

Keep Your Promises

Call to Worship

Leader: God's glorious kingdom will never end. God's rule will endure for generations.

People: Let us give thanks and praise to our King.

Leader: God is faithful and loving to all that lives and breathes. All creation tells of God's care.

People: From the smallest insect to the largest animal, we witness God's creative and sustaining love.

Leader: God listens for those who call for help, for those who are open to divine direction.

People: We call to God in truth, trusting in God's faithfulness in word and deed. With great joy, we gather in God's name to worship.

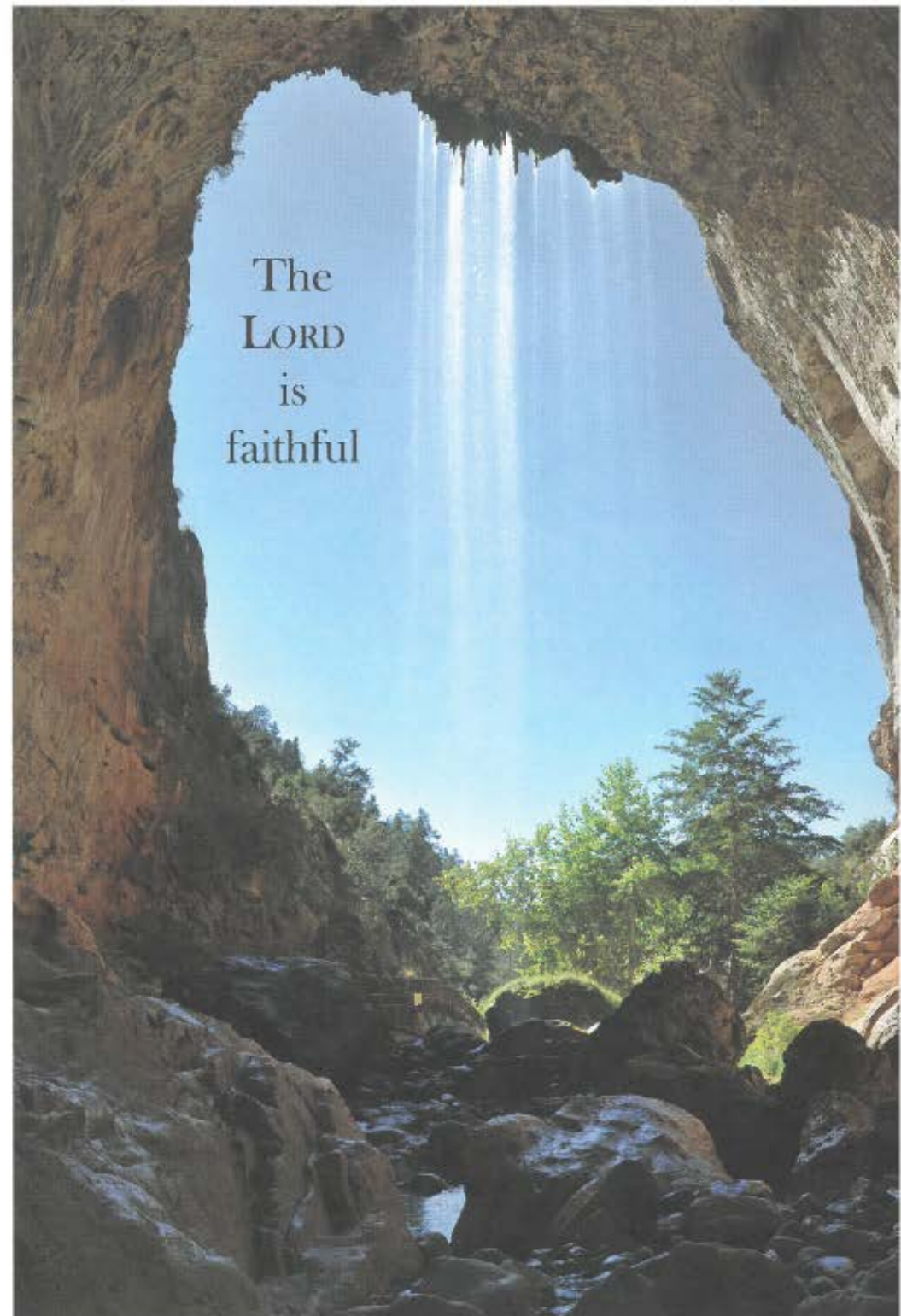
Prayer of Invocation

Holy God, you are faithful to all your promises. You keep your word and do everything you say. Fill your people—those who bow down before you—with your loving presence. Come to us in our need, as we lay everything at your feet in prayer and gratitude. Open your hand of grace to our fainting souls, that we may once again rejoice in you. *Amen.*

—Mark Bendes, pastor
Yellow Creek Church of the Brethren
Coshen, Indiana

Text for today: "All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you. They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. *The LORD is faithful* in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down. The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing. The LORD is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings. The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth" (Psalm 145:10-18, NRSV). **Bible readings for today:** 2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 145:10-18 (13); Ephesians 3:14-21; John 6:1-21.

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BRIDGEWATER CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

at Worship July 29, 2018 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE O sacred feast *Giovanni Gabrieli*

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER Jeff Carr

Please sign and pass the *Friendship Register* pad located at the inside aisle of the pew. Signing helps us learn the names of those worshipping near us. After all have signed, the pad can be passed back to the inside aisle.

THE NORFOLK CHIME

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP back of bulletin

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

***HYMN # 327** *Great is thy faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS

PROCLAIMING

CHILDREN'S TIME (11:00)

