

# EASTON CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

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## Mission Statement

*“Sharing the love and blessing of God with all.”*



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I've enjoyed the various "Peanuts" holiday specials by Charles Schulz for as long as I can remember, and one that I watch regularly is the Thanksgiving installment.

If you've seen it, you probably remember that poor Charlie Brown unwittingly ends up with a group of his friends coming over for Thanksgiving dinner. He doesn't know what to do with them all since he has no food except some random snacks and buttered toast, no table except an old ping-pong table from his garage and a random assortment of rickety folding chairs, and just Snoopy to serve it all.

Everyone starts complaining, even as Linus—of course—reminds them of the true story behind Thanksgiving. What's a hapless cartoon character to do?

Fortunately, his grandmother comes through in the end, inviting the whole crew to join the family dinner in her condominium. They take off in a station wagon, happily singing as they bound over the road towards a real Thanksgiving feast.

Now you might ask at this point, "What does this have to do at the church?" And my answer would be: the table. An upcoming spread in the November issue of *Messenger* looks at how the simple act of gathering around the table is a central part of our life and our faith.

We have fellowship around the tables of carry-in meals and picnics. We have meaningful and important worship around the tables of love feast. We connect and build relationships around the tables of each other's homes and after-church meals out at restaurants. Something about that breaking of bread together—sharing food and conversation—is elemental to who we are as human beings.

When I was at Manchester, I often had the weekly meeting with our student workers over dinner in the dining hall, because it opened up the flow of our teamwork in a different way—and also took us outside the chapel walls and in the midst of the other students. It just felt different than sitting in an office or conference room.

We see Jesus doing similar things throughout his ministry: dining at the house of tax collectors, visiting his friends Mary and Martha for a meal, multiplying loaves and fishes for a multitude, sharing a Passover supper with his disciples near the end of his earthly journey, cooking up fish to share on the beach, accepting an invitation to a table in Emmaus. If Jesus saw value in that sharing, shouldn't we, too?

And that's what I love about Charlie Brown. Even though he's in over his head and doesn't have the "right" ingredients to put together a traditional meal, he still provides a table. He uses what he has, puts out some seats, and provides a place for everyone. He serves up community.

I hope that as the church we can do the same: As imperfect or insufficient as we might feel, we can still put out a table and invite others to gather around it, sharing what we have—both literally and figuratively. And whether or not grandmother comes to the rescue with a gourmet feast, I suspect we'll feel rather full and satisfied in that sharing.

—Pastor Walt 😊

## SCHEDULE NOTES

Pastor Walt will be extending his time at Easton a little bit to provide some coverage through the holiday period. He'll be preaching about half the Sundays in November and December, as well as the Christmas Eve service (7 p.m. Dec. 24). His last Sunday here will now be Jan. 2.

## Sermon and Scriptures for November

**Nov. 7:** Wanda Baynard preaching  
"God's Creation"

Scripture: Genesis 1: 24-28  
Psalm 24: 1-2  
Psalm 65: 9-13

**Nov. 14:** "How Are You?"

**Nov. 21:** "Tater Tales"  
Thanksgiving Sunday

**Nov. 28:** Guest speaker  
First Sunday of Advent

## Music for November

**Nov. 7:** Jennifer Summy  
**Nov. 14:** Amy Bachand  
**Nov. 21:**  
**Nov. 28:**



### Luncheon to honor Pastor Walt

Please join us on Sunday, November 14, following worship for a farewell luncheon to honor Pastor Walt. We will gather in the fellowship hall for lunch and enjoy our time with food and fellowship. Lunch, desserts and drinks will be provided.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 2 Emily Holmes, Zachary Correa
- 3 Hunter Moore, Eric Gunn, Ryleigh Miller
- 4 Aaron Schreckengast
- 5 Kenny Fike, Anne Harvey, Walt Wiltschek
- 7 Andrew Deregowski, Sharon Lister
- 8 Dorothy Stichberry
- 10 Delia Faye Mullikin, Dawn Best
- 11 Tyler Miller, Heather McWilliams
- 15 Alexander Crannell
- 16 Cindy Allen
- 17 Carson Phelps, Joy Miller,  
Nancy Fluharty
- 20 Morgan Pierce
- 22 Natalee Jones, Ruth Gunn
- 24 Coulby Miller, Sharon Caldwell
- 26 Naobi Turnage
- 28 Trey Haddaway
- 29 John Stichberry Jr.
- 30 John Nalley, Charles Eugene Schwaninger

