2 TIMOTHY	MOUNCE, ROBERT H
A BIBLE COMMENTARY FOR LAYMEN: LET'S GET MOVING - EPHESIANS	BRISCOE, D STUART
A GUIDE FOR BIBLICAL STUDIES: CONTINUING JESUS' WORK	RAMIREZ & BEAHM
A GUIDE FOR BIBLICAL STUDIES: FAITH, HOPE, LOVE	NEES, OTTMAN & RAMIREZ
A GUIDE FOR BIBLICAL STUDIES: GOD RESTORES A REMNANT	RAMIREZ & RHODES
	HOSTETTER, WALTERSDORF & RAMIREZ
A GUIDE FOR BIBLICAL STUDIES: JESUS' MINISTRY	SHRECKHISE, BOSSERMAN & RAMIREZ
A GUIDE FOR BIBLICAL STUDIES: JESUS: GOD'S POWER IN ACTION	SMITH, GARBER & RAMIREZ
A GUIDE FOR BIBLICAL STUDIES: JUDGEMENT & EXILE	MYER, LOGAN & RAMIREZ
A GUIDE FOR BIBLICAL STUDIES: THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL	FOSDICK, HARRY EMERSON
A GUIDE TO UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE	ESHELMAN, M M
A MODEL LIFE OR UNCLE JOHN METZGER ON EARTH	TARASCIO, SARA
A TREASURY OF POEMS FROM THE SALESIAN COLLECTION	VARIOUS
ADULT COMPREHENSIVE BIBLE STUDY: JESUS THE FULFILLMENT	MALSEED, JOHN
AN OVERVIEW OF THE NEW TESTAMENT	CONTEMPORARY ENGLISH VERSION
BIBLE FOR TODAY'S FAMILY - NEW TESTAMENT	BILHORN
BILHORN'S GENTLEMEN'S VOICES NO. 1	VOL 62, #2
BRETHREN LIFE & THOUGHT: ECOTHEOLOGY	VARIOUS
BRETHREN LIFE & THOUGHT: VOL 29	TARASCIO, SARA
BRIDGE OF FAITH, THE: FROM THE SALESIAN COLLECTION	PETER PAN
CHILDREN'S BIBLE IN SOUND AND PICTURES	SHELLEY, BRUCE L
CHURCH HISTORY IN PLAIN LANGUAGE	SWINDOLL, CHARLES
COME BEFORE WINTER	CUMMINGS, CALVIN KNOX
CONFESSING CHRIST	GETZ, GENE
DAVID: GOD'S MAN IN FAITH AND FAILURE	KENT JR, HOMER A
EVERYMAN'S BIBLE COMMENTARY: EPHESIANS	
EXECUTING GOD: RETHINKING EVERYTHING YOU'VE BEEN TAUGHT	BAKER, SHARON L.
ABOUT SALVATION AND THE CROSS	AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY
EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN OF THE BIBLE	CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS...NYC 2002	KING JAMES VERSION
FOUR GOSPELS AND THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES, THE	VARIOUS
GATHER ROUND - DVD	JOHNSTONE, ROBERT
GENEVA SERIES OF COMMENTARIES: JAMES	MOORE, T V
GENEVA SERIES OF COMMENTARIES: ZECHARIAH	GENTZLER, J
GRAYING OF THE CHURCH, THE	PLUEDDERMANN
GREAT PEOPLE OF THE BIBLE	WENGER, JON CHRISTOPHER
HISTORY OF CAMP SWATARA: FIRST 50 YEARS 1943-1993	HOLMAN PRONOUNCING EDITION
HOLY BIBLE	KING JAMES VERSION
HOLY BIBLE (WITH EPISTLE DEDICATORY PAGE)	ABINGDON PRESS
INTERPRETER'S BIBLE, THE: VOL 9	WHISTON, WILLIAM
JOSEPHUS	
LAYMAN'S BIBLE COMMENTARY: VOL 21 (ROMANS, FIRST AND SECOND CORINTHIANS)	FOREMAN, KENNETH J
MANUAL OF WORSHIP AND POLICY	BRETHREN
MEET THE BRETHREN	DURNBAUGH, DONALD
MINUTES OF THE COB: OR THE BEGINNING OF BROTHERHOOD - BICENTENNIAL ADDRESS AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE	COB - 1908
	CONTEMPORARY ENGLISH VERSION
NEW TESTAMENT	GIDEONS
NEW TESTAMENT - PSALMS AND PROVERBS	NEW AMERICAN STANDARD
NEW TESTAMENT - PSALMS AND PROVERBS (PA FIRE POLICE)	KING JAMES VERSION
NEW TESTAMENT PSALMS	SCOTT, R B Y
PROVERBS AND ECCLESIASTES	WRIGHT, J STAFFORD
PSALMS OF DAVID, THE: WITH ILLUSTRATIONS BY LOUIS RHEAD	CEV
STAND IN THE GAP	MC GEE, J VERNON
THRU THE BIBLE COMMENTARY SERIES: ACTS CHAPTER 1-14	BARCLAY, WILLIAM
V1 THE GOSPEL OF JOHN	BARCLAY, WILLIAM
V2 PSALMS	YANCEY, PHILIP
WHAT'S SO AMAZING ABOUT GRACE?	ANDERSON, KEN
WHERE TO FIND IT IN THE BIBLE	BAUMANN, DAN
WHICH WAY TO HAPPINESS? (COMMENTARY ON THE BEATITUDES)	BRUCE, F F
WORLD BIBLE COMMENTARY VOL 45: 1 & 2 THESSALONIANS	WEISS, G CHRISTIAN
WRONG WAY JONAH	

