



Leadership Team appoints Elaine McGann interim pastor

Statement from the Leadership Team:

On behalf of the Leadership Team, we ask that you please welcome Elaine Hartman McGann as the interim pastor for Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren. She will be joining us for her first sermon on Sunday, June 4th. Elaine was honored at the most recent "Milestones in Ministry" observance by the Shenandoah District for her 30 years of ordained service to the denomination. Elaine is an experienced counselor and a skilled pastor. We look forward to her service.

Note from Elaine McGann:

Paul's words to the Philippians can be meaningful for us as we together begin a new chapter for the congregation gathered at Beaver Creek. "So is there is any encouragement in Christ, any incentive of love, any participation of the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfishness or conceit, but in humility count others better [Gk=different] than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his or her own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus. . ." [Phillippians 2:1-5 f]

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I come to you all again having been your interim pastor in 1985. We live on Route 33 West close to the VA Cooperative plant. Ted and I have lived here since 1974. We both attended Bridgewater College. I went on to attend Eastern Mennonite Seminary and received an MDiv. I completed a Ph. D. in Clinical Psychology in 2000. I have worked in various jobs including elementary school teacher, bookkeeping and payroll work, mental health professional and caretaker for our parents over 35 years. I have completed interims here in Shenandoah District, and have filled pulpits at many different churches.

I look forward to working with you as you feel the losses of your pastor and family and as you look to the future. May God guide our thoughts, prayers and actions in the coming times.



Summer hours begin!

Beaver Creek's summer hours begin on Sunday, June 4, with everything happening 30 minutes earlier:

- *Sunday School is at 9:15 a.m.*
- *Morning worship begins at 10:30 a.m.*

Summer hours allow us to get out of the building before it becomes too warm, especially on those hot summer days! Summer hours continue until after Homecoming in September.

Congregational survey: Fill out and return!

This week the Pastoral Search Committee sent out a congregational survey to the extended Beaver Creek family, asking for input on our goals and values. The results of the survey will be compiled and made available as we advertise our pastoral vacancy to the larger denomination.

Surveys are due back by June 11 to the box in the church vestibule. If you'd like to submit one and did not receive the paper form, just ask church secretary Tess Southerly for a copy. In addition to standard questions from the denomination, the survey asks what one thing about our congregation you would most want potential candidates to know. The Search Committee appreciates your participation in this important part of our search.

Come join us!

Worship starts at 10:30 a.m. ♦ Sunday School 9:15 a.m. (30 minutes later beginning in September). ♦ 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-June Calendar

June 2017						
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	30	

Scheduled church events in June:
 June 4, 8:45 a.m., Coffee fellowship, breakfast food
 June 6, 6 p.m., Women’s Fellowship Sunset Group
 June 14, 7 p.m. Worship Focus Team
 June 17, Father-Son recognition
 June 22, 7 p.m., Leadership Team meeting
 June 25, 3 p.m., Caregivers’ Circle
 July 2, Bread and cup communion at morning worship

Birthdays in June:

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| <p>1 Sheldon Simmons
 2 BJ Hess, Kenny Wheelbarger
 4 Heather Patterson
 5 Alice Over
 9 Harley Jordan
 10 John Jordan
 12 Amy Hoover</p> | <p>13 Candy Hulvey
 14 Nancy Simmons
 17 Sawyer Wilkins
 18 Michael Healy
 20 Mary G. Miller
 22 Heather Over, Waylon Wilkins
 25 Joe Mullens
 28 Marlin Simmons</p> |
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**Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren
 Leadership Team Meeting
 April 23, 2017**

Present: Brad Eckard, Joe LaPrade, Darlene LaPrade, Diane Miller, Bill Eckard, Theresa Eckard, Ann Healy, Reba Kline, Deborah Hoover, Jeanette Hess. Ex-officio: Glenn Bollinger – Pastor, Dana Suter – Church Clerk. Absent: Donna Miller – Treasurer.

Brad Eckard called the meeting to order at 12:56 pm.

Ann Healy led the group in devotions and a prayer.

The minutes from last month’s meeting were approved.

The Treasurer’s report was accepted. Joe asked LT members to look over the current reports that are rinted within the Treasurer’s report and decide if all these reports are needed by their individual focus teams or if the current report can be scaled back.

Calendar Update: Mother’s Day Banquet – May 13, First Sunday Offering May 7 – Brethren Disaster Response, Baptism Sunday – May 7.

Focus Team Reports:

Finance – Joe reported that the church has two CD’s that are coming due within the next three months. These CD’s are earning interest rates of .75% and 1.05%. The Finance Team wants to know if the LT is interested in exploring other alternatives for investing the money. Bill Eckard made a motion to request the Finance Team to investigate other alternatives for investing the money within the two CD’s to increase financial gain. Deborah Hoover seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Facilities- Bill Eckard reported that the Facilities Team will be eventually changing the locks on the parsonage and looking for a weather proof box to place outside for deliveries that are made when Tess is not in the church office. The new directional signs for the church are in the process of being printed.