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 7 Russell & Jennifer Miles
- 8 Billy & Karen Rathell
- 26 Dan & Paula Ulrich
- 27 Wade & Patty Miller

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Our deepest sympathy to the family of Rick Marshall. Rick passed away on September 29. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, October 5 at the church. Burial was at the Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery.

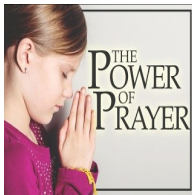


Our deepest sympathy to the family of Lee Willis. Lee passed away on October 4. A graveside service was held on Thursday, October 14 at Woodlawn Memorial Park, Easton.

We pray Christ presence to each of these families.

# Our Prayer List

**Please pray especially for the following individuals and their families:** for those who have contracted COVID-19, for health care workers, and for government and civic leaders who are seeking the best way forward, for our District Executive, Gene Hagenberger, for all those who have been affected economically, for Camp Mardela and administrator Jennifer Summy, The family of Jeff Parks, the family of Lee Willis, the family of Rick Marshall, Charlie Willis, Betty Sanger, Dennis Covey, Holly Jones, Seth Willis, Carolyn Lane, Pauline Lane, Adele Pogue, Priscilla Truitt, Crystal Windsor, Darren Koenig, Kevin Wile, Steven Webb, Brenda ( a friend to Terri Tarr), Jim Saathoff,



Maggie Hegedus, Caitlyn Bussey, Kim Hammond, Misti Green, Bunky Miller, Theresa, (co-worker of Terri Tarr), Verna Calloway, Bonnie Langford, Mary Kelly, Hermann & Peggy Oberkofler, Doris Schwanning, John Evans, Isabelle Halliday, Wyatt Ewing, Jim & Loretta Lohr, Kathy Spurry, Lillian Sefcik, Judy Haddaway, Jean & Don Saballus, Richard Scott, Billy Harding, Chuck Davis, Annabel Young, Larry Fike, Childlene Brooks, Alan Segar, Bruce Butler, Pat Lewis, Lee Roesti, GraceWay CoB, Nancy Scheffler, Roger Plagge, John Nalley, Bobby Hopkins, Dee Candel, Lois Schall, Natalee Jones, continuous prayers for our church family in Nigeria, continued prayers for Comfort Amos, Leo Truban, Emerson Fike, Katelyn Howard. Pray for leaders & people that are working towards peace.

***Please phone or email the church office to add or remove persons on our prayer list.***



## Camp Mardela News from Jen Summy:

- **Camp Mardela continues with their fundraiser of Scrip:** What is Scrip? Buy gift cards online (all year long) at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com), pay online and a rebate will be earned between 2% and 16% that will immediately go towards Camp Mardela. When your gift card arrives, use them for your everyday shopping...that simple. If you would like a copy of the instructions, contact Lee Ann and she can mail you a copy. **See the updated flyer in your newsletter.**
- **There are several copies of Camp Mardela's newsletter.** "The Lane" is available in the narthex.

**Camp Auction: October 30, 2021, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** Come enjoy all the Camp Mardela has to offer while snagging some sweet deals at our auction. Join us for the biggest fundraiser of the year! We will have a live auction, a silent auction, a flea market, a food stand, and fall activities for kids. We will have a wide range of items for sale, so make sure to come out and support! Please enjoy baked goods and food prepared by volunteers, bid in the auction, or shop at the yard sale. There will be plenty to see and do at this event! Please visit [www.campmardela.org/fall-auction](http://www.campmardela.org/fall-auction).

