



Annual “Beaver Creek Cares” set for Nov. 15-16



**November 15-16,
2019**

Beaver Creek’s annual service weekend is coming up! On the night of Friday, November 15, the weekend will begin at 6 p.m. with a hot dog roast, campfire and evening vespers in song. Those who want to camp out overnight are invited to bring their tents or campers to the field behind the picnic shelter. That night, the youth will be shopping for our Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.

On Saturday morning, all participants will meet for an 8 a.m. breakfast and then work together on service projects arranged by the Outreach and Missions Focus Team. There will be lunch at 12:30 p.m. Saturday for everyone that has helped. Then on Sunday we’ll have reflection time and prayers for those we serve.

Signup sheets for participants will be available in the church vestibule. If you have questions, contact Diane Miller.

Pastoral transition continues

Beaver Creek Church’s pastoral transition continues through early next month, with Pastor Ryan Cooper set to take over on November 11. Meanwhile, our sermons will be delivered by pinch pastor Ron Wyrick and several members of the congregation. Pastor Ron began his service with the September 15 message “Where Are You?” This sermon was based on Genesis 3 and Luke 15.



Business meeting to follow carry-in

Our annual Congregational Business Meeting is set for October 27 after our worship service and a carry-in lunch. Agenda items include:

- Cemetery and Church Trustee elections and reaffirmations
- Election of leadership from a slate assembled by the Gifts and Calling Team
- Approval of a new budget for Calendar Year 2020

Calling all crafters and bakers!

Our annual Christmas auction will be held December 7 in the Fellowship Hall to benefit the service and outreach projects of the Women’s Fellowship. If you’re a crafter or baker, you can help make this auction a success.

The Women’s Fellowship would like to ask you to be thinking about what you might be able to contribute. Possibilities include canning, wild harvest, woodwork, locally grown plants and crafts. Here are some suggestions about items to contribute:

- Hand-crafted items including woodworking projects, sewing projects, general crafts and original art always sell well.
- Consider donating items from your kitchen including home-baked and home-canned goods. Think about adding ribbons or other decorations to make these items especially suitable for gift-giving. Nice containers work well for many things.
- It is better to prepare a few premium items than many small items – a full plate of cookies, for example, rather than many small plastic bags with a few cookies in each.
- Theme baskets with many related items are a good idea.

Bring your donations to the Fellowship Hall. On the night of the auction the Outreach Class sells a great selection of food before the auction begins. Food will not be available after the auction begins at 7 p.m.



The younger set checks out 2018 auction items.

Come join us!

Worship starts at 11 a.m. ♦ Sunday School 9:45 a.m. (30 minutes earlier June through August). ♦ 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-Monthly Calendar

October 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		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		

Scheduled church events this month:

- October 1, 6:30 p.m., Women’s Fellowship Sunset Group**
- October 6, 9:15 a.m., coffee fellowship with breakfast food**
- October 6, 6 p.m., Love Feast with full communion (note new time)**
- October 17, 7 p.m., Leadership Team**
- October 27, Women’s Fellowship freewill luncheon after 11 a.m. worship, followed by Congregational Business Meeting**
- October 31, 5-7 p.m., CROP Meal at Bridgewater College**

Birthdays this month:

- 1 Chris Dastoli**
- 5 Debbie Bollinger**
- 7 Doug Rhodes**
- 9 Megan LaPrade, Jared Eckard**
- 12 Adam Wampler**

16 Nikki Hoover

- 18 Norma Suter, Joyce Wright**
- 25 Valerie Wampler, Jeanne Wright**
- 27 Glenn Bollinger, Denny Wright**
- 28 Chase Dunn, Tess Southerly**
- 30 Tim Grove, Scott Suter**

CROP Walk set for November 3

Editor’s note: This is from local CROP Hunger Walk coordinator Robbie Miller.



This is the 50th anniversary of CROP Hunger Walks (see <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/Static/About-Us>) that help end hunger by raising funds to support local food programs and the international anti-hunger work of Church World Service. For over 30 years, Bridgewater College and the local community has sponsored what is now called the Bridgewater/Dayton Area CROP Hunger Walk.

In recognition of the CROP Hunger Walk’s 50th anniversary, we invite your church to participate in this year’s CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, November 3 at 2 p.m. at the Bridgewater Town Center. All materials are provided and all that’s needed is one individual from your church to promote and recruit for the BC CROP Meal and CROP Hunger Walk in your congregation. If interested in participating or more information, please contact me at rmiller@bridgewater.edu.

Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren Leadership Team Meeting August 15, 2019

Present: Theresa Eckard, Deborah Hoover, Joe LaPrade, Marlin Simmons, Zack Wampler, Bill Wood. Ex-Officio: Elaine McGann – Interim Pastor, Darlene LaPrade – Church Clerk. Absent: Chris Dastoli, Amy Saum, Kenny Wheelbarger, Donna Miller – Treasurer.

Zack called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and opened with devotions.

The minutes from the July meeting were approved.

Calendar Roundtable: August 18 – Trial sermon by candidate for pastor. If called and accepted, new pastor will begin on November 11. Ron Wyrick will act as a pinch pastor for Beaver Creek on September 15, & 20, October 6,20, & 27. We will need coverage on September 1, & 8, October 13, November 3, & 10.

