

FIRST CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

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

10:30 AM

July 13, 2025

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE *"As the Deer"* Nystrom arr. Mark Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN** *"We gather together"* 17

*INVOCATION (together)

Dear God, we gather this day to join our voices in song and prayer, and express our gratitude that Jesus reveals to us the fullest nature of your love. We enter this time of worship to act upon our faith, renew our vision, and make new commitments. Give us this day, O God, your divine guidance that will lead us to serve and lovingly care for one another, offering grace-filled words of forgiveness as we seek to follow the pathway of "Another Way of Living...Peacefully. Simply. Together". Amen. (Adapted JAD)

CHILDREN'S TIME Rebecca Wolf

SCRIPTURE READING Psalms 121 (Page 536)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Joys and Concerns
Prayer

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Peace is Flowing Like a River"*
Violin & Piano Duet

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 6:27-38 (Page 895)

MESSAGE "Jesus and Generosity!"

- *There is generosity of spirit in the teachings and life of Jesus.
- *This divine generosity was out of step with the world in which Jesus lived.
- *There is healing in generosity.
- *One who knows he or she has been forgiven by the generosity of God is able to be generous towards others.

HYMN *"Healer of Our Every Ill"* 377

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Giving

Offertory *"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"* arr. Cindy Berry

*Sung Response (*Praise God From Whom Tune*) 119

We thank you, God, for all your gifts.

Jesus the Christ our spirits lift,

Our offerings brought with thankful praise,

Help us be faithful all our days. Amen. (JAD)

*Prayer (together)

Continue to move us, O God, beyond this building out into the streets, our communities and into our world, to participate in ministry and mission beyond the giving of our money to the giving of ourselves. Continue to guide us as we follow Jesus so that we may bring our best and our finest offerings. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *"I Love to Tell the Story"*
Hankey, Fischer arr. Joel Raney

*Please stand in body or spirit.

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

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

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Guest Preacher.....Joe Detrick
Music Director.....Rebecca Wolf
Accompanist.....Becca Miller
Worship Leader.....Kim Witkovsky
Children's Time.....Rebecca Wolf
Special Music.....Joe, Nonie, Ben Detrick
Audio/Visual.....John Gible, Jay Crist
Ushers.....**Leader – Melanie Miller**
.....Steve Hoover, Marjorie Schardt, Jacob Wingard, Connie Wingard
Coffee/Hospitality.....Jeanette Brickner
Greeters Today.....Leonard & Helen Stoner
Greeters Next Week.....Rebecca & Ava Soyke
Nursery Attendant.....Katie McEvoy

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: 42

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This Week at a Glance:

Tues	7/15	4:00 pm	Food Pantry Open 4:00pm to 5:30pm
		6:00 pm	CDC Ministry Team – Anna Mow Room
Wed	7/16	9:30 am	Staff Meeting – Multi-Purpose Room
		6:00 pm	Pizza/Game Night – Gathering Space
Sun	7/20	9:00 am	Sunday School
		10:30 am	Worship Service – Sanctuary, Jan Glass King preaching
		12:00 pm	Deacon Meeting – Anna Mow Room

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



Office hours at the church for Kim Witkovsky,
Interim Ministries Coordinator
Contact information: witkovskyks@gmail.com (814) 599-7055

Weekly Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:30 am – 10:30 am
Wed 11:30-1:30 pm

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:

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