

## 2026 Women's Spring Fellowship Event

On Saturday, March 21, 2026, the Women of ANE District gathered at the Lancaster Church of the Brethren for our Spring Fellowship Event. There were 88 of us in attendance.



The day was filled with meaningful moments—reconnecting with old friends, making new ones, and lifting our voices together in hymn singing in both English and Spanish. We were blessed by special music from Wendy Allhouse and enjoyed a delicious lasagna lunch graciously provided by Lancaster.



Our speaker this year was Ann Van Hine. Ann lost her husband Bruce, a New York City firefighter, on September 11, 2001. Her Scripture was Psalm 46:10 – “Be Still and Know that I am God.” She shared with us, during two sessions, her last conversation with her husband, finding out about the attack on the Twin Towers, waiting for the news about her husband, and caring for her two daughters.

Ann was honest and open as she shared her story and answered any questions that we had. We could not help but be inspired and changed by her faith in God and her unwavering trust in Him through this horrific time. She shared with us how important it was to listen to the stillness, to experience God's presence and voice, to follow Him every single day, and to trust in Him always.



We even took time to practice stillness together, quietly coloring at our tables—a gentle but moving reminder that God is at work even in the quiet moments.

Many thanks to the Lancaster Church of the Brethren for hosting us! It was a beautiful, sunny day and we were so blessed to be together.

We hope you'll be able to come to Women's Fellowship's next event: Women's Camp at Camp Swatara on August 14-15! The theme will be “Our Comeback Stories” (based on the Book of Ruth), and our speaker is Marie Monville.

Scholarships are available for Women's Camp. You can find the guidelines on the [ANE website](#). Applications are due June 1.

-Karen Hackett