

EASTON CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

"Sharing the love and blessing of God with all."

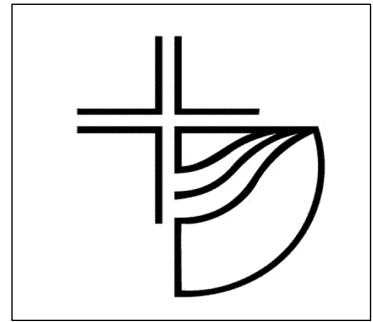
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A couple of weeks ago, we had some excitement at the church. We had honeybees in the church and outside flying around the tower on the North side of the church where Lee Ann and Dale's offices are located. After Dale, Ellen, and I, with help from Ron Miller, discovered that the majority of the bees inside the church were dead, but there were some bees flying around outside at the top of the tower near the louvers. Walking carefully up the attic stairs, the buzz of the bees was so loud. As we know, honeybees are an important part of our ecosystem. I went into "we have to save the bees" mode and also wished I could call Jimmy Lohr. As Loretta said, "He would have loved to help with this situation." As a beekeeper, Jim would help out whenever he could. I reached out to some beekeepers, and Ron did as well. What we learned was that the bees might be in the walls, or they might be gone by the weekend. We weren't sure of the outcome when we left the building that day. I remember thinking, "Jody, you just need to give it up to God. There is nothing you can do to fix this situation today." Later that night we had a bad storm with lots of wind, rain, and lightning. I wondered how the bees made out and pondered what we would do if these bees were in the walls. When Ron called me Tuesday morning after checking the whole building, he said, "They're gone. I have been through the attic and everything. There are no bees." I shared the relief in Ron's voice.

How often does a situation present itself where we begin by listing all the possible negative outcomes instead of how this situation might work itself out? It happens quite a bit. However, how often do we choose to give it up to God and believe that it will all work out? As we enter the last few weeks of summer and await the start of our handicap accessibility project, let's focus our prayers on all the details falling into place by October 1. Our next step is to get a bid for our new sewer line and have that part of our project completed. Pray for the right company to take the project on and that we can keep moving forward. Donations and pledges are coming in each month. One day at a time, one week at a time, one PRAYER at a time, and with God's help, the project will be completed.

Pastor Jody



- 1 Sallie Griswold
- 2 Alex Malaney, Janet Golt, Billy Loscomb, Chris Lyons
- 4 Amie Lednum Sharp
- 6 John Trax, Kai Kelly
- 7 Gary Faulkner
- 8 Ellen Sherwood, Zachary Kinsey
- 9 Chuck Davis, Betty Sanger
- 10 Mat Baynard, Jane Marshall, James Booth
- 11 Dylan Faulkner
- 13 Brandt Wooters, Londyn Honeman
- 14 Jaxon Fox, Joel Lohr
- 16 Charles Schwaninger
- 17 Jim Lohr, Adeline Kelley
- 18 Bill Schuyler
- 20 Robyn Glass
- 21 Makayla Mullikin, Katelynn Miles
- 22 Jamie Crannell
- 23 Eric Harvey, Sarah Price
- 24 Kip Wood, Darin Jones
- 25 Sarah Scaglione
- 26 Kelsey Basel, Greg Mullikin
- 28 Josie Berkey, Tammy Haddaway
- 29 Cameron Edsall, Ladainian Jones



- 2 Randy & Susan Walbridge
- 6 David & Joy Phelps
- 9 Bill & Laurie Schnaitman
- 19 Mark & Tammy Miller
- 20 Les & Marlena Groves
- 24 Geoff & Lee Ann Fox
- 26 Tom & Janet Golt
- 27 Emerson & Karen Tarr
- Adam & Julie Schwaninger
- 30 James & Sallie Griswold
- Walt & Cheryl Hoevenaars

The Leadership Team will meet on Monday, September 14 at 2:00 p.m.

Leadership Team

meeting



AA Group

Mid Shore Intergroup is a local AA group that meets at our church every Wednesday evening at 7p. For more information, please go to

www.midshoreintergroup.org.

Vespers will be held at Roundtop Church on Wednesday evening, September 23 at 7:00 p.m.



Christian Formation Classes begin on September 13 at 9:30 a.m.

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayer." Acts 2: 42

Following classes:

Parlor class- "Salt and Light" curriculum

Pathfinders- "The God we can know" series.

The Christian Ed. team would like to thank teachers for their time and commitment in teaching these classes.

Prayer List



Please pray especially for the following individuals and their families: for health care workers, and for government and civic leaders who are seeking the best way forward, for our District, for all those who have been affected economically, for Camp Mardela and administrator Jennifer Williams-Summy, students and teachers heading back to school, Jimmy Mullikin, Lee Wildasin, Alan Boyd, Debbie Russ, Sharon Miller, Michael Anders, Bianca Martinez and her family, Jay Lewis, Amy Saulsbury Hutchison, Terri Tarr, Ron Miller, Joyce Battle, Les Groves, Howard Miller, Carol Segar, Paul Shortall, Lynn Butler, Vicky Johnson, Norma Trax, Jay Lister, Tim Fluharty, Connie Griep, Cecilia Stephenson, Morgan Harvey, Nadia Schlotzhauer, Dean Clutts, Nora Quidas, John Evans, Holly Hill Jones (Larry Fike's stepdaughter), Cheryl Dayton, Chris Lyons, Ruth Gunn, Larry & Barbara McCann, Jeanette & Bob Miller, Bruce Butler, Loretta Lohr, Adele Pogue, Caitlyn Bussey, Theresa Durnbaugh, Billy Harding, Larry Fike, GraceWay CoB, Dee Candel, continuous prayers for our church family in Nigeria, continued prayers for Comfort Amos. Pray for leaders & people that are working towards peace. ***Please phone or email the church office to add or remove names. Thank you!***



Worship Leaders Are Needed!!