Worship-Ann reported that Adrienne Whiteside and Deanne Dastoli have both agreed to return next year as Choir Director and Accompanist, respectively. The pulpit supply on May 28 will be John Glick, which is Beaver Creek’s representative in the pastoral search.

Outreach- Diane asked the LT to be thinking about the Beaver Creek Cares weekend which the Outreach Team is currently looking at the first weekend in November. The Outreach Team asks that anyone who knows of possible outreach opportunities to please let them know as soon as possible.

Christian Ed. & Discipleship- Darlene reported that Graduation Recognition Sunday is next Sunday, April 30.

Fellowship-Deb Hoover reported that there had been little feedback from the congregation on the All- Church Retreat. The Fellowship Team is considering a one day event with possible vespers in the evening rather than an overnight retreat. Other possibilities include a location change such as Natural Chimneys or a local park.

Pastor’s Report-Glenn reported that Tess is looking into changing the layout of the church directory. A sample page was handed out to members that showed the email addresses of each family within that box instead of having the email list at the back of the directory. A few other suggestions were given to Glenn as possible changes. Baptism classes are beginning this afternoon.

New Business:

The LT meeting will be held next month on May 28 at 1:00 pm.

Glenn had a list of things that Tess is currently taking care of but has Glenn to ask if there is a question. The LT Chair will serve as back up for Tess if there are questions or concerns after Glenn's departure. Focus Teams were asked to be sure to get information for the bulletin and slides to Tess. Brad gave an update on the search for an interim pastor. A pastoral search committee has been formed with eight members. The members are Evy Kaye Sandin, Charles Wright, Megan LaPrade, Kenny Wheelbarger, Chris Dastoli, Bill Wood, Bill Miller, and Theresa Eckard. Brad reported that several members of the congregation had approached him about the agreement with Glenn and Debbie to pay rent to remain in the parsonage during the renovation of the home they have purchased. After further thought and discussion by the LT on this matter, a motion was made by Joe to let Glenn and Debbie stay in the parsonage through August rent free with utilities being paid as they are currently—either by the church or Glenn. No one on the LT was sure who was responsible for utilities. Theresa seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The next Leadership Team meeting is May 28 at 1:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dana Suter, Church Clerk

Bollingers honored on May 21

Beaver Creek Church held a celebration of friendship and ministry in honor of the Bollingers' 24 years of service on May 21. Pastor Glenn was "roasted" by many who shared funny stories. Presentation of gifts was followed by cutting of a cake that had a picture of the whole family electronically printed into the icing.

Photos by
Douglas Wood



Note from the Bollingers

To our Beaver Creek Family:

We want to thank everyone for the amazing love and kindness you have shown to us.

It is hard to believe that it has been over 24 years since we moved back to the Shenandoah Valley to become a part of Beaver Creek Church. It is difficult to know that we won't be seeing everyone each week but we cherish the friends and friendships that we know will continue. It has meant so much to us the way in which we have been supported in this transition which will mean big changes for all of us. Often when a pastor changes congregations, it means a move to a new state or district. We feel blessed to be moving less than twenty miles away. This means we will continue to cross paths from time to time. We take great comfort in the words of a song written by Michael W. Smith, "Friends are friends forever, if the Lord's the Lord of them."

With love from all of us! Glenn, Debbie, Andrew and Josh

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Brad Eckard, 2017
Leadership Team Chair

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.

Baby dedications held May 14



Baby Lauren and Baby Cooper were dedicated on Mother's Day, May 14, as parents took vows and the congregation pledged to support these youngsters and their growing families. Congratulations to all!

Father-Son occasion set

The ladies of the church will be honoring all the guys (anyone who is anyone's father or anyone's son) on June 17, the day before Father's Day. Plans include a special meal, presentation and prizes. Details will be announced in church and on the prayer chain.

New format for August event

The Fellowship Team is using a new format for our outdoor event this August 11-12. Instead of a 2-1/2 day retreat at camp, there will be a two-day event at Natural Chimneys with praise songs around the campfire, a carry-in picnic and swimming. Stay tuned for details!

Note of thanks from Evy Kaye

On behalf of Miles, Randall and I want to express our deepest gratitude for your love, prayers, visits, cards, calls, food, flowers and all acts of kindness shown to us during Miles' cancer journey and afterward. Your support during these times will never be forgotten. I thank each of you from the bottom of my heart. With my love and God's blessing, Evy Kaye

Beaver Creek bits

◆ Coffee fellowship time with breakfast foods is set for 9:15 a.m. (before Sunday School) June 4. ◆ The first Sunday offering this month will go to AVA Care of Harrisonburg. ◆ If you know of a local charity or nonprofit that could use help with a service project this November 3-4, let Diane Miller know! "Beaver Creek Cares" weekend can help. ◆ The Men's Fellowship steak dinner is now scheduled for September 30, 2017.
