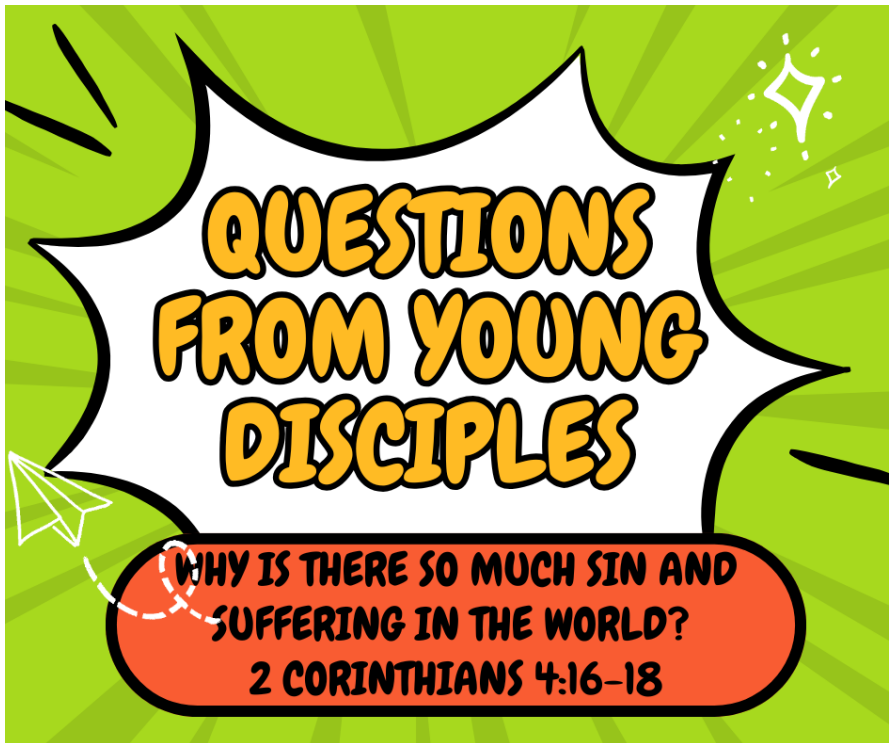


# Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren

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May 25, 2025

## 8:15 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

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WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

ORGAN PRELUDE

Scott-Lorenz

*"Open My Eyes, That I May See"*

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Announcements

*Please pass the Friendship Pad*

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Amazing Grace"*

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*"Why is There so Much Sin and Suffering in the World?"*

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 NT p 173

\*HYMN

*"We'll Understand It Better By and By"*

Screen

PASTORAL PRAYER

GIVING OF HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

***Birthday Offerings*** may be brought forth at this time. These support those in need through our Benevolence Fund.

Prayer

Offertory

Frick

*"We Walk by Faith"*

\*CLOSING HYMN

Screen

*"Nothing But the Blood"*

\*CLOSING PRAYER

\*POSTLUDE

*"A Song of Praise"*

Smith

\*Please stand in body or in spirit\*

# Why Is There So Much Sin and Suffering in the World?

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

1. When God made humanity, He \_\_\_\_\_ them \_\_\_\_\_.  
Genesis 2:16-17, 3:6
2. We make \_\_\_\_\_ that have \_\_\_\_\_.  
Deuteronomy 30:9
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ every \_\_\_\_\_ of our  
\_\_\_\_\_. Romans 8:22
4. Don't allow the \_\_\_\_\_ in this world to \_\_\_\_\_ the  
\_\_\_\_\_. 2 Corinthians 4:16
5. God \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_ to bring \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
Galatians 4:4

## Ephesians 4:13

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### Serving Our Congregation Today

