

Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren

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BELIEVE

LIVING THE STORY OF THE BIBLE
TO BECOME LIKE JESUS



LOVE

I am committed to loving God
and loving others.

1 John 4:10-12

Kevin Richardson, Senior Pastor

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September 6, 2026

8:15 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

ORGAN PRELUDE

"O Store Gud (O Mighty God)"

Swedish Melody

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Announcements

Please pass the Friendship Pad

Commissioning of Interim Director of Family Ministry

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Screen

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

"The Virtue of Love"

Matthew 22:34-40; John 13:34-35 NT p 23, 102

*HYMN

"The Love of God"

Screen

PASTORAL PRAYER

GIVING OF HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

"Change for Change" Missions Offering will go towards the Brethren Housing Association and COB World Missions equally. Please bring your offerings forward and place them in containers.

Prayer

Offertory *"They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love"*

*CLOSING HYMN

"They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love"

Screen

*CLOSING PRAYER

*POSTLUDE

Please stand in body or in spirit

The Virtue of Love

Matthew 22:34-40; John 13:34-35

Love is that _____ and _____ and _____ in our lives that we completely devote to someone else.

Key Idea

I am committed to _____ and _____.

1. Agape love is _____. Romans 5:8

2. Agape love is _____. I John 3:16

3. Agape love is _____. I John 1:9

Three Takeaways

1. Jesus' love in our hearts enables us to _____ the _____.

2. Jesus' love in our hearts enables us to show the world what _____
_____.

3. Agape love is a _____ for _____.

I John 4:19

Serving Our Congregation Today

Messenger: Kevin Richardson

Worship Leader: 8:15 Kerri Kreider

Kid's Sermon: 10:30 Kevin Richardson

Organist: 8:15 Mary Etta Reinhart

Pianist: 8:15 Lori Holzhauer

Sound Tech: Ed Heidinger II

Stream Tech: 8:15 Ed Heidinger II

10:30 Lane Dillow

Welcomers: 8:15 Ed & Mary Etta Reinhart

9:30 Jeremy & Ann Shelley

10:30 Dave & Pat DeLong

Greeters: 8:15 Alan & Pam Platt

10:30 Jim & Deb Krantz

Nursery: 9:30 Kaitlin Bollinger & Paige Herr

10:30 Annice Landis & Ann Shelley

Ushers: 8:15 Ben & Nancy Wenger, Bob & Denise Young

10:30 Josh & Amy Housekeeper, Hans & Tina Herr

August 30, 2026 – Financial Report

General Offering	\$6,905.00	In Person Attendance	150
Building Maintenance Fund	\$75.00	Sunday School	
		Online Attendees	

10:30 WORSHIP

*WORSHIP, WELCOME & OFFERING

"Forever"

"Here as in Heaven"

"Take My Life"

"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

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Morning Prayer

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KID'S SERMON

MESSAGE

"The Virtue of Love"

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*CLOSING SONG

"I Will Follow"

*CLOSING PRAYER

Praise Team: Cameryn Deibler, Ellie Dillow, Phil Hershey, Jake Holzhauer, Lori Holzhauer, Hannah & Kennedy Kreider, Caitlyn Mauger, Kinsey Rhodes, Jeremy Stoltzfus, Katherine Tshudy

Our Nursery is available and staffed with caring adults for children ages 0-4 during the service.

MESSAGES FOR THE BODY

The church office will be **CLOSED** Monday in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

Ladies: If you're interested in traveling for day trips, contact Bette Lou Epler.

COMING EVENTS

This year we will have a **booth at the Solanco Fair**. We are looking for volunteers to fill the 2-hour shifts throughout the day. If you are interested, there's a signup sheet in the Gathering Area. You may also volunteer to help set up and tear down on the signup sheet.

Solanco Fair Milkshake Stand help is needed for the day on Wednesday September 16! Sign up is in the Gathering Area if you're willing to help.

Women's Fellowship Meal at Little Britain Presbyterian Church is September 22 at 6:30 pm. More information is posted on the community bulletin board.

Engage: Global Mission Gathering United in Mission is Sunday September 20 at 6:30 pm at Lancaster Church of the Brethren. More information is posted on the community bulletin board or contact Mary Etta Reinhart.

Activities for the Week of September 6, 2026

Mon:	Church office CLOSED
Tues:	9:00 am D-Group – rm 212
	10:00 am Painting Group
	10:30 am LIFT
Wed:	6:30 pm Praise Team – Sanctuary
Sat:	5:00 pm Pavilion/FLC/Ballfield RESERVED

Next Sunday, September 13, 2026

2 A Meal Offering

Mission Offering

8:15 am Traditional Worship

"The Virtue of Joy"

Scripture: Galatians 5:22-23; John 15:9-11

9:30 am Sunday School ALL Ages

10:30 Worship



FAMILY MINISTRY UPDATES

See what's been going on and what's ahead in Roots Family Ministry!

LIL' ROOTS



2YO-4TH

"Move-Up" Sunday

- Lil' Roots Kids will "move up" to their new grade in Sunday School Today!

BRIDGE ROOTS



5TH-6TH

"Move-Up" Sunday

- Bridge Roots Kids will "move up" to their new grade in Sunday School Today!

YOUTH ROOTS



7TH-12TH

"Move-Up" Sunday

- Youth Roots Kids will "move up" to their new grade in Sunday School Today!

Solanco Fair Milkshake Stand

- Sign-up to help in the Gathering Area! All youth are required to work at least one shift!

Youth Roots Gather

- 10/4 - Event Details TBD!

OAKS



OLDER ADULTS

Save the Date!

- Tuesday, October 20 at 2 pm ANE Older Adult Coffee House at Lancaster COB

OTHER IMPORTANT INFO

If you would like to volunteer in the nursery, during Sunday school or the service, contact Traci Homsher.

Announcements for the bulletin are due **by 12 Noon on Wednesdays**. They may be e-mailed to church@mgcb.org. *Announcements may be edited for length.*

Items for projection and sound on Sunday's are needed by 12 Noon Wednesday. This will ensure enough time for copyright analysis if needed.

To place flowers in the church to celebrate anniversaries, birthdays, or other milestones, please contact the church office.

All building use requests/event scheduling should be done through the church office between the hours of 9 am and 2 pm, or email church@mgcb.org.

To receive e-communications contact the church office. If for some reason, you are **currently subscribed and not receiving them**, contact Ed at edh@mgcb.org.

Solanco Food Bank Needs: SPAM, assorted soups/chowder (cans), granola bars, pudding/fruit cups, Triscuits/Wheat Thins, mayonnaise, mustard, diapers (size 5 ,6, 7, Pull-ups 3, 4, & 5T). Items may be placed in the Mealbarrow in the Gathering Area.



OUR MISSION

Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren exists to be a united people fully following Jesus' teaching through knowing, living, and sharing Christ's love.

OUR VISION

Since 1897, Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren has been serving the Lord Jesus Christ through the faithful proclamation of the Gospel, engaging worship, community service, and growing fully devoted followers of Christ. By living out our Brethren heritage and New Testament beliefs, we seek to reach the lost, serve the least, and transform the community for the glory of God.

CORE VALUES



Unconditional Love



Evangelism & Missions



Christ-Centered Worship



Every Generation Ministry



Community Engagement & Service



Intentional Spiritual Growth



Faithful Stewardship & Radical Generosity



Brethren Distinctives & Practice



Scan the QR code for more information on our Core Values.

ADDITIONAL STAFF

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