**Sights & Sounds of Christmas:** December 4 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. We are excited to host the first Sights and Sounds of Christmas event at Camp Mardela. There will be free music, a food stand, a Christmas tree raffle, and a Christmas Workshop for kids to make their own Christmas presents for just \$2. Come see Camp Mardela in winter and celebrate the birth of Jesus while supporting camp. There will be music, decorations and holiday cheer for everyone. Please visit [campmardela.org/sights-and-sounds-of-Christmas](http://campmardela.org/sights-and-sounds-of-Christmas).





# News from the District Office

## 40th Annual Disaster Response Auction Saturday, November 13, 2021 Carroll County Agricultural Center 700 Agricultural Center Drive Westminster, MD 21157

Thank you for your support of the Mid- Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction by placing an ad in last year's 2020 Auction Booklet. With the 2020 Auction cancelled due to the pandemic, the auction booklet was not used. Planning is underway for the 2021 Auction to be held on November 13 at the Carroll County Agricultural Center in Westminster, Maryland. In an effort to be good stewards, the auction committee has decided to make use of last year's booklet, adding supplemental pages specific to the 2021 Auction.



- 7-9:30 am Breakfast
- 9:00 am Outside Auction: tools, lawn and garden, household and general items
- 9:30 am Special Items Auction: including antiques and collectibles, art and jewelry
- 10:00 am Food booths open; child care available 10am-2pm
- 10:30 am Lunch
- 12:00 pm Quilt and Comforter Auction

Terms: cash, check, or credit card; ATM machine located in Shipley Arena.

Your purchase has purpose. Auction proceeds go to the Church of the Brethren Emergency Disaster Response Fund to send trained volunteers to help disaster victims with child care and to repair and rebuild after natural disasters that occur within the United States. Overseas relief includes food, water, shelter and medicine. For more information call 443-960-3052.

## Special dates in November

- All Saints' Day, November 1, 2021
- Daylight-Saving Time ends, November 7, 2021
- Veterans Day, November 11, 2021
- Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2021
- First Sunday of Advent, November 28, 2021



Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 7, 2021



Congratulations to Marlee Fox on the birth of her son, Jaxon Levi Fox.

Jaxon was born at 11:25 p.m. on September 14. He weighed 5lbs 12oz and was 18 inches long.



Congratulations to Sara (Urry) and Casey Booth on the birth of their daughter, Ella Ann Booth. Ella was born at 1:41pm on October 3. She weighed 8lbs 5oz and was 21 inches long.



Both families are doing well and the babies are growing!!!



# Serving the month of November

	11/7/2021	11/14/2021	11/21/2021	11/28/2021
<b>Message</b>	Wanda Baynard	Pastor Walt	Pastor Walt	Guest Speaker
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Mat Baynard	Sharon Lister	Kevin Wile	Lynn Butler
<b>Head Usher</b>	Lee Ann Fox	Lee Ann Fox	Lee Ann Fox	Lee Ann Fox
<b>Deacons on call</b>	Jane Marshall	Leroy & Sharon Miller	Ron & Elisa Miller	John & Norma Trax
<b>Special Music</b>	Jennifer Summy	Amy Bachand		
<b>Flowers</b>	Anne Harvey	Bruce Butler	Kevin & Ellen Wile	Advent Wreath

## FIND THE FEAST

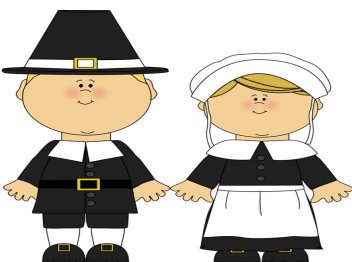
Can you find the following Thanksgiving-related items in the puzzle below? Words can be forwards or backwards, horizontal, diagonal, or vertical:

CRANBERRY  
TURKEY  
GRAVY  
PIE

FEAST  
PRAYER  
STUFFING  
HARVEST

FOOTBALL  
POTATO  
PUMPKIN

PILGRIM  
THANKS  
THURSDAY

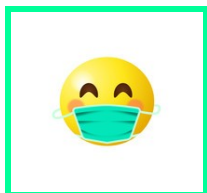


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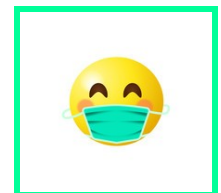
# Attendance & Offering for October

	Attendance	37	33	39	58	167
	10/3/21	10/10/21	10/17/21	10/24/21	10/31/21	Totals
<b><u>Distributions</u></b>						
<b>General (06)</b>						
Envelopes	1,640.00	825.00	2,799.00	3,495.00		8,759.00
Loose Change/Cash	0.00	0.00	65.00	20.00		85.00
Total Before Prepaid Tithes	1,640.00	825.00	2,864.00	3,515.00	0.00	8,844.00
Prepaid Tithes	675.00	675.00	675.00	675.00	675.00	3,375.00
Dale	2,315.00	1,500.00	3,539.00	4,190.00	675.00	12,219.00
<b>Other Income (06)</b>						
Dutchmans Lane Rent						0.00
Harrison St. Rent	1,500.00					1,500.00
Totals	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
<b>Special Offerings (07)</b>						
Deacon Fund			1,000.00			1,000.00
Hospitality						0.00
In Kind						
In & Out						
Witness School Kits for Teachers	50.00					50.00
Pretzel Jar			72.00			72.00
Miscellaneous		10.00				10.00
Music Fund						0.00
Bldg/Memorial Fund						
Rick Marshall	80.00	350.00	350.00			780.00
Lee Willis			100.00			100.00
Totals	1,630.00	360.00	1,522.00	0.00	0.00	3,512.00
Totals	4,770.00	1,185.00	4,386.00	3,515.00	0.00	13,856.00

Love Your Neighbors!! In light of recent pandemic metrics, please wear a mask inside the church regardless of vaccination status. Thank you!!  
 Let us all be vigilant. Wash your hands and socially distance.  
 Pray for God's guidance and healing.



**WE'RE  
IN THIS  
TOGETHER!**



# Volunteer Opportunities

## Ridgeway House Lunches

The 1st & 3rd Fridays of each month. For months that have five Fridays, lunches will be provided on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Friday. Monetary and food donations (drink boxes, individual fruit cups, small bags of chips and cookies) are always welcome.

## NSC Food Pantry

Let's not forget that food prices keep going up! When we pay attention to our local, national and international food needs, we are reminded that people suffer from food insecurity all around. If we do not share of our bounty, others go hungry. Let us give, so others may live. Any non-perishable food items with good "best if used by" dates are accepted. *Consider bringing in your non-perishable items when church re-opens.*

## Interested in Serving as Worship Leader or doing the Children's Time?

We're always looking for new people to share their gifts! It doesn't take a lot of time--just a bit of preparation and a willingness to serve. If you would like to join this team of volunteers or want more information, please contact the church office or Pastor Walt.

The volunteer opportunities listed below are currently closed due to COVID-19. Please keep these opportunities in mind when things re-open.  
Thank you!!!

## Talbot Interfaith Shelter

The 2021/2022 volunteer list is available for sign-up. Please take the time and look to see where you can spare a few hours of your time every other month. Any questions, please contact Norma Trax. **Our next date is November 19, 2021.** If you are interested in providing a meal, please sign-up in the narthex. Two volunteers are also needed for three two hour shifts (8:00-11:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and 2:00-5:00 p.m.) Please sign-up in the narthex or call the office. Thank you.

## Neighborhood Service Center

Please contact Marilyn Neal, if you are interested in volunteering at the center. Their phone number is 410-822-5015.





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