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 and it's only every 5-6 weeks that you will serve. If you would like to join this team of volunteers or want more information, please contact the church office or Marlena Groves (Nurture Chair).

Neighborhood Service Center 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 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.

Neighborhood Services of Talbot (NST) (Effective 9/1 – new name)

Please contact Andy Hollis, Executive Director, if you are interested in volunteering at the center. Their phone number is 410-822-5015.

Talbot Interfaith Shelter

The 2026 Talbot Interfaith Shelter (TIS) 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 month. Any questions, please contact Norma Trax. **Our next date will be September 19. Volunteers are needed to help make a meal. Please consider this ministry. Sign-up sheets are in the narther**



SERVING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

	9/6/2026	9/13/2026	9/20/2026	9/27/2026
	NO WORSHIP AT CHURCH			
Message	Family Camp			
Worship Leader		Lynn Butler	Wanda Baynard	Mat Baynard
Head Usher/Sound		Ron Miller	Ron Miller	Ron Miller
Deacons on Call	Jane Marshall & Anne Harvey	Leroy & Sharon Miller	Ron & Elisa Miller	John & Norma Trax
Special Music		Choir	Amy Bachand	Ellen Wile
Flowers				

Handbell practice starts on Thursday, August 27, in the Fellowship Hall, beginning at 6 pm.



Choir practice will begin at 7 pm. following handbells.



All are welcome to join!

Tidewater Singers Monday rehearsals begin Monday, September 14, 7-9 p.m., and go through to November 30.



Peacing~It Together

September 11: A Day of Remembrance and Service

The nation changed forever on September 11, 2001. Many Americans remember a country before and a country after, and for many young Americans, only a country after. Terrorist attacks causing tragic loss of life at the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in sight of the nation's capital, and a quiet field in southern Pennsylvania led to conversations and reflection on American identity, patriotism, security, and service that resonate today.



A National Day of Remembrance

For months following September 11, 2001, people came together to grieve with family, friends, and strangers. More than 25 years later, we still do. Sometimes called "Patriots Day" or "Day of Remembrance", September 11 has become an annual day for many Americans to remember, reflect, honor, and mourn.

Memorials were created in communities around the country and at the three main sites of the attack. Flight 93 National Memorial in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, is part of the National Park System as a memorial to 40 passengers and crew who thwarted an additional attack preventing the loss of more lives. Consider visiting a national park for remembrance.

Updates for District Conference and Camp Supper from Pastor Ken George, Ridgely Church of the Brethren

Volunteers for the day get free lunches. Need list of volunteers by mid-Sept.

They'll need additional chairs, some of the cushioned ones we have (at Ridgely) might suit, Also need helpers and trucks to deliver them to Camp before the meeting dates.

Need an announcer before meals and general announcements about workshops, etc.

Ushers, tellers, and vote-counters, help with registration tables. Parking Lot attendants. Golf-cart drivers.

May need help with Communion, no foot-washing.

Communion Bread.

Hay wagon drivers.

I also want to point out the need for help, in any capacity, for the Camp Supper. This supper has been pushed back to early November but is also in danger of being canceled altogether. My wife, Tina, has taken over coordinating the event this year, and is feeling a bit overwhelmed by all that it entails. During a meeting a few days ago, she requested assistance and got no response. If you can provide any help, please email her at tenderlovingcare36@gmail.com. We would all appreciate it!

Peace to you, and God's blessings,
Ken George

First Time Ever...

OLDER ADULT

Retreat

in the Mid-Atlantic District

Ages: 50+

At the Mid-Atlantic District Older Adult Retreat at Shepherd's Spring, with a theme of "Creating Peace", the retreat will explore creating peace with our neighbors, creation, and ourselves. Each day will offer a presentation along with many activities from which to choose.

- ✓ Fellowship & Worship
- ✓ Learn & Serve
- ✓ Relax & Rejuvenate



SEPTEMBER 14-18



SHEPHERD'S SPRING

16869 Taylors Landing Rd.
Sharpsburg, MD 21782



Registration

<https://shepherdsspring.campbrainregistration.com/>





Roman's 14:10-13

10 Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. 11 For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." 12 So then, each one of us will be held accountable. 13 Let us therefore no longer pass judgment on one another, but resolve instead never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother or sister.

Conference Emblem by CJ Bowman

2026 Mid-Atlantic DISTRICT CONFERENCE

October 9 & 10

CAMP MARDELA

301 Deep Shore Rd., Denton, MD 21629-3408

FRIDAY NIGHT CAMPFIRE

Campfire Songs • Inspirational Stories • S'mores!

More information to follow as available



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NOV 14TH, 2026 4-7PM
301 DEEP SHORE RD, DENTON, MD

**HAM, TURKEY, MASHED POTATOES,
GREEN BEANS, SWEET POTATOES
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DESSERTS, BEVERAGES**

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Meals available for
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Meals provided by

Eat Sprout



EVERY TUESDAY

from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
or until we run out!



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