

The Dunker

Grossnickle Church of the Brethren

October 2018

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

"...; do this in remembrance of me." (Luke 22:19)

The first Sunday of October is World Communion Sunday—a call for Christians around the world, of all backgrounds and theological traditions, to remember that we are, in fact, all one in Christ and that the table from which we receive is God's table, not our own.



During the 10:30 am worship service on Sunday, October 7, we will receive the **Bread and Cup**. Then, on Sunday evening, November 11, at 6:00 pm, we will share in the full **Love Feast and Communion** around tables in the Parish Hall.

Whenever we receive the broken Bread and poured Cup we proclaim, "One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all..." (Ephesians 4:5). All are welcome at the Table of the Lord!

ANNUAL FALL CLOTHES DRIVE

"I needed clothes and you clothed me..." (Matthew 25:36)

As one season ends and another begins and you are getting out your fall and winter clothing, please be thinking of our annual Fall Clothes Drive. Donations of gently used clothing (clean and free of holes) will be graciously accepted. Also, please remember to check your coat closet for winter coats you no longer wear.



On Sunday, October 21, please bring your clothing donations to the trailer/truck which will be in the parking lot. Donations will be taken to the Hagerstown Rescue Mission. The Outreach Commission thanks you in advance for your support of this effort.

FALL FOOD PANTRY DRIVE "... for I was hungry and you gave me food..." (Matthew 25:35)

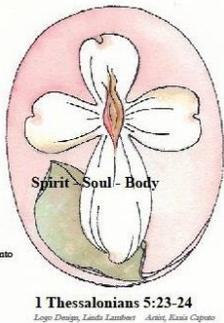


We will receive donations of food on Sunday, October 28 to help supplement the food pantry at Salem United Methodist Church (Wolfsville). The food pantry supports individuals and families in Myersville, Smithsburg and Sabillasville.

We encourage you to donate shelf-stable foods. (Please check the expiration date to be sure the dates are still current.) Suggestions include: soups, canned pasta, pumpkin, cereals, hamburger and tuna helper, ketchup, mayonnaise, ranch dressing, canned carrots, canned fruits, jelly, canned meats. Grocery gift cards are also very useful.

Thank you for your support of this effort. If you know of someone in need of food assistance, please ask them to contact the church office, 301-293-9516, or speak with Outreach Commission chairperson, Wanda Rudman.

MID-ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONFERENCE



The 52nd district conference for the Church of the Brethren's Mid-Atlantic District will be held Friday, October 12 - Saturday, October 13 at the Manassas Church of the Brethren. "Spirit-Soul-Body" will be the theme. Moderator Linda Lambert has challenged and called all to memorize the theme scripture, 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 in preparation for this year's conference.

Attending district conference as delegates will be Ryan Harshman, Tom Jouannet, Diane Moser, and Pastors Tim and Donna.

KIDS KLUB KICKS-OFF IN NOVEMBER



KIDS KLUB, for children in Grades 1 through 5, is planned to kick-off Wednesday, November 7. Lois Ann Glessner will again direct this program by presenting exciting Bible lessons designed to help the children learn about God and the life of Jesus Christ. She supplements the lessons with fun-filled activities to illustrate the stories.

The group will meet weekly on Wednesday evenings in the Parish Hall from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Snacks are provided by parents according to a pre-arranged schedule.

"THE DUNKER" ONLINE

View our newsletter in color on GCOB's website. To receive email notifications that the newsletter has been posted to GCOB's website, send an email to: kathie.tucker@gcob.org and ask to be added to the email notification list. A link to the newsletter will be included in the email.



Please note this recipe correction in *Inglenook Desserts*:

"Super New York Style Cheesecake" on page 154:

- For the **Filling**, add **1½ cups sugar** to the list of ingredients. It should be second in the list. When to add the sugar is already included in Step 5.