July

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1	2	3 -- COB Annual	4 Grief Support Group 1 p.m. (Library) Church Office Closed Conference	5 Church Office Closed Grand Rapids,	6 Michigan --
7 Food for New Hope Combined Adult Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. --	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Combined Adult Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	15	16 Caregivers Support Group 1 p.m. (Library) Leadership Team Mtg. 7 p.m.	17 Ladies Luncheon 11:30 a.m. (Lower Allen Diner)	18	19	20
21 Donations for Family Promise Combined Adult Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	22 CROP Walk Comm. Meeting 7 p.m. (Library)	23	24	25	26	27 Burgers & Dogs Community Cookout 12-2 p.m.
28 Combined Adult Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	29 No Book Club	30	31			

2024

August

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1 Grief Support Group 1 p.m. (Library)	2	3 Fellowship Hall Reserved 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Rabenstein)
4 Food for New Hope Combined Adult Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	5	6	7 Quilting 9 a.m. (Choir Room)	8	9	10
11 Combined Adult Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	12 CROP Walk Comm. Meeting 7 p.m. (Library) VBS 6 – 8 p.m.	13 VBS 6 – 8 p.m.	14 Quilting 9 a.m. (Choir Room) Ladies Luncheon 11:30 a.m. VBS 6 – 8 p.m.	15 Kitchen Reserved (yard sale) September Newsletter Deadline VBS 6 – 8 p.m.	16 Kitchen Reserved (yard sale)	17 Set-up tables in fellowship hall for yard sale 6:30 p.m. – Ice Cream Social afterwards
18 Donations for Family Promise Combined Adult Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	19 Yard Sale Prep	20 Yard Sale Prep Caregivers Support Group 1 p.m. (Library) Executive Committee Meeting 7 p.m.	21 Yard Sale Prep Last day for Yard Sale Donations	22 Yard Sale Prep	23 Yard Sale Prep	24 MCOB YARD SALE 7 AM-2 PM
25 Combined Adult Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	26 Box cutting & clean up in Fellowship Hall 9 a.m. Church Book Club 7 p.m. (Zoom)	27	28 Quilting 9 a.m. (Choir Room)	29	30 	31 Burgers & Dogs Community Cookout 12-2 p.m.

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