

FIRST CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

*"To become a community of committed Christians
who Love God, Share Christ, and Serve the World"*

10:30 AM

June 22, 2025

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE *"Resurrection Medley"* arr. Mark Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help
 in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear.

One: Though the earth should change, though the
 mountains shake in the heart of the sea, though its
 waters roar and foam.

**People: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob
 is our refuge.**

One: Come, behold the works of the Lord. He makes wars
 cease to the ends of the earth;

People: He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;

One: Be still, and know that I am God!

People: The Lord of hosts is with us; we shall not fear!

All: The God of Jacob is our refuge.

***HYMN** *"When the storms of life are raging" (vs. 1-4)* #558

*PRAYER (together)

O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives,
bringing new life out of destruction, hope out of despair,
growth out of difficulty. We thank you that you do not
leave us alone but labor to make us whole. Help us to
perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives,
and to attend to the gentle guidance of your Spirit, that
we may know the joy you give your people. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. Christy Waltersdorff

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME TO VBS - Waves of Wonder!

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 23 (Page 476)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Joys and Concerns

Hymn *"Precious Lord, take my hand" (vs. 1&2)* #575

Prayer

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 14:22-33 (Page 849)

MESSAGE "It's me! Don't be afraid!"

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Time for Joy"* Gerry Limpic

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Giving

Offertory *"Come To Jesus"* Rice & Elwell

*Sung Response *"Praise God from whom" (vs.1)* #119

*Prayer (together)

**Gracious God, help us to appreciate how much we profit
from the discipline of giving and how much we gain by
expending ourselves in Christly love. Enable us to offer to
you what we value most. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN** *"Strong, righteous man of Galilee"* #540

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE *"Lord, I Need You"* arr. Mark Hayes

*Please stand in body or spirit.

**MINISTERS - ALL MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION
PASTORAL & OFFICE STAFF**

Interim Ministries Coordinator.....Kim Witkovsky
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Church Admin. Asst......Karen Bowman, secretary@yorkfirst.org

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Guest Preacher.....Rev. Christy Waltersdorff
Music Director & Accompanist.....Rebecca Wolf
Worship Leader.....Beth Anne Bahn
Special Music.....Dan Snook
Children's Time.....Rev. Christy Waltersdorff
Audio/Visual.....Dave McCracken, Jay Crist
Ushers.....**Leader – Barry Stehr**
.....John & Mary Esther Anderson, Justin Tomevi, Rob Wuhrman
Coffee/Hospitality.....Connie Wingard
Greeters Today.....Barry & Tammy Stehr
Greeters Next Week.....John & Mary Esther Anderson
Nursery Attendant.....Angie Robinson

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, the church office or Kim Witkovsky, Interim Ministries Coordinator.

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: 81

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This Week at a Glance:

Today 6/22 - Thurs, 6/26 6:00 pm VBS – Sanct., FH, SS Classrooms

Today 6/22	12:00 pm	Deacon's Meeting – Anna Mow Room
Wed 6/25	11:30 am	Lunch Bunch at East York Isaacs
Thurs 6/26	1:00 pm	Sabbatical Planning Team - MPR
Sat 6/28	10:00 am	Food Pantry Open 10am to Noon
Sun 6/29	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service – Sanctuary Christy Waltersdorff preaching

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



Office hours at the church for Kim Witkovsky,
Interim Ministries Coordinator
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Weekly Office Hours: Mon – Fri 8:30 am – 10:30 am

It's summer again and Camp Eder is full of great camps and campers! The following children and youth from York First COB are attending these camps:

June 22: Micah Gibbel and Liam McEvoy - Wet and Wild Camp
July 13: Danielle Gibbel and Joanna Miller - Puddle Jumpers
July 13: Lilly McEvoy - Dream It, Build It Camp
July 13: Landon McEvoy - Kids' Camp

Please hold them in prayer and consider sending them a note or card as encouragement! They will really appreciate your attention and care!

Camp Eder, 914 Mt. Hope Rd., Fairfield, PA 17320