



Full business meeting set for February 7

After worship and a freewill offering lunch sponsored by the Fidelis-Koinonia Sunday School class on February 7, we will be having a full congregational business meeting. In addition to receiving regular reports, the two major items on the agenda are:

1. A resolution on giving up the church's possible ownership stake in Spring Creek Town Hall. (As previously reported, Beaver Creek Church may have a long-surviving ownership stake in the Spring Creek Town Hall, leading to potential liability for accidents or code violations there. The legal advice we received is to give up that ownership stake.)
2. A motion from the facilities team to fund three projects for completion in 2016:
 - a. Replacing the parsonage driveway, at an expected cost of \$8,450;
 - b. Adding a hand railing to the north ramp of the Fellowship Hall (similar to the existing south ramp rail), at an expected cost of \$906; and
 - c. Adding baffling to improve the acoustics of the Fellowship Hall, at an expected cost of \$2,260.

As the projects were not included in the 2016 budget, the motion proposes funding them through a transfer of \$11,616 from the Building Fund.

Moving the freewill lunch because of the snowstorm provided the opportunity for a lunch and full meeting format.



This format is a change from the original schedule, as the lunch had been planned for January 24 and the business meeting was to have been short-form, right after the worship service February 7. However, a heavy snow resulted in postponement of the lunch, providing the opportunity to have the lunch and full business meeting on the same Sunday. In its regular January meeting, the church leadership team approved the revised schedule and the addition of those two major items to the agenda.

Men's Fellowship meeting set

If you're a guy, you're invited! Whether you're a church member, a friend, or a friend of a friend, you are welcome as the Men's Fellowship meets on Saturday, January 30, at 7:15 a.m. at Thomas House Restaurant in Dayton. After breakfast, we will discuss Men's Fellowship events for the entire year, including:

- Mother-Daughter banquet and program on Mother's Day eve
- Chicken barbecue(s) at the Montezuma Ruritan pit
- Steak dinner in June at the Mt. Crawford Ruritan hall
- Apple Butter boil in October

First Sunday offerings set

On the first Sunday of each month, we have a special offering to support an outside ministry or community service. The Outreach and Missions focus team has designated the following recipients for 2016:

January	World hunger	July	Gideons International
February	Open Doors homeless ministry	August	World hunger
March	Steele and Alice's Ukraine ministry	September	Bridgewater and Stokesville food pantries
April	Ottobine Elementary backpack program	October	AVA Care of Harrisonburg
May	Brethren Disaster Response	November	Operation Christmas Child
June	Bridgewater and Stokesville food pantries	December	Salvation Army

Come join us!

Worship starts at 11 a.m. ♦ Sunday School 9:45 a.m. (30 minutes earlier beginning in June). ♦ Church office 540 828-2767, email secretary@beavercreekchurchva.org, office hours 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday ♦ <http://beavercreekchurchva.org> ♦ Twitter: @beavercreekers ♦ Facebook: **Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren** and **Beaver Creek COB Youth**

Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren-February Calendar

February 2016						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29					

Scheduled church events in February:
February 2, 7 p.m. Women's Fellowship Sunset Group
February 7, Fidelis-Koinonia freewill offering lunch after worship, followed by Congregational Business Meeting
February 13, 2 p.m., Progressive Hearts party
February 18, 7 p.m., Leadership Team
February 21, All Church Birthday Party

<p>Birthdays in February: 1 Angie Rhodes, Maggie Newman, Jessie Hess 4 Ruth Smith 5 Faye Wampler, Deanne Dastoli, Pat Shiflet, Tom Simmons 6 Alex Wheelbarger 9 Ian Suter 10 David Simmons 13 Madelynn Jordan 15 Bob Hess, Chandler Jordan</p>	<p>16 Kate Corder 18 Jim Grove, Deborah Hoover 20 Douglas Wood, Jane Wood 22 Elizabeth Evans 23 Ty Cyzick, Phyllis Simmons 24 Roger Simmons 27 Denise Shiflet</p>
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Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren Leadership Team Meeting December 17, 2015

Present: Evy Kaye Sandin, Bill Wood, Candy Hulvey, Jeanette Hess, Theresa Eckard, Bill Eckard, Deborah Hoover, Charles Wright. Ex-officio: Glenn Bollinger – Pastor, Donna Miller – Treasurer, Dana Suter – Church Clerk. Absent: Jane Cyzick.

