

Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren

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BELIEVE

LIVING THE STORY OF THE BIBLE
TO BECOME LIKE JESUS



HOPE

I can cope with the hardships of life
because of the hope I have in Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 6:19-20a

Kevin Richardson, Senior Pastor

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October 4, 2026

8:15 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

ORGAN PRELUDE

“Nearer” Medley

J. Clark

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Announcements

Please pass the Friendship Pad

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN

“Rejoice the Lord is King”

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

“The Virtue of Hope”

Hebrews 6:19-20 NT p 211

*HYMN

“Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know”

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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

“Morning Mist”

E. Higgins

*CLOSING HYMN

“We’ll Understand It Better By and By”

Screen

*CLOSING PRAYER

*POSTLUDE

Please stand in body or in spirit

The Virtue of Hope

Hebrew 6:19-20

Key Question: How do I deal with the hardships and struggles of life?

Key Idea: *I can cope with the hardships of life because of the hope I have in Jesus Christ.*

1. The anchor of hope is _____. v 19
2. The anchor of hope is _____. v 19
3. The anchor of hope is _____. v 19

Three Takeaways

1. Hope in Christ gives us a different _____ to _____. Hebrews 12:1-2
2. Hope in Christ gives us a different _____ to _____. Colossians 3:2
3. Hope in Christ gives us a different _____ to _____. Psalm 31:24

Psalm 33:20-22

Serving Our Congregation Today

Messenger:	Kevin Richardson
Kid's Sermon:	10:30 Kay Swarr
Organist:	8:15 Lori Holzhauer
Pianist:	8:15 Donita Reimold
Sound Tech:	8:15 Rhonda Heidinger
	10:30 Ed Heidinger II
Stream Tech:	Ed Heidinger II
Welcomers:	8:15 Mike & Denise Mellott
	9:30 Jeremy & Ann Shelley
	10:30 Sharon Davis & Rhonda Heidinger
Greeters:	8:15 Alan & Pam Platt
	10:30 Jim & Deb Krantz
Nursery:	9:30 Paige Herr, Peggy Rasmussen
	10:30 Amber Criswell, Morgan Holzhauer
Ushers:	8:15 Dave Herr, Everett Kreider, Ellis Kreider, Mel Lapp
	10:30 Brent & Amanda Grumbling, Michael & Paige Herr

September 27, 2026 – Financial Report

General Offering	\$7,832.45	In Person Attendance	132
Building Maintenance Fund	\$18.00	Sunday School	88
		Online Attendees	32

10:30 WORSHIP

*WORSHIP, WELCOME & OFFERING

"Our God"

"In Christ Alone"

"The Saving One"

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Morning Prayer

KID'S SERMON

MESSAGE

"The Virtue of Hope"

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*CLOSING SONG

"Cornerstone"

*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

Today everyone will meet in the Family Life Center for World Communion Sunday at 9:30 am.

First Monday Share and Prayer will meet tomorrow evening at 7 pm via Zoom led by Pastor Kevin. The link is sent Monday afternoon with the prayer list.

COMING EVENTS

Today, we start collecting new/gently used coats for **Solanco Coats for All**. Please place coats in the collection box inside the doors no later than Sunday, October 27. Please reach out to a member of the Witness Commission if you have any questions.

Dutch Blitz Night October 16 @ 6:30 pm. Games start at 6:45 pm. All ages and skill levels welcome!! Signup in the Gathering Area.

The **Solanco CROP Walk** is on Saturday, October 17 at Muddy Run Park, 172 Bethesda Church Road, Holtwood, PA. Walkers will gather at 8:30 am and the walk begins at 9 am. Please sign up and pick up your packet in the Gathering Area.

Save the Date! Youth Turkey Dinner is BACK Sunday October 25!

The **Hiking Group** will meet on Sunday, October 25 at 2 pm to hike at Fox Hollow Nature Preserve on the Martic Forge Trolley Trail. There is limited parking at the location, so we will meet at Giant (Buck) at 2 pm to arrange a carpool. Contact Mary Etta Reinhart or Connie Rutt if you would like to join us.

Sign up in the Gathering Area to attend the **Fall Women's Fellowship** event on Thursday October 29 at 6:30 pm. We will enjoy a time of fellowship with a fall themed dessert social and spend some time in worship and prayer to posture our hearts as we enter the thanksgiving season.

Attention Treasurers: Please have your last bank statement and record book in the office workroom by October 20 for financial review.

OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

Don't forget to appreciate our pastoral team:
Pastors Kevin, Mary Etta and Rita (and spouses)!
Let's support them through prayer. Maybe remember them with a card, call, words of encouragement, a lunch invite...be creative! We are blessed to have them among us.

Sermon *Notes*

TODAY IS:

SERMON TITLE:

Notes:

Key verses:

Worship Songs:

Prayers:



FAMILY MINISTRY UPDATES

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

LIL' ROOTS



2YO-4TH

World Communion Sunday & Love Feast

- Everyone is invited to take part in a special Love Feast held during the Sunday School hour on Oct. 4! This is a family friendly event where all can take part in and learn about foot washing, the agape meal, and communion! *Foot washing is optional!

Roots Night are coming!

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Dutch Blitz Family Game Night - Oct. 16th @ 6:30 pm

BRIDGE ROOTS



5TH-6TH

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YOUTH ROOTS



7TH-12TH

Youth Roots Gather

- 10/3 - Jr. & Sr. Youth Roots will be going to Cherry Crest to do the corn maze in the dark! Fireworks @ 8:30! Please text into the MOCB Text thread ASAP to RSVP!

World Communion Sunday & Love Feast

- See information above!

Dutch Blitz Family Game Night - Oct. 16th @ 6:30 pm

Youth Turkey Dinner Fundraiser

- October 25 (Prep 23 & 24!)

OAKS



OLDER ADULTS

Dutch Blitz Family Game Night - Oct. 16th @ 6:30 pm
ANE Older Adult Coffee House

- Tuesday, October 20-2 pm Lancaster COB

Fall Foliage/Covered Bridge Tour & Lunch

- Thursday, Oct. 29. Leave church at 10 am. Drivers needed
- RSVP to Connie Rutt by Oct. 22.

Sign up on the OAKS bulletin board!

WEDNESDAY ROOTS NIGHT WORSHIP

**We will be concluding all of our
Wednesday night programing
together in the sanctuary with
praise!**

**Parents: Please plan to arrive for
pickup at 7:30. Join us for
worship, and we will dismiss from
the sanctuary at 7:45.**

**FIRST & THIRD WEDNESDAY
OF EACH MONTH**

5:45- SHARED MEAL

**6:30 - AGE SPECIFIC
DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS**

**7:30- WORSHIP IN THE
SANCTUARY**

7:45- DISMISSAL

We at MGCB are taking into account your personal information is private. We continue to take measures to ensure your privacy is of the upmost importance. Please contact the Pastors if you have or would like to include contact information for inclusion in the bulletin. Contact information will not be printed without the expressed consent of the relative party.

****All prayer and praise requests should be sent to Maryettar@mgcb.org. If your prayer request is of a more personal nature, you may ask that your prayer request only be shared with the pastors. ****

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), tuna (can), refried beans, Cheerios (yellow box), granola bars, fruit cups, Triscuits/Wheat Thins, mustard, toothpaste, diapers (size 5 ,6 Pull-ups 3T-5T). Items may be placed in the Mealbarrow in the Gathering Area.



Gardens of Mechanic Grove

This year, our garden group will have a container in the Gathering Area so you may share some of the produce from your gardens, which will be taken to the Solanco Food Bank every Monday, to share with our neighbors.

You may also contribute from the BOGO's of many grocery stores. Through the generosity and support of our members we will be able to share nutritious, fresh produce.

Activities for the Week of October 4, 2026

Mon:	6:00 am	Renovare Group - Zoom
	7:00 pm	First Monday Share and Prayer
	7:00 pm	Journey to Nativity – Gathering Area
Tues:	9:15 am	D-Group – rm 205
	10:00 am	Painting Group
	10:30 am	LIFT
Wed:	7:00 pm	Care Group – rm 14
	1:45 pm	Bible Adventure
	5:15 pm	Junior Chimes – rm 203
	5:45 pm	Roots Meal - FLC
	6:30 pm	Adult Bible Study – rm 14
	6:30 pm	Praise Team – Sanctuary
	6:30 pm	Roots Activities
Thurs:	7:30 pm	Adult Choir – rm 14
	9:00 am	Sisters in Christ Bible Study – rm 14
	10:30 am	LIFT
	6:30 pm	Adult Bell Choir – rm 203

Next Sunday, October 11, 2026

2¢ A Meal Offering

8:15 am Traditional Worship

“The Virtue of Patience”

Scripture: James 5:7-11

9:30 am Sunday School for ALL Ages

10:30 am Worship

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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