~ Visit www.inglenookcookbook.org for updates ~



2018 Growing Project

Harvest Festival

Sunday, October 14 @ 2:30 pm

Growing Project Farm

11720 Wolfsville Road, Myersville, MD 21773

Please join in the fun as we gather to celebrate and thank God for another bountiful harvest.

Service of Thanksgiving @ 3:00 pm

Cake Auction

American and Cambodian Foods

Scarecrow Workshop

Games

Hayride*

(*hay ride tour leaves from the farm promptly at 2:30)



During 2018, we are supporting a program in Southeast Asia called Cambodia East. The program will help farmers to maximize available water and produce crops despite unpredictable weather patterns through the use of greenhouses and mushroom grow houses. Farmers will grow a variety of vegetables in addition to mushrooms and will work with World Hope International to establish market linkages for their produce. Women are particularly vulnerable in Cambodia because they lack equal access to land, employment and education, so they do not have a safety net to protect against the effects of unexpected weather events and disasters. Therefore, this program will focus on encouraging women to become agri-entrepreneurs. Women are also an important target group as they are more likely to share the financial and nutritional benefits of success with their children.

ALUMINUM CANS NEEDED . . . Our Growing Project needs your clean, empty aluminum cans. Please drop off aluminum cans in the "Field of Hope" recycle bin beside the Parish Hall. Cans will be used for a guessing game during the **Harvest Festival** with the winner receiving a car wash by Pastor Tim. The cans will then be recycled for cash to support the Growing Project.

REACHING OUT TO HELP OTHERS ... OUR OUTREACH EFFORTS

Grossnickle Church of the Brethren serves the needs of its community and beyond in a variety of ways.

NEW WINDSOR WORKDAYS Volunteers travel to New Windsor to assist at SERRV. Please consider sharing your time to help this worthwhile cause dedicated to fighting global poverty through fair and ethical trade. To volunteer Thursday, October 4, contact Robert Delauter no later than the Tuesday evening prior to the workday. Remaining 2018 workdays are planned for November 1 and December 6.

"YOUNG AT HEART" MEALS ON WHEELS The first meal of the 2018-19 Meals on Wheels session will be delivered on November 10, 2018. To learn more about this ministry and/or to assist with this monthly outreach effort, speak with Kathy Gaver or Debbie Bussard.

CENTENNIAL MEAL Interested in joining the fun on Saturday, November 24 to help prepare and/or serve the meal? Smiles and helping hands are always needed. Contact Pam Jouannet, 301-293-3629, if interested.

ADOPT-A-ROAD The next opportunity to help with clean-up efforts will be on December 1. For more information, please contact MK Barnet (mawyle@gmail.com) or call her at 404-723-8739.

SENIOR SERVICE CIRCLE Watch for more information about Senior Service Circle in a future newsletter.



YOUNG-AT-HEART



CENTENNIAL MEAL



“There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.” (1 Corinthians 12:4-6, NIV)

BRETHREN DISASTER MINISTRIES EFFORTS



IN PUERTO RICO *(from the Brethren Disaster Ministries Facebook Page)*... **Immediate need for Volunteers in Puerto Rico:** After many months of planning BDM is ready to send volunteer teams to Puerto Rico. Groups of 5-7 volunteers are needed through the end of 2018. Volunteers are asked to stay a minimum of 2 weeks. Please contact bdm@brethren.org for more information or to volunteer.

IN THE UNITED STATES... **Grossnickle COB's Disaster Ministry trip** which had been planned for September 16-22 to Lumberton, NC has been **postponed**. The team is waiting to hear from Brethren Disaster Ministries as to what they will do.

PRAISING GOD TOGETHER... WORSHIP, MUSIC AND MORE



Join us each Sunday...

9:30 am – Sunday School (nursery through adult)
10:30 am – Worship

**NURSERY HELPER SCHEDULE
October 2018**

07 – Doris Grossnickle
14 – Christy Kehlbeck
21 – Pam Jouannet
28 – Traci Hanser



To volunteer and for information, you may contact Carol Schroyer, 301-367-6393 or carsch57@live.com.