Evy Kaye called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Donna Miller led the group in devotions and a prayer. The minutes from last month's meeting and the Treasurer's report were approved. The master calendar was updated.

Focus Team Reports:

Christian Ed. & Discipleship: No report.

Facilities: Bill Eckard reported that Valley Roofing will be installing gutter guards in January. The price for additional shelving in the library is \$800. The Facilities Team has \$589 to go towards the price of the shelves. The line item Library & Films in the Christian Education & Discipleship Team's budget for \$200 will also go towards the shelving. The Facilities Team reports that the price of railing outside the side door of the church near the handicap parking will cost \$806.50.

Fellowship: Deborah Hoover reported that Brenda Cline has resigned from the Fellowship Team and they are looking for a replacement.

Finance: Charles reported that the Finance Team has completed a list of their duties/responsibilities and it will be placed in the church office. The Finance Team continues to look at suggestions made by Dan Martin, CPA. One suggestion they will be looking at is moving from using Quicken to Quick Books in the next year. A copy of Dan Martin's report was given to the Leadership Chair and Chair-Elect, both present and next years.

Outreach: Jeanette reported that money for the Heifer Project will be collected until the end of the year.

Ministry: No report.

Worship: Candy reported that the Christmas Eve Service is titled Come to Bethlehem. The Worship Team has talked with Adrienne Whiteside about returning to her position as the choir director. Due to work constraints, she would be thirty minutes late to choir practice, which is not an issue for the choir.

Deacon's Report: Donna reported that a Bread and Cup Communion is January 3.

Unfinished Business: Evy Kaye handed out copies of the results of the Facilities and the Spiritual Emphasis discussions. Evy Kaye and Roger Simmons met with Phil Stone, Jr. about the Spring Creek Town Hall property. Phil Stone suggested that Beaver Creek get a Quit Claim Deed against the property. Evy Kaye read a recommended resolution to present to the congregation at the February Congregational Business Meeting. Bill Wood made a recommendation to adopt the resolution and Candy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

New Business: Homecoming will be held in 2016 and a committee needs to be appointed. Bill Wood presented an idea for Homecoming 2016 to marry the usual Homecoming Sunday event with an Outreach event on Saturday of the same weekend. Bill suggested a possibility for chairing the committee. Evy Kaye reminded team members that Focus Team yearly reports are due to the church office by January 15. Evy Kaye reported that Jane Cyzick has resigned from the Christian Education & Discipleship Team. Evy Kaye read a letter from

the District Office stating that the District Ministerial Leadership Team would not be renewing Greg Evans Ministerial License, at his request.

Evy Kaye led the group in a prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dana Suter, Church Clerk

**Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren
Re-organizational Leadership Team Meeting
December 17, 2015**

Present: Bill Wood, Diane Miller, Darlene LaPrade, Misti Wheelbarger, John Jordan, Ann Healy, Debbie Bollinger, Charles Wright, Mike Suter, Theresa Eckard, Brad Eckard, Deborah Hoover, Bill Eckard, Bill Miller, Candy Hulvey, Rodger Simmons, Marlin Simmons. Ex-officio: Glenn Bollinger – Pastor, Donna Miller – Treasurer, Dana Suter – Church Clerk.

Bill Wood called the meeting to order at 7:54 pm.