Children of ALL ages are invited to the front of the sanctuary for a time of building upon and connecting to faith through stories and interactions.

WOMEN'S ENSEMBLE (11:00) You are Mine *Marty Haugen*

SCRIPTURE READING John 6:1-21 *NRSV*

SERMON "Enough Plus" Jeff Carr

RESPONDING

***HYMN INSERT** *Great is thy faithfulness* STAR IN THE EAST

REFLECTIONS (8:30) ...a time for conversation.

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory

(8:30) We bring our tithes and offerings to the worship center.

(11:00) Ushers receive our tithes and offerings.

Communion Carillon *Jan Smith*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Steve Longenecker

SERVICE OF EUCHARIST COMMUNION

Invitation & Thanksgiving

Communion of the Bread & Cup

Hymn # 457 *Be Present at our table, Lord* OLD HUNDRETH

Hymn # 471 *Eat this bread* (sing 3 times)

Hymn # 459 *I come with joy to meet my Lord* DOVE OF PEACE

Prayer of Thanksgiving concluding with *The Lord's Prayer*:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come; your will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

Amen.

***HYMN # 478** *Sent forth by God's blessing* ASH GROVE

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE (11:00) Scherzo on: DOVE OF PEACE *John Barr*

* Rise as able in body and spirit.

MEETINGS & OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & NURTURE

July 29-August 4, 2018 (All events are p.m. unless noted)

This is a church events calendar and does not include all building events use.
Please be sure to schedule ALL EVENTS through the church office.

Today	7:00	Worship in the Woods Kent Davis Sensenig with Inner Harmony Quartet	CrossRoads
Mon.	7:00	B.C. Alumni Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
Tues.	7:00	Food Pantry Coordinating Committee	Lounge
Wed.	11-1	BRC Auxiliary Lunch	Social Hall
	7:00	Christian Education Commission	Library
	7:00	Fellowship & Recreation Commission	Youth Room
	7:00	Ministerial Services Commission	Altruistic Room
	7:00	Mission & Service Commission	Lounge
	7:00	Worship & Music Commission	Seekers Room

NEXT SUNDAY– August 5, 2018 – *Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary

2018 Annual Conference Sharing Sunday

Sunday School – 9:45 a.m. – Classrooms

Worship in the Woods – 7 p.m. – VBMHC Amphitheater

ATTENDANCE / STEWARDSHIP FOR SUNDAY: 7/22/18

Worship Attendance: 8:30 – 18 11:00 – 213 Sunday School: 91

Pledges & Envelope Giving \$4,435.00

Loose Offering 852.00

Youth Programs 100.00

PASTOR ON VACATION

Pastor Chris is taking vacation July 29-August 3.