OCTOBER 2018 WORSHIP INFORMATION & HELPERS

DATE	SERMON / SCRIPTURE	MESSAGE BY	WORSHIP LEADER	GREETERS	ACOLYTE
7	"Abide in My Love" John 15:1-17	Tim Ritchey Martin	Donna Ritchey Martin	Alan & Tina Spade	Natalie Flook
14	Guest Speaker	Max Finberg, President/CEO FRB	Tim Ritchey Martin	Elvin & Beverly Stottlemeyer	Grace Ellis
21	"Christ Above All" Hebrews 1:1-4,2:5-12	Donna Ritchey Martin	Tom Jouannet	Glenn & Sylvia Lantz	Jenna Grossnickle
28	"Faith is the Assurance" Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16	Tim Ritchey Martin	Cathie Clemson	Trina & Keith Delauter	Lane Routzahn

OCTOBER DEACONS OF THE MONTH: Pattie & Dan Hughes

MEN'S CHOIR



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The Men's Choir will begin practicing again in October. We will practice the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays – October 3rd and 17th.

If you have questions, or would like to add your voice, you may contact Robert Riggs, 240-818-7060.

OCTOBER SPECIAL MUSIC

07 – TBD
14 – Elizabeth Allen (harp)
21 – Emma Taylor (soloist)
28 – TBD

"Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs." (Psalm 100:2)



**Growing Project's
2018 Harvest Festival
Sunday, October 14 • 2:30 p.m.**

Come and join in the fun and celebration!

‘HELPING HANDS’

This segment focuses on the many groups and individuals in the life of the Church who contribute a great deal to our life together. This space is an opportunity to learn more about these “helpers” and what they do.



This month we celebrate **Allison Rumpf’s project of collecting materials to make school kits**. We asked Allison several questions and these were her responses.

What made you decide to collect materials for school kits?

Everyone needs a good education, but some people don’t even have the supplies to go to school.

What organization are you helping?

Church World Service.

What was the hardest part of your project?

My journal entries on the different thinking strategies I used like creative, critical, analytical and executive.

What brought you joy as you did this project?

Knowing kids would get school supplies for an education so then they could be anything they wanted.

How many kits were you able to collect?

45.

Would you do this again if you have the opportunity?

YEAH!

Anything else you would like to share about the project?

I thought I would get about 20 kits and that made me happy. But then I had so many supplies I made 45. Thank you for helping me!



CELEBRATION CORNER

*Celebration Corner is a monthly column highlighting, with joy, events of the previous month. This month we celebrate **September** events.*

Dictionary.com defines “fellowship” using words like comradery, association, friendship. In Acts 2 we read the following description of the Church in the 1st century: *“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.”* (Acts 2:42)

One third of our Church facilities is dedicated to fellowship, the Parish Hall. An important part of what it means to be Church is that we, in the words of Acts, devote ourselves to being together, associating with each other, learning to know each other, caring for each other. That’s part of our mission and it is part of why we exist as GCOB.

So what a joy it was to be together for something as simple as a picnic that got moved indoors because of rainy, windy weather outdoors. That did not hinder the fellowshiping in the least. A wonderful contest of penny pitching went on, delicious food was consumed and conversation went on into the afternoon. After a long hot summer of going our own directions to vacation coming together was simply a blessing. We caught up. We shared news. We offered care and support to one another. And we were reminded again that fellowship is one of the true joys of being Church.

Our fellowship is open. Anyone can come join in and they will find welcome, a table spread, care, concern, love. Our fellowship is welcoming. Each of us carries the responsibility to express that welcome, care, concern, love. For Christ has called us to do that task, to be that way.

Enjoy some pictures from the day.



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&
FELLOWSHIP
September 9, 2018



NOTES OF THANKS



THANK YOU FROM BRENDA THOMASSON... Thanks to Pastor Donna for the hospital visit and to the congregation for all the cards, visits and prayers.

