

MINISTERS - ALL MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION

PASTORAL & OFFICE STAFF

Pastor.....Joel Gibbel, pastor@yorkfirst.org
Minister of Visitation.....Kim Witkovsky, witkovskyks@gmail.com
Church Admin Asst.....Karen Bowman, secretary@yorkfirst.org

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Music Director & Accompanist.....Rebecca Wolf
Assistant Director.....John Gibble
Worship Leaders.....Marty & Mark Reigle
Special Music.....Christine Wuhrman
Children's Time.....Pastor Joel Gbble
Audio/Visual.....Justin Tomevi, Roy Rollman
Ushers.....**Leader – Barry Stehr**
.....John Miller, Justin Tomevi, Rob Wuhrman
Coffee/Hospitality.....Kathy Kovacs
Greeters Today.....Leonard & Helen Stoner
Greeter Next Week.....Onalee Fisher
Nursery Care.....Michelle Sauder

DEACONS are available and their responsibilities include assisting the pastor with the care of the congregation. If you have a need, please contact your deacon or the church office.

Please see one of our ushers at the entrance to the sanctuary prior to worship if you need **LARGE PRINT bulletins or hymnals**.

Hearing Assistance Devices are available from the A/V booth in the back of the sanctuary.

Activity bags for children to use during worship are available as you enter the sanctuary. **Nursery care** is available and the “worship nursery” in the rear of the sanctuary is open for use anytime.

The church issues a **weekly e-newsletter** each Friday.

To subscribe, please email secretary@yorkfirst.org

To receive the **prayer chain emails**, please contact the church office.

Worship attendance last Sunday: 76

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

“Downward into Greatness”

Luke 22:24-27, John 13: 12-17



August 9, 2026



Continuing the work of Jesus
Peacefully
Simply
Together

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YORK FIRST CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
*"To become a community of committed Christians
who Love God, Share Christ, and Serve the World"*

10:30 AM

August 9, 2026

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE *"Allemande from Suite no. 1 in G major"*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: O God, our refuge and strength, who loved us first,
whose love we know in your Son, may we keep your
commandment, that we love one another as you loved us.

**All: May we love tenderly those nearest to us as well as
those deemed "enemies". May we love tenderly by
being willing to risk hurt, pain and conflict in order to
lift up the Body of Christ.**

One: O God, who loves us, may we, like Jesus, turn the other
cheek, seeking to heal and bind each other's wounds.

**All: Help us to help each other, each other's love to share;
to offer aid and feel another's care.**

One: Help us to build each other up, to help each one improve,
following the example of the Man of Galilee.

**All: So that, loving tenderly, we may become a beloved
community of your people, who keep your
commandment to love one another as you have loved
us.**

***HYMN** *"God of grace and God of glory"* 366

***INVOCATION**

CHILDREN'S TIME

TIME FOR SHARING: Church of the Brethren Annual Conference

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Luke 22:24-27 (Page 916)

John 13:12-17 (Page 937)

MESSAGE "Downward into Greatness"

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** *"Will you let me be your servant"* 307

TIME FOR GIVING

Invitation to Giving

Offertory *"Minuet 1&2 from Suite no. 1 in G major"*

*Offering Response *"Praise God from whom"* 119(v1)

*Offering Prayer

***SENDING SONG** *"Heart with loving heart united"* 420

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *"Draw Me Close"* Carpenter

We kindly request that you be seated for the Postlude or leave
quietly so that others may appreciate the conclusion of the service.

*Please stand in body or spirit.

This Week at a Glance:

Thurs 8/13 8:30 am Soup Kitchen –
(Casseroles due at church by 8:30)
Sun 8/16 9:00 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service – Sanctuary
Food Pantry Collection
Blessing of the Backpacks

Note: Pastor Joel will be out of the office August 10-16.

You may use this QR code
to access our church's online giving