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| Preacher:         | Kevin Richardson   |
| Worship Leader:   | 8:15 Rita Carter   |
| Children's Story: | 10:30 Kevin Richardson   |
| Special Music:    | 10:30 Noelle Schneider   |
| Organist:         | 8:15 Joanne Hershey  |
| Pianist:          | 8:15 Lori Holzhauer  |
| Sound Tech:       | 8:15 Ed Heidinger II   |
|                   | 10:30 Eric Holzhauer   |
| Stream Tech:      | 8:15 Ed Heidinger II   |
|                   | 10:30 Remington Tshudy   |
| Welcomers:        | 8:15 Ed & Mary Etta Reinhart   |
|                   | 9:30 Caitylyn Mauger & Sylvia Stauffer   |
|                   | 10:30 Herb & Darlene Kreider   |
| Greeters:         | 8:15 Vince & Judy Becker   |
|                   | 10:30 Dave & Diane Herr  |
| Nursery:          | 9:30 Kaitlin Bollinger   |
|                   | 10:30 Peggy Rasmussen & Ann Shelley  |
| Ushers:           | 8:15 Sam Glick, Bill Guhl, Mel Lapp, Don Trimble   |
|                   | 10:30 Jim & Deb Krantz   |
|                   | Raleigh & Peggy Osborne  |
| Praise Team:      | 10:30 Cameryn Deibler, Phil Hershey, Jake Holzhauer,<br>Lori Holzhauer, Hannah & Kennedy Kreider,<br>Ellie Mankin, Caitlyn Mauger, Jeremy Stoltzfus,<br>Katherine Tshudy |

## 10:30 CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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WELCOME

\*OPENING SONG

*"House of the Lord"*  
*"Bless God"*

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Announcements

*Please pass the Friendship Pad*

Morning Prayer

Offering

**Birthday Offerings** may be brought forth at this time. These support those in need through our Benevolence Fund.

*"Holy Forever"*

KID'S SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Amazing Grace"*

MESSAGE


*"Why is There So Much Sin and Suffering in the World?"*

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\*CLOSING SONG

*"Jesus Paid It All"*

\*CLOSING PRAYER

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|  <p><b>ROOT TEXT:</b> <b>EPHESIANS 6:10-20</b></p> | <p><b>THIS WEEKS FAMILY THEME:</b><br/><b>THE ARMOR OF GOD</b></p> <p><b>DISCIPLE EVERY GENERATION:</b><br/>DISCUSS AS A FAMILY WHY DO OUR MINDS STRUGGLE TO COMPREHEND THE SPIRITUAL WARFARE THAT IS GOING ON AROUND US? WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE REALITY OF IT?</p> |
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# Sermon *Notes*

**TODAY IS:**

**SERMON TITLE:**

Notes:

Key verses:

Worship Songs:

Prayers:

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

**The flowers today** are in celebration of Clarence & Carolyn Wenger's 69th wedding anniversary.

**The church office will be closed Monday in observance of Memorial Day.**

## MESSAGES FOR THE BODY

**It's Graduation time!** Please take some time to highlight a favorite verse and write a quick note in the Bibles for each of our Graduates! These will be in the Gathering Area until May 30. We will celebrate the Class of 2025 on Sunday, June 1!

**The Hiking Group** will be hiking Scott's trail on the Kreider farm Sunday, June 1 at 2 pm. Contact Mary Etta Reinhart for more information.

**You are invited** to a hymn sing lead by Bob Kettering at the historic Bucher Meeting House Sunday, June 1 at 3 pm. The meeting house is located at 376 Schaeffer Road, Lebanon, PA.

**Summer Adult Bible Study** begins Wednesday, June 4 at 6:30 pm. It is a RightNow Media study entitled "Navigating Genesis" which will answer questions about science and the Bible. The class will meet for 8 weeks.

**A Baptism service** is being planned for Sunday, June 29 at the conclusion of the 9:30 worship service. Anyone interested in being baptized should contact Pastor Kevin or Janae. A required membership class and baptism class will be held prior to the service.

**We are seeking help** to staff the nursery during the 9:30 Worship Service and the 10:30 Sunday School hour from June through September. If you would be willing to love on our 0-4-year-old church family members, please see Traci Homsher.

**Volunteers needed** to serve in Letcher County, KY for a Brethren Disaster Ministries work camp from October 12-18. If interested, contact Rick or Amy Graver for more information or to sign up.

**Agenda items for Annual Conference** in July are available in the Gathering Area. If you would like to give input, see Pastor Kevin or Mary Etta.

## OTHER IMPORTANT INFO

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

**Check your family mailboxes** and your **commission mailboxes** weekly for important information.

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

**Items for projection and sound** during the service **are needed by 12 NOON Wednesday**. This will ensure enough time for copyright analysis if needed.