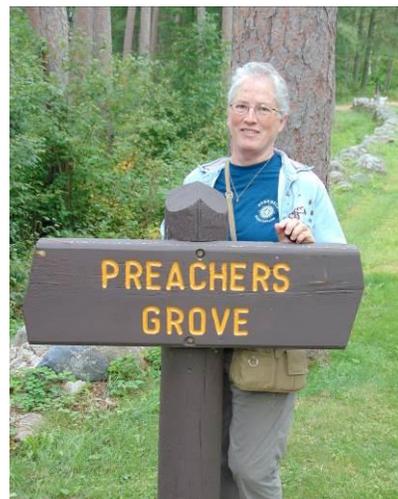
THANK YOU FROM CHRISTY KEHLBECK... Dearest Church Family, I can't thank you enough for the loving support you have provided during the illness and passing of my mother this past month. I so appreciate the cards, calls and prayers – they all have been a huge comfort to us. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

THANK YOU FROM JULIE GAVER... It is with a full and grateful heart that I thank you for the use of the church parking lot the evening of our Soles of Love charity event. The effort resulted in us collecting and distributing 1,429 pairs of new shoes for children in both Frederick and Washington Counties. Please accept this check as a token of appreciation in hopes that it will be used for one of your many mission efforts.

THANK YOU FROM PASTORS TIM AND DONNA... Thanks to all who carried our responsibilities during late August and early September while we vacationed. Our travels took us to Minnesota to the Headwaters of the Mississippi River, to the Minnesota State Fair and to most of a week with Ben and Corinne. Thanks to Worship Leaders, service planners, Deacon and James Gang visitors and others who continued the ministries of our Church while we were gone. We're grateful to all. The picture comes from Itasca State Park where there is a grove of trees which sheltered a gathering of preachers. Thus the name.

THANK YOU FROM MICHELLE ROGERS... I thank everyone for their birthday wishes and cards for my 90th birthday. Love you all.

THANK YOU FROM MELANIE KAPINOS, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR, HEIFER INTERNATIONAL... Thank you so much for your recent donation to Heifer International! The generosity you have shown will make a lasting impact in communities around the globe by enhancing the capacity of vulnerable small-scale farmers, especially women, to secure their livelihoods.



THANK YOU FROM SHEPHERD'S SPRING... On behalf of our Board of Directors, staff, and all who love, enjoy, and support Shepherd's Spring, we wish to thank you for your donation of time and talent in 2017! In this age when we all lead busy, and often hectic, lives, we are very grateful to you for choosing to support the many ministry efforts of Shepherd's Spring. As you know so well, we strive to be that place of refuge for people, where they can step away from the fast pace of busy lives and reconnect to God, family, friends and this magnificent outdoor world created by God for our enjoyment... Thank you so much for your gifts of time, talent, treasure---and prayers!

CHURCH FAMILY UPDATES



Our Congratulations to...

*Steve & Katelyn Frushour Smith on the birth of son, **Kase Michael Smith**, Tuesday, September 4; 7 lb 12 oz, 19 7/8 inches. Maternal grandparents are Linda & Mike Frushour. Maternal great-grandparents are Richard & Darlene Frushour.*

*Danielle & Jordan Grossnickle on the birth of son, **Trevor Wolfe Grossnickle**, September 15. 8 lbs 10 oz, 21 inches long. Paternal grandparents: Wayne & Karen Grossnickle. Paternal great-grandparents: Maynard & Jane Grossnickle.*

*Pastors Tim & Donna on the birth of grandson, **Adrian Atlas Martin**, born to Corinne Lipscomb & Ben Martin, Tuesday, September 18. Adrian was 8 lb 2 oz, 21 inches. The family lives in St. Paul, Minnesota.*

MESSAGE FROM OUR PARISH NURSE

Pattie Hughes, RN

As the cold and flu season approaches I suggest that we review our current oral medications and remove those that have expired. However, proper disposal of these medications is necessary. Improper disposal can lead to drug abuse and environmental hazards to lakes, groundwater and wildlife.



