

Bush Creek Church of the Brethren
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***Issue of "The Bridge"
What's Happening at Bush Creek***



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Pastor Dawn Weller***

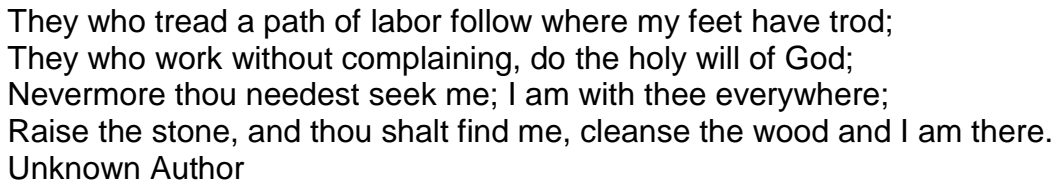
***office@bushcreekchurch.org – Church office
<http://bushcreekchurch.org/> - website***

***Sunday School – 9:30 – 10:15 am
Worship – 10:30 am – 11:30 am***

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***CENTRAL VISION FOR BUSH CREEK
CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN***

***Because of our commitment to Jesus Christ,
we are a spiritual family who loves all people.***



A collection of illustrations for a Labor Day poem. The illustrations include: a woman carrying a child on her back, a man holding a 'SALE' sign next to a stack of money, a man working with a hammer and nails, a man in a lab coat holding a clipboard, a man in a firefighter's uniform, a man in a blue shirt working on a machine, and a man in a red vest holding a tray with a drink.



+ Bible Study – Every Thursday evening starts Sept. 1 – 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Bring your Bible and join this Bible Study led by Gary White in the sanctuary and currently studying I Timothy

+Women's Fellowship will hold a quarterly meal and meeting, Sept. 14 @ noon. All are welcome to attend.

+ Bible Study - Wednesday morning Bible Study will resume Sept. 14 @ 10 am in the fellowship hall led by Jean Hipkins. Please see Jean for further information.

+ Commissions Reminder – Comm. meetings will be Tues., Sept. 6 @ 7 pm due to the Labor Day holiday. Please inform the church office if your commission will **NOT** be meeting. Thank you.

+American Red Cross Blood Drive Dates: Sept. 27, Oct. 25, Nov. 29 & Dec. 13. Please mark your calendars.

+Fellowship Team – Anyone interested in joining the Fellowship Team, please see either Nancy Pastor or Donna Nunn. The team works together to plan opportunities for fellowship within the congregation. We are also eager to hear your suggestions for opportunities to fellowship together.

+2022 Church of the Brethren Annual Conf. – A written wrap up of Annual Conf. is located on the bulletin board plus copies on the program table by mailboxes. If interested in borrowing the conference wrap-up DVD, it is located outside the church office to sign out for one week and return. Thank you.

+Address Directory updates are available on the program table to insert in your directories at home. Additional copies are located on the program table. A complete directory will be published November 2022.

+Crisis in Ukraine – The Church of the Brethren response will support partners such as Church World Service (CWS), the ACT Alliance, European Baptist Churches, or Mennonite groups. The response will focus on people and locations that are underserved and have the greatest need for aid. To support the Ukraine Crisis Response, make checks payable to Bush Creek Church and put in memo line – **Crisis in Ukraine.** – Missions & Service Comm. (***Thank you for all donations received so far.***)



September 5 – Enjoy a safe and happy holiday!



+Membership Class/Baptism – Anyone interested in being part of a membership/baptism class, please contact Pastor Dawn.

Sept. 25 Message - *I will be delivering the third and final message on the Book of Ruth from the pulpit on Sept. 25. The exciting conclusion to this inspiring true story will reassure all of us that the Lord can and will take a seemingly “nobody” with limited skills and little talent and with just our mustard seed size faith He can make us, as He made Ruth, fit to be a heavenly bride. –Art Frank*

53rd Annual

Dunker Church Service



Sunday, September 18, 2022 3:00 pm

at the historic

Dunker Meetinghouse

on the Antietam National Battlefield, near Sharpsburg, MD

Speaker **Carl Bowman**

Church of the Brethren sociologist and historian
from the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia and the University of Virginia

The Hagerstown Men's Chorus

will provide special music

This will be the 53rd annual worship service to commemorate the peace witness of Brethren and Anabaptists in the Cumberland Valley during the American Civil War. The service will be led by various local ministers and lay members of Mid-Atlantic District.

We are hoping to be able to meet inside the meetinghouse this year, dependent on Covid-19 infection rates.