The Focus Teams decided on a chairperson, secretary, and a Leadership Team Representative for their team. They are as follows:

Facilities: Roger Simmons – Chair, Marlin Simmons – Secretary, Bill Eckard – LT Representative

Finance: Carole Grove – Chair, Mike Suter – Secretary, Charles Wright – LT Representative

Ministry: Faye Wampler – Chair/Secretary, John Jordan, Theresa Eckard – LT Representative

Worship: Debbie Bollinger – Chair, Candy Hulvey – Secretary, Ann Healy – LT Representative

Outreach and Missions: Bill Miller – Chair, Jim Grove – Secretary, Diane Miller – LT Representative

Christian Education & Discipleship: Misti Wheelbarger – Chair, Darlene LaPrade – LT Rep., Vacancy

Fellowship: Deborah Hoover – Chair, Deanne Dastoli – LT Representative, Vacancy

Bill shared some notes on what to expect at upcoming Leadership Team meetings. Copies of the church polity were handed out to team members.

A suggestion from the Spiritual Emphases talks was to update the Beaver Creek Church brochure. Bill handed out an updated version of the brochure for review and asked team members to bring any additional suggestions to next month's meeting.

Bill asked the Leadership Team to authorize an internal review of the church's finances to be conducted at the discretion of the Finance Team, in keeping with the church polity's requirement of an annual audit. Charles made a motion to accept the proposal and Bill Eckard seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The next Leadership Team Meeting is January 21, 2016. The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dana Suter – Church Clerk

Upcoming events

Here are some upcoming events for your calendars:

- February 21 – All-Church Birthday Party
- February 28 – Walt Wiltchek sharing the morning sermon
- April 3 – Bible Guild Story Tellers during morning worship
- May 15 (evening) – Turner Ashby Singers
- September 9 – 11 – All-Church Retreat at Brethren Woods



Snow season

Here's how the church looked when the decision was made to cancel all January 24 activities. A major snowstorm had left more than 18 inches on the ground, with higher drifts up and down Beaver Creek Road. Decisions to cancel are made by the pastor in consultation with the church leadership, and are then announced via the telephone prayer chain, email prayer chain, WHSV-TV3, WSVA-500 and WSVA-92.1FM.

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Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren is a loving, caring and authentic fellowship of believers empowered by the Holy Spirit and called to be God's church: to worship, humbly serve others and proclaim Jesus Christ.

Bathroom signs changed



Following up on our facilities discussion last year, the Facilities Team has placed new signs on two of our existing restrooms. Before, we had two ladies' and two men's rooms. Now, the men's rooms on both levels have been converted to family bathrooms with the replacement of signs. The new signs are the international symbol for family (or "unisex") bathrooms.

There's one important rule for a family bathroom:

Lock the door when you are inside.

With this understanding, the newly designated family bathrooms can easily be used by men or women, or by parents taking care of small children.

This change should allow more efficient use of our restroom capacity. Previously, there were many times when there was a line for the ladies' room and the men's room was vacant.

One more note: There are now props on both of the new family bathrooms' doors, allowing for the door to be propped open for cleaning or at low-traffic times when the propped door makes clear that the bathroom is vacant.

Celebration set for 2017

Beaver Creek Church will be having a special celebration in 2017 on the 100th anniversary of the dedication of our current church building. The celebration will be combined with a homecoming and other activities. Ordinarily 2016 would have been a homecoming year, but the leadership team decided at its January meeting to take advantage of the 100th anniversary to schedule the special observance. People will be needed to plan and coordinate the celebration, so if you're interested contact Bill Wood or Pastor Glenn.

The current building is the third one used by the Beaver Creek congregation. It replaced a frame structure down the hill from the current site, which in turn replaced a smaller log structure that was destroyed by fire.

Lenten vespers return for 2016

We will be having vespers during the last three Saturdays leading up to Easter this year. Each vespers program will feature an informal meal, a campfire, songs around the fire and a meditation. Those dates are March 12, March 19 and March 26. This year's March 27 date for Easter is relatively early. (The earliest calendar date possible for Easter is March 22. The latest date is April 25.)

Beaver Creek bits

Adrienne Whiteside will be back as choir director this month. Thanks are due to Pastor Glenn for filling in meantime as director. ♦ Two more pews have been sent to the upholsterer for refurbishing. Additional donations toward this project are welcome. ♦ We're looking at the possibility of having a joint Vacation Bible School with Montezuma Church of the Brethren this summer.