Homecoming speaker will be Ken Wright. The homecoming committee will be responsible for all other planning. October 6 – Love Feast, September 28 – Men’s Fellowship Steak Dinner. Will need extra help that day.

Treasurer’s Report – There was a lengthy discussion about the Treasurer’s duties and the possibility of changing the bank that we use. There are some constitutional/polity issues involved. A motion was made that Zack will talk to the Administrative Assistant to see if she would be willing to act as Treasurer until the polity issues can be cleaned up. The motion was seconded and passed. A motion was made to make a change in the Treasurer position. The motion was seconded and approved. There was no motion to approve the Treasurer’s report.

Search Committee Report: The committee has chosen a candidate for consideration by the congregation. There will be a Meet & Greet on Saturday, August 17, from 6 – 8 p.m. The candidate will have a trial sermon on Sunday, August 18. After a carry-in meal, the congregation will vote on accepting the candidate with a 2/3 vote to pass. If the candidate is approved and he accepts the call, the congregation will vote on the financial package for the new pastor.

Zack read a letter from Mike Suter and John Hoover stating that a review of the church accounts was conducted.

Pastor's Report: Elaine distributed the Pastor's report (copy on file in the church office). Elaine also suggested that the church hire a cleaning service to clean the parsonage and trim up the yard before a new pastoral family moves in. The money from the rental of the parsonage could be used for this.

Old Business: The Worship Team continues to search and advertise for a choir director.

New Business: The order of worship has been set. Tess has this information.

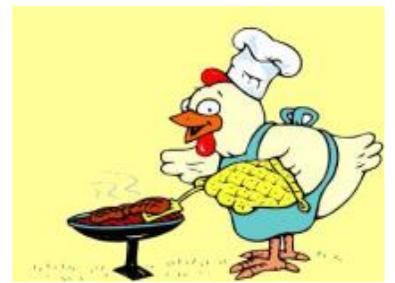
The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Next Meeting – September 19, 2019

Darlene LaPrade – Church Clerk

Chicken barbecue set for October 26

The Men's Fellowship will be barbecuing chicken on the morning of October 26. Helpers are needed beginning at 4:30 a.m. Chicken will be sold beginning around 9:30 a.m. at the Montezuma Ruritan Park and in downtown Bridgewater. All proceeds benefit the service and outreach programs of the Men's Fellowship.



Homecoming 2019 at Beaver Creek Church



Pastor Kenneth Wright delivered Beaver Creek's 2019 Homecoming sermon, "My Plan vs. God's Plan," based on Matthew 6:31-34. Ken, who is the son of John and Joyce Wright, shared his story of being an educator and educational administrator who was called into ministry later in life than many are. Ken provided some guides on seeking God's will, illustrating with his experience. Ken's cousin Brad Eckard served as worship leader.

Photos by Douglas Wood and Bill Wood



Clockwise, starting above: There was time for socializing and food worth standing in line for; Chris had a helper close by when telling the children's story; and Pastor Ken delivered a powerful message.

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Chris Dastoli, 2019
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.

Love Feast October 6 at new time

Beaver Creek Church will have its traditional Love Feast with full communion at 6 p.m. on October 6, World Communion Sunday. This time is an hour earlier than it has been in the past to allow for better light for travel, especially for those less comfortable with driving in the dark. The new time also aligns the Love Feast meal (beef, cheese, bread, broth, grapes and dried fruit) better with the dinner hour for most of our members. Childcare will be provided. If you need transportation, please notify Bill Wood or any member of the Deacon Board.

CROP Meal set for October 31

On Thursday, October 31 from 5 to 7 p.m., members of local churches are invited to the Bridgewater College CROP Meal in the college's Kline Campus Center Dining Hall, with all proceeds going to Church World Service's hunger programs around the world. *Beaver Creek note: Please contact the church office at 828-2767 to let Tess know if you're planning to come to the CROP Meal. Tess will reserve tables for us based on the count.*

Instant choir idea considered

As our search for a choir director continues, the worship team is asking for input on an idea for reconvening the choir on a limited basis. The idea is to have an "instant choir" practicing right after the Sunday worship services for 10 minutes, two Sundays in a row, followed by singing in worship on the next Sunday. Relatively simple music would be used and everyone would be welcome to sing with the instant choir, especially those who have not sung with the choir before. Please let Ann Healy or Deanne Dastoli know whether you'd be willing to participate. We can start Sept. 29 if there is enough interest.

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Meanwhile, nominations and self-nominations for the position of choir director remain open. Candidates should have some training or experience in choral and sacred music, but an extensive background is not necessary. Duties include music selection, leading of rehearsal, directing the choir about two times per month September through May, and leading congregational singing on choir days. The choir rehearses at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, with a short break after Christmas. New voices are always welcome! Anyone interested in the choir director's position should contact Reba Kline (klinereba at gmail.com). The position is budgeted for a \$2000 honorarium, paid in equal monthly installments September through May.

Beaver Creek bits

◆ Coffee fellowship time with breakfast is at 9:15 a.m. October 6. ◆ The First Sunday offerings for October and November go to Operation Christmas Child. ◆ Shoebox packing for Operation Christmas Child will take place as part of Beaver Creek Cares weekend on November 16.