For more information contact Ed Poling at 301-766-9005 or elpoling1@gmail.com

**Preaching:**

Sept. 04 – Pastor Dawn
Sept. 11 – Pastor Dawn
Sept. 18 – Pastor Dawn
Sept. 25 – Brother Art Frank

Worship Assistant:

Devin Clark
Anna Mae Poole
Art Frank
Jennifer Smith

Greeter(s):

Mike & Kathie Tucker
Randy Toms
Jan & Chip Stitley
Joy Culver

Month of September Dates to Remember:

09/01 – Bible Study @ 6:30 pm
09/05 – Labor Day Holiday – Church offices closed
09/06 – Commission meetings @ 7 pm.
09/09 – Dinner mailing
09/14 – Bible Study @ 10 am
09/14 – Women's Fellowship meal & meeting – noon
09/19 – Girl Scout Leaders meeting @ 6:30 pm – fellowship hall
09/27 – American Red Cross Blood Drive – fellowship hall
09/27 – Deacon meeting & make communion bread @ 6 pm

**OCTOBER:**

October 02 – World Communion Sunday – Love Feast & Communion @ 6:30 pm
Special Communion presentation during morning worship service
October 03 – Board Meeting @ **6 pm** (note change of time)
October 10 – Girl Scout Leaders Meeting @ 6:30 pm
October 22 – Turkey, Oyster & Ham Dinner – 12 noon – 5 pm
October 23 – Homecoming Worship Service with guest speaker – Pastor Fred Bernhard -
Meal to follow worship
October 25 – American Red Cross Blood Drive in fellowship hall
October 30 – Fall Council packages presented to congregation

NOVEMBER:

November 05 – Bazaar
November 06 – Memorial Sunday
November 06 – Daylight Saving Time Ends – Clocks Fall Back
November 07 – Commission meetings @ 7 pm.
November 13 – Fall Council meeting following worship
November 14 – Girl Scout Leader meeting @ 6:30 pm
November 24 – Thanksgiving Day
November 29 – American Red Cross Blood Drive



Welcome to new church members **Tammy Main, Julia Madrid and Maddox Madrid.**

Tammy (pictured above right), Julia (pictured above left) and Maddox (pictured above middle) were baptized by Pastor Dawn Weller on Sunday, August 7 in the Bush Creek sanctuary.

If you have not had the opportunity to introduce yourself to these brothers and sisters in Christ, please do so, and give them a big Bush Creek welcome.

Turkey, FRIED Oyster & Country Ham Dinner

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Saturday, October 22, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Menu includes mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, sauerkraut, cranberry sauce, dressing, cole slaw, rolls, butter, ice tea, hot tea and coffee.



Adults - \$30 *

****Subject to change depending upon market price of oysters***

Children 6 – 12 - \$8 Under 6 – Free

Carry-Out - \$1.00 extra



RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION

Christian Education News

+Elementary and Young Adults Sunday School will be September 4 & 18.

+Christian Education is seeking a teacher for the Elementary Sunday School class. This teacher will co-teach with Jessica Dixon twice a month. See Crystal Herbert or Jessica Dixon for more information, or if you are interested. Thank you.



+Adult Sunday School - The Sunday morning Bible Class, meeting in the Fellowship Hall, is currently in an extensive study on what Jesus "...continued to do..." in the world through the Holy Spirit in believers after His resurrection and ascension. That indispensable Scriptural account is called The Book of Acts. It records the birth of the church and its maturity as 'she' grows amidst persecution and hatred. We will see the unstoppable power of The Gospel as it ripples further and further out from Jerusalem to Asia and to Europe and beyond. Please join Anna Mae Poole, Jean Hipkins, Sam Weinberg and Art Frank as they present this astonishing God inspired Book.

+Children's Church Worship will be held each Sunday during the worship hour. Please contact the Christian Education Commission if you'd like to volunteer for a Sunday. **VOLUNTEERS are needed to assist in teaching – please see Crystal Herbert.**

+Nursery will be available during the worship hour from 10:15 until 11:30 am for children from 0-4 y/o. The nursery is located to the right at top of the stairs at the end of the hall.



September 11, 2022



+The Greater Urbana Food Bank is always accepting non-perishable food items. If you would like to contribute, please put donations in the container in the coat room. Financial support of the food bank is greatly appreciated along with grocery store certificates. **THANK YOU - The Food Bank sends their appreciation to the Bush Creek congregation for the generous monetary donations along with the school supplies recently received. – Missions & Service Commission**

+Storage Room – Fellowship Hall. An expansion of the storage in the fellowship hall has been approved by our Church Board of Admin. The new storage area will be located on the south side of the fellowship hall wall and used to store tables, chairs and kitchen equipment. The storage room measurements will be 11 ft. x 33 ft. An estimate on this project is \$50 - \$60,000. If you would like to make a financial contribution, please make checks payable to Bush Creek COB and mark it “storage room”. *(Thank you for all donations received so far).*

+Tithing - Thank you for tithing in praise and honor of our Lord and Savior. If viewing the worship service from your home, please feel free to send your love gift addressed to Bush Creek Church of the Brethren, 4821A Green Valley Rd., Attn: Financial Sec., Monrovia, Md. 21770.

+Giving opportunities for consideration are listed below. Please give prayerful thought to financial support to any of these programs by making a check payable to Bush Creek Church, and put a note in the memo line so your gift can be directed.

**Brethren Disaster Ministries (BDM), Brethren Volunteer Service (BVS)
Church World Service Blanket Program, Fahrney-Keedy Home & Village
Heifer International, Meat Canning, Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response
Shepherd’s Spring Outdoor Ministries**

**If you have a prayer concern,
please feel free to contact
Pastor Dawn Weller
@ email (dwn1230@gmail.com)
or cell phone 240-367-0494**

Sympathy to the family of:
*Pastor Charlie Beekley (former pastor of Bush Creek COB)
Virgil Earp (BMD volunteer)
Bruce Henry (*Pastor Becky Henry’s husband)
Tommy Puckett (Jeff Musselman’s brother-in-law)*