

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.*

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“Even the Stones Cry Out” by Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman

*Easter Sunday
April 17, 2022*

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April 17, 2022

Live and Streaming on YouTube – 11:00 a.m.



Gathering Music *Were You There? with Crown Him with Many Crowns*
arr. Marilyn Ham

Handbell Prelude *Conquering the Grave* arr. Laumann
Lighting of the Christ Candle

***Acclamation** (Congregation read bold)

L: Christ is Risen!

P: Christ is risen indeed!

L: We rejoice in what God has done,

P: and in what God is yet to do!

All: refrain of, "Low in the grave he lay" [#273]

***Up from the grave he arose (he arose),
with a mighty triumph o'er his foes! (he arose)!
He arose victorious from the dark domain,
and he lives forever with his saints to reign!
He arose (he arose)! He arose (he arose)!
Alleluia! Christ arose!***

Choral Introit *Festival Introit for Easter Day* J. G. Barr

Easter Prayer

***Hymn #280 (v. 1-3)** *Christ the Lord is risen today*

Welcome

Children's Story

***Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in a God who can astound us—

**a God who created the mountains of Colorado,
the stars on a summer night, and the green of Ireland.**

We believe in Jesus, whose example changes us—

**an example of love for those on the fringes,
healing for the sick, and welcome for the lonely.**

We believe that Jesus was abandoned by his friends,
wounded, mocked, and killed by the state.

**And in a garden, three days later, we believe that life began
again—**

the stone was rolled back, as death lost its sting.

Ever since that day, we believe the Spirit has been inviting us into
an expansive life—

**a life not measured by wealth or accolades, but a life full to
the brim with joy,
overflowing with laughter, saturated in hope, and decorated
with good news.**

Death has lost its sting.

We believe, and are set free. Thanks be to God, amen.

Affirmation of Faith by Rev. Sarah (Are) Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC |
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Handbell Anthem *Joy and Elation* Dobrinski

Morning Prayer

Prayers of the People

Song - #530 (v3) *What wondrous love is this*

Prayer

Anthem *To the Lamb on the Throne* Dan Forrest

***Luke 24:1-12**

Testimony David R. Miller

***Hymn #269** *Thine is the glory*

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction** *Hallelujah Chorus* G.F. Handel

***Postlude** *Fanfare* arr. Nicholas Jacques Lemmens

*Rise as able in body and spirit.

In Ministry With You This Morning

Worship Leaders – Erin Dalrymple, David Miller, and Jennifer Scarr

Organist/Pianist – Mary Beth Flory

Prelude Musician(s) – Mary Beth Flory

Children's Storyteller – Josh Eye

Hospitality Desk – Mike Fike

Head Usher – Palmer Lee Berry

A-V Volunteers – Mark Dowdy & Dave Lineweaver

Music Director – Curtis Nolley

Decorators – Easter Decorating Team & Decorating Committee

April Deacon Caregivers – Joyce Wampler

Bulletin Delivery to BRC – Gladys Remnant

Anthem Text:

Worthy the Lamb. Ye servants of God, your Masters proclaim, and publish abroad His wonderful name; the name all victorious of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious and rules over all. "Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!" let all cry aloud, and honor the Son; the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces and worship the Worthy the lamb. God rules in the height, almighty o save; though hid from our sight, His presence we have, the great congregation His triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King. "Worthy the Lamb." Then let us adore, "Worthy the Lamb," All pow'r, all wisdom, might; honor and blessing. Angels above never ceasing, and infinite, "Worthy the Lamb, worthy the Lamb, worthy, worthy the Lamb!"

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Announcements

Children are welcome in worship! Activity bags are available in the greeting hall. Additionally, childcare for children up to kindergarten age 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 can help you locate these resources.

New Opportunity for Spiritual Formation Coming May 1! All are welcome!

Starting on Sunday, May 1 from 9:45-10:45 a.m. a new class will begin meeting in the Social Hall. This class is open to adults of all ages. The topics and themes will cycle and will include Bible study, book study, spiritual discovery, and other topics of interest expressed by the group.

Sunday April 24th is Earth Sunday a day of thanks for God's wonderful creation and a celebration of our food pantry garden. The children will decorate row markers for the garden during Sunday School. The Library Committee is planning a special display of books on celebrating and honoring God's creation. Financial gifts of support for the mission of the 2022 garden season will be welcomed. Checks may be written to BWCOB with the notation "Garden."

Youth Fundraiser Lunch: Next Sunday, April 24, the youth will host a fundraiser lunch after the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The menu will be a taco bar and there will be vegetarian options. All are welcome and encouraged to attend and support the youth. Free will donations are welcomed.

Spring Festival at Brethren Woods, Saturday April 30: Join us at Brethren Woods for a day of fun activities for all ages! Volunteers are needed to help with the bake sale tent and making homemade ice cream. If you are able to volunteer, please contact Erin Dalrymple at (540) 209-0239 or edalrymple@bwcob.org. **Palmer Lee Berry** is collecting donations to raise \$100 to kiss the cow and support the ministry of Brethren Woods. He will be collecting donations on Sunday morning, April 24.

The May and June copies of the Upper Room are now available in the Greeting Hall.

Attendance Last Sunday

8:30am: 12

11:00am: 160

Treasurer's Report 4/8-4/14

\$21,822.72 to the church budget

\$976.00 to specific funds

\$136.00	Wednesday Night Meals
\$270.00	Easter Flowers
\$500.00	Improvements Fund
\$50.00	Youth Programs
\$20.00	Miscellaneous

Easter Flowers

<u>Given by</u>	<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>In Honor of</u>
Judy Henneberger	Ed Henneberger	
Philip & Sue Hutchinson	Carl & Ruth Lineweaver Robert & Dicie Hutchinson	
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Bart Kasten	Jack & Cynthia Kasten	
Melvin & Glenda Wampler	Philip D. Wampler	Pamela D. Wampler Butler
Peggy Lineweaver	Carl & Ruth Lineweaver	
Dale, Sharon, Leroy & Allison Flaten	Janet Flaten	
Claire Wayman	Betty Wayman	
Ted & Mary Beth Flory	Leroy & Mary Jane Myers Wendell & Marie Flory Dawn Flory, Janet Flaten & Mary Jo Flory-Steury	
Phil & Ellie Flory		Heather, Bryce & Avery Driver Ted & Mary Beth Flory Chester & Eleanor Bowman Mike & Cindy Fike Rick & Janean Fawley Jeanie Eye, Mary Whitley, Dave & Lori Lineweaver Lee & Lev Norford, Bill & Andrea Miracle Steve & Ruth Watson, Josh & Erin Eye, Mike & Sally Chumbley Jesse & Alice Lee Hopkins
Janet & Jerry Wampler	Carroll & Rena Scruggs Mark & Nellie Wampler Louise Wampler DeWitt Sherrie & Jay Wampler & family	
Terry & Dianne Murray		Michael, Beth, Acadia & Tanner Bowen
Norma, Lisa, Andrea, Curtis, Ryan & Sarah	Dr. Harry Gardner	
Douglas & Sally Ruby	Our Parents	
Alice Lee & Jesse Hopkins	Nancy Trout & Arbutus Hopkins	