**To place flowers** in the church on Sunday for anniversaries, birthdays, or other celebrations, 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.

Looking for **Youth Roots events**? Text your first and last name and "youth events" to 844.564.6146.

**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:** canned chicken and tuna (12.5 oz), pork and beans (15/16 oz cans), boxed macaroni and cheese, mayonnaise, ketchup, Manwich, green beans, corn, chicken noodle and tomato soup, Chef Boyardee canned pasta. Items may be placed in the Mealbarrow in the Gathering Area

### May 18, 2025 - Financial Report

|                           |             |                      |     |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------------------|-----|
| General Offering          | \$13,829.00 | In Person Attendance | 190 |
| Building Maintenance Fund | 81.00       | Sunday School        | 113 |
| Strategic Vision          | \$1,905.00  | Online Attendees     | 21  |

**Strategic Vision Fund (Balance Due): \$50,000.00**

**Starting next Sunday through September, the offering will be collected before you enter the Sanctuary.**

**2025 Offering envelopes are available in the office**

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Janae McMichael, Director of Family Ministries: JanaeM@mgcb.org

# 2025 Summer Sunday School Catalog



## Summer Worship Schedule

- 8:30am - Sunday School Meeting Time
- 9:30am - Combined Worship Service
- 10:30 - Sunday School Meeting Time

Every Generation Sunday - 10:30am

- June 29<sup>th</sup> (Potluck Lunch and Cornhole Tournament)
- \*August 24<sup>th</sup> (Southern End Sunday)

FAMJAM Sunday - August 3rd

- 9:30am - Church-Wide Breakfast
- 10:30am - Outdoor Worship Service in FAMJAM Tent

**Christian Workers**  
Room 014

**Meeting Time:** N/A  
**Curriculum:** N/A

**Young Adults**  
Room 201

**Meeting Time:** 8:30am  
**Curriculum:** When Christ Comes, Book Study by Max Lucado

**FaithBuilders**  
Room 205

**Meeting Time:** N/A  
**Curriculum:** N/A

**Messengers**  
Room 208

**Meeting Time:**  
10:30am  
**Curriculum:** The Awe of God, DVD & Book Study by John Bevere

**ELECTIVE:**  
**As For Me And My House**  
FLC

**Meeting Time:** 10:30am  
**Curriculum:** 10 Root Truths + D6 Curriculum

**Peacemakers**  
Room 206

**Meeting Time:** 8:30am  
**Curriculum:** Twelve Ordinary Men, Book Study by John MacArthur

**\*\*Lil' and Youth Roots Kids will participate, with their families, in the "As For Me and My House" Elective. No age-specific classes will be offered for those groups.**

## Activities for the Week of May 25, 2025

Mon: 6:00 am Renovare Bible Study - Zoom  
Tues: 9:15 am D-Group - room 209  
10:00 am Painting Group  
10:45 am LIFT - room 304  
Wed: 6:30 pm Community AA Meeting - room 207  
Thurs: 10:45 am LIFT - room 304  
Fri: 9:00 am Sanctuary/FLC/Kitchen - Reserved  
5:00 pm FLC Reserved  
Sat: 12:00 pm FLC Reserved

### Next Sunday, June 1, 2025 Graduate Recognition Sunday Change for Change Offering

8:30 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Worship Service  
Heroes of Faith ~ David  
"A Man After God's Own Heart"  
Scripture: I Samuel 16:1-13  
Pastor Kevin Richardson  
10:30 am Sunday School  
12:00 pm End of Year Youth Roots Party @ Houghton's  
1:00 pm Hiking Group @ Kreider Farm  
3:00 pm Hymn Sing @ Bucher Meetinghouse

## Disaster Relief Picnic

**THURSDAY, JUNE 19 FROM 4-7 PM**

at the home of Alan & Pam Platt

Enjoy an evening of fellowship, good food, and an opportunity to make a donation to help those impacted by disaster. All food is donated, so all proceeds benefit disaster projects.

Checks payable to MGCB Men's Work

Meal is by Donation!

Come, eat and give so others may live!!

*\*\*A great reason to get out of the kitchen! Everyone welcome!\*\**

**Women's Ministry Summer Social participants come join us before your event at 6:30 pm!**

## OUR MISSION

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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

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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.

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