He will return to work on Sunday August 5.

BRIDGEWATER CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

*An inclusive family of faith seeking to follow Jesus
and live the love of God.*

Our Mission...

As an inclusive community of faith, we commit ourselves to embody the love of God and to share our diverse lives and gifts with each other and the world. Through faith formation, worship, mission, and fellowship we boldly proclaim the peace and love of Christ. Together we work for justice, extend grace, and partner with God to offer abundant life, healing, and hope to our community and the world.

Our Values...

*Sharing life together and including all persons in our common life.
Growing in faith, compassion, and understanding.
Serving one another and our neighbor's good.
Sharing the love of God and the God that is love.*

PASTORAL MINISTRY STAFF

Jeff Carr – Senior Pastor

Chris Zepp – Associate Pastor

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FACILITIES MINISTRY STAFF

Fortunato Correa – Custodian

Phil Flory – Treasurer

Karissa Hunt – Interim Financial Secretary

Shannon Puffenbarger – Administrative Assistant

Leon Rhodes – Head Teller

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John Barr – Organist

Jim Benedict – Bell Choir Director

Jeanie Eye – Christian Education Director

Mary Beth Flory – Pianist

Marianne Houff – Children's Choir Director

Ellsworth Neff – Sound, Light, Video Coordinator

Curtis Nolley – Sanctus Choir Director & Music Coordinator

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Normal office hours are Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-Noon, and 1-5 p.m.

SUNDAY MORNING INFORMATION & TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS

HOSPITALITY CENTER in the Greeting Hall

Nametags; large-print Bibles, hymnals, & bulletins; listening receivers; and information are available here.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:45 a.m.

PARKING ASSISTANCE: 10:30-10:55 a.m. every Sunday.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME!

Children are always welcome among us and in our corporate worship gatherings. Activity bags are available in the greeting hall for their use and enjoyment. Additionally, childcare for children ages birth to kindergarten is available as well as a "cry room" for those who wish to listen and see the worship service in a separate room from the sanctuary. Ushers are more than willing to help you locate these resources.

Organist (8:30) – John Barr

Head Usher – Palmer Lee Berry

Hymn Leader (11:00) – Jon Wilson

Decorators – Lori Lineweaver & Dwynn Stovall

Deacon Caregiver – Erin Dalrymple

Van Driver – Rick Wampler

Worship Leader – Steve Longenecker

Women's Ensemble

Caroline Caplen

Wendy Carr

Erin Eye

Allison Lyttle

Leanne Kreps

Libby Kreps

SANCTUS CHOIR NEWS AND INVITATION

The Sanctus Choir's dedication through music provides an essential contribution to our worship service and to the life of our church. Please consider joining! Regular rehearsals for the Sanctus Choir will begin Thursday, August 9, at 7:30 p.m. in the choir room. The choir will provide childcare during Thursday rehearsals, just please let us know if you need it so arrangements can be made. If you have questions regarding the Sanctus Choir please contact any Sanctus Choir member or Curtis Nolley at 433-3031, carnolley@hotmail.com

Great is thy faithfulness

STAR IN THE EAST



Music: Southern Harmony, 1835

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Though changest not, thy compassions they fail not,
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness! O God my Father.
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided –
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

Summer and winter, and seed-time and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, Songs of Salvation, 1923
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John 6:1-21 (NRSV)

⁶ After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵ When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹ “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” ¹⁰ Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.” ¹⁵ When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰ But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” ²¹ Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.