



# Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren

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July

2019

## “July Flip” of Sunday times is planned

9:30 a.m.:  
Worship time  
10:30 a.m.:  
Sunday School  
or “Talk Back”

Beaver Creek Church will start its worship service at 9:30 a.m. and Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. for the four Sundays of July. As Pastor Elaine asked in her newsletter meditation last month, “What would the listeners, the congregation, say if they could ‘talk back’ to what I have just preached? Sure, I watch faces in the congregation as I preach. As they leave, some people make comments to me about the sermon. I would like for there to be a time and place for more interaction with the congregation. So I proposed to the Worship Team that we take one month-July to switch Sunday School and worship times. The idea is that following worship time [9:30] people can choose to attend [at 10:30] their regular Sunday School class or stay in the sanctuary and participate in “talk back” to the sermon. Leadership Team approved this idea.”

JULY 2019						
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	31			

[Note for June: Men’s Fellowship meets at 7:15 a.m. Saturday, June 29, Thomas House-Dayton]

### Scheduled church events this month:

Each Sunday: Worship Time 9:30 a.m.,  
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

July 2, 6:30 p.m., Women’s Fellowship Sunset Group

July 3-7, Church of the Brethren Annual Conference  
in Greensboro, North Carolina

July 7, 9 a.m., First Sunday Breakfast

July 18, 7 p.m., leadership team

### Birthdays this month:

- 1 Sherrill Wright
- 2 Becca Shiflet, Krystal Mays
- 8 Bill Miller, Chris Grove
- 9 Lori Grove
- 10 Gail Miller
- 11 Raelynn Whitmore

- 12 Andrew Bollinger
- 18 Kenny Rhodes
- 20 John Wright
- 22 Waylon Wilkins
- 25 Sylvia Brunk
- 27 Bonnie Sue Eckard
- 29 Connor Hensley, Michael Over

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### May Leadership Team Minutes highlights (full minutes available in the church office)

May 16, 2019

**Matters for Leadership Team:** Amy reported that the Christian Ed. Team is working to secure Sunday School teachers for the fall. Marlin brought forth the following recommendations for use of the church facilities: (1) The facilities should not be used for profit. (2) Any questions regarding the use should go through the Leadership Team. (3) Reservations for the church facilities should be made through the church office. The recommendations were approved. Mike reported that the audit committee has completed their review and a report was given to the Finance Team.

**Search Committee:** Bill reported that the committee is in the interview stage. [An update on the process was delivered, including the need to replace a member of the search committee who will be shifting because of an upcoming marriage.] A motion was made to fill the vacancy on the search committee. The motion was seconded and approved. Chris will follow up.

**New Business:** A recommendation was brought forth from Bill that domain registration and hosting be moved from a church member’s personal web account to a separate account owned by the church and hosted at SiteGround. It was seconded by Kenny. Bill will set up everything with Tess. This proposal does not change our webcast. The recommendation was approved.

Bill brought forth a proposal from the Worship Team to flip the order of service and Sunday School for the month of July. This may add some life to our Sunday School program as well as give an opportunity for discussion on the sermon. There was discussion of the pros and cons of flipping. It was decided to try it for the month of July and get feedback from members. Elaine was asked to address this in the next newsletter. The proposal was approved.

A choir director will be needed for the fall. This falls under Worship team to seek out and hire a new director.

**Come  
join  
us!**

For July 2019, worship starts at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday and Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. ♦  
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Chris Dastoli, 2019  
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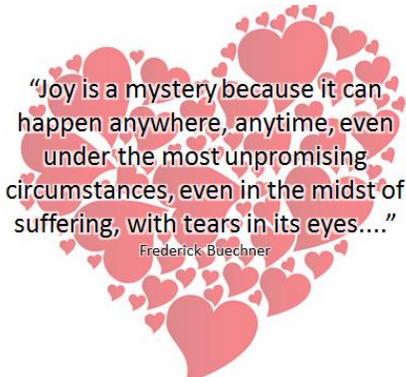
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*Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren is a loving, caring and authentic fellowship of believers empowered by the Holy Spirit and called to be God's church: to worship, humbly serve others and proclaim Jesus Christ.*

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### **Lifting Praise to the One God, Lord of All**

Elaine Hartman McGann  
July 2019



"Joy is a mystery because it can happen anywhere, anytime, even under the most unpromising circumstances, even in the midst of suffering, with tears in its eyes...."

Frederick Buechner

God has done marvelous things,  
I too, I too sing praises with a new song!  
Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom sing to the Lord a new song!  
Daughter and son! Loud praising members sing to the Lord a new song!  
God has done marvelous things,  
I too, I too sing praises with a new song!"

Herbert Brokering, 1964, *Twelve Folksongs and Spirituals*, 1968, *Hymnal*, p. 47

"Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets sing to the Lord a new song!

Oh, victory! Loud hosts of heaven sing to the Lord a new song!

God has done marvelous things,  
I too, I too sing praises with a new song!

Engines and steel! Loud pounding hammers sing to the Lord a new song!

Limestone and beams! Loud building workers sing to the Lord a new song!



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### **Note of thanks from Jeanette**

A big thank you to the Pathfinders Sunday School class and the individuals that donated a total of \$220 to my "Hike-a-thon" for Brethren Woods. The money went to support the Outdoor Ministries program there.

—Jeanette Hess

### **Vacation Bible School fun**

Becky leads her group at the "Roar" Vacation Bible School held by Beaver Creek, Montezuma and Dayton at the Dayton Church of the Brethren. The theme of the materials was "Life is Wild; God is Good." Thanks are due to all who participated and all who helped!

Photo by Douglas Wood



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### **Beaver Creek bits**

◆ Coffee fellowship time with breakfast is at 9 a.m. July 7. ◆ Save the dates! All Church Retreat is set for Natural Chimneys August 9-11 (J Loop sites and picnic shelter; catered picnic is set for Saturday followed by informal vespers). ◆

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