In an effort to reduce these risks there are several Drug Disposal sites throughout the county. Our local center is listed below with additional facilities and information noted on the Frederick County Government site; frederickcountymd.gov.

Middletown Municipal Building - (Inside back door from parking lot)
31 West Main Street
Middletown, MD 21769

All oral medications should be in their bottles or a plastic bag with all personal information removed or marked out.

FAHRNEY KEEDY SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY AUXILIARY NEWS

8507 Mapleville Road, Boonsboro MD 21713 • 301-733-6284 • <http://fkhv.org/>
Key Person for GCOB: Glenna Moser, 240-344-4431



LUNCHEON & BUSINESS MEETING... The Auxiliary's Fall luncheon and meeting will be held Saturday, October 20. Everyone is invited to enjoy the food and fellowship. The **luncheon** catered by Chef Brian begins at 12 noon in the dining room. Everyone is invited to bring a dish to pass, if you wish. The **business meeting** will begin at 1:00 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS AT FARTHNEY KEEDY

October 20 – Luncheon/Business Meeting

December 7 – Luminaria Display in Village

SHEPHERD'S SPRING NEWS

16869 Taylors Landing Road • Sharpsburg, Maryland 21782 • 301- 223-8193 • www.shepherdsspring.org
Camp Representative for GCOB: Doris Grossnickle



GOLF TOURNAMENT CANCELLED... The 22nd Annual Tournament planned for Monday, October 8, 2018 at Waynesboro County Club has been **cancelled**. Mark your calendar now and start preparing for next year's tournament scheduled for Monday, June 17, 2019.

SAVE THE DATE! November 3, 2018 – Volunteer Appreciation Event & Shepherd's Spring Annual Meeting

GLANCING AHEAD TO NOVEMBER... Mark your calendar!

01 – New Windsor Workday

03 – Woodcutting

07 – KIDS KLUB begins

08 – Congregational Business Meeting, 7pm

10 – Meals on Wheels

11 – Love Feast, 6 pm

21 – Community Thanksgiving Service

@ Pleasant Walk UMC

22 – *Thanksgiving Day*

24 – Centennial Meal



OCTOBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 7p Men's Choir practice	4 7a New Windsor Workday 6:30p PH reserved (Jennie Leatherman)	5 Parish Hall reserved all day (Deacons)	6
7  World Communion Sunday My Two-Cents Offering BP screenings (after worship)	8	9	10	11	12 13 Mid-Atlantic District Conference (Manassas COB) October 12-13, 2018	
14 12n – 5p PH reserved (Grossnickle- Blessing reunion) 2:30p Harvest Festival	15	16	17 7p Men's Choir practice	18	19	20 12n – 5p PH reserved (D. Meinders)
21 Fall Clothes Drive 11:45a – 6p PH reserved (Rohrer reunion)	22	23	24	25	26	27 11a – ? PH reserved (S. Masser)
28 Fall Food Pantry Drive	29	30	31		Sundays 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship	

Tim and Donna Ritchey Martin, Pastors
SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL – 9:30 am
FAMILY WORSHIP HOUR – 10:30 am

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday
8:00 to 11:30 am

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
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GIVING THROUGH TITHES & OFFERINGS

*"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
(2 Corinthians 9:7)*

Offerings to GCOB can be presented in the following ways:

Offering plate – Cash and checks may be placed in the offering plate during worship and Sunday school.

Online – Visit www.gcob.org and click on DONATE.

Mail – Send checks to Grossnickle COB, P.O. Box 575, Myersville, MD 21773. Indicate "offering" on check.

Make checks payable to "Grossnickle COB." Thank you!

Please submit news items for the **November 2018 issue of *The Dunker*** no later than Monday, October 15.
Thank you!

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

October 2018