

Scalp Level Covenant Brethren Church

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Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 9 am – 12
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Sunday School – 9:15am
Morning Worship – 10:30am

WHAT WE BELIEVE

We believe there is only one Almighty God eternally existent in three distinct, co-equal and co-eternal Persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

We believe that the Bible is inspired by God, without error & completely trustworthy.

We believe that all people have fallen into sin, have a sin nature & sin separates us from God.

We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ, that He lived a perfect life, died on the cross for sin & rose from the grave conquering sin & death.

We believe that through faith in Jesus alone, our sins are forgiven and we receive eternal life.

We believe it is our calling as Christ's Church to share this good news and live holy lives.

We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling a Christian is enabled to live a godly life and empowered to go and share the good news

We believe in the sanctity of marriage and that God created one biological male and one biological female and blessed their union through marriage.

We believe in the sanctity of all human life from conception until death.

Last Month's Offerings

6-2-24	\$3,503.00
6-9-24	\$1,871.00
6-16-24	\$3,118.00
6-23-24	\$7,021.00
6-30-24	\$2,766.62
Total	\$18,279.62

Amount needed
to meet the budget
last month

Difference \$3,601.27

JULY BIRTHDAYS

2—Murray Stossel
4—Amy O'Hara
5—Brett Crisi
6—Marcello Harris
8—Ann Hoffman
14—Bob Thomas
20—Christine Fisher
21—Emily Hoffman
28—Sterling Maystorovich
29—Cole Hoffman



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

16—Brett & Emily Hoffman
19—Rick & Cindy Roman
25—Robert & Delores Nicks

IN OUR *Thoughts and Prayers*

PRAYER CONCERNS

SHORT TERM

Deb Adams
 Baby Noah
 Louise Brehm
 Doug Bruce
 Richard Burkett
 Gary Caputo
 Bryan Custer
 Michelle Decker
 Lynn Deanor
 Mary Dorich
 Baby Evelyn
 Dick Feightner
 Pastor Pete Kaltenbaugh
 Carol Kohler
 Dee Kish
 Hilda Miller
 Isaac Miller
 David Oatman
 Kathleen Otto
 Roxanne – D's friend
 Justin Salamone
 Lisa Zanke Shaffer family
 Jane Shirk
 Chris Shuster
 Thomas Wade
 Pastor Erica Wellner
 Matt Wilson – deployed
 Pat Yates family
 Stephen Yuhas

LONG TERM:

Jocelynn Berkebile
 Pauline Blough
 Ryan Creager
 Wesley Donelson
 Sarah Fuska
 Donna Greig
 Larry Hartman
 Ann Hoffman
 Tyler Kalp
 Elizabeth Karalfa
 AJ Kniss
 Jean Krug
 Ardyth Laney
 Chester Mickey
 Richard Manges
 Mac Newman
 Judah Pope
 Rick Roman
 Ansley Stigers
 Cherry Thomas
 Timothy Wade

MISSION WORK

Ben & Jessi Bock &
 Family, Spain
 Andrew Metcalfe,
 Samaritan's Purse - Texas

LONG TERM –CANCER:

Terry Berkebile
 Bryan Custer
 Dale
 Teresa Freeboy
 Jess Harclerode
 Glenn Hundertmark
 Jack
 Jodi
 John – Amy Berkey's uncle
 Joni
 Jim Kormanik
 Mike
 Delene Pluta
 Diane Podolak
 Bev & Tom Pomroy
 Ryan Pritt
 Debbie Shoemaker
 Susan Simmonds
 Pastor Val

Ministry of the Month:

Precious Life

CBC Annual Meeting:

July 18th-20th

CBC Regional Church prayer partner

Within the region, our prayer partner church is Center CBC which is near New Centerville, PA.
 Keep Pastor Homer Painter in your prayers as he leads their church family. Thanks!



Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, Have you seen the “He Gets Us” commercials? Most likely you have seen one or two of them. They are commercials designed to get a conversation started about Jesus. One of the recent commercials features a few people

who are first asked, “In English, what is the most difficult thing to say?” Each person learned English as a second language and their answers range from the word “sixth” to any words with “TH” and one lady struggled with distinguishing between “scissors” and “Caesar”. English for sure is a difficult and goofy language!

Next, they ask the people what is difficult to say emotionally. This now gets a little more personal. The answers shared were: “Goodbye” ... “I forgive you” ... “I love you” ... & “I was wrong.” As difficult as some words are to pronounce, the difficulty of expressing some words and phrases goes far beyond pronunciation! Maybe you have struggled with some of these phrases? Maybe there are some that you would add to this list!

The phrase I want to focus on is “I was wrong”. How hard is it to confess and admit that you were wrong? I don’t like admitting it and I’m guessing that you don’t either. Maybe I try to hide it when I’m wrong, excuse it when I sin or just move on as if nothing happened and hope that the other people involved won’t notice or just look over what I did! Why do we have such a hard time with confession and admitting our wrong doing?? Why do we fail to see the great good of confession?

As Christ’s church, we ought to be a community marked by confession, repentance and forgiveness – we ought to be able to say, “I was wrong!” Martin Luther’s first statement of his famous 95 Theses was this, “Our Lord and Master Jesus Christ, when He said “Repent”, willed that the whole life of believers should be repentance.” There should never be the illusion that the church is a whole bunch of perfect people who never do wrong. Yes, we are covered in the blood of Jesus, but we will mess up in our Christian walk as I John 1:8 says, “If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us.”

So, if we still struggle with sin, what separates us from the world? Confession and repentance! The Christian admits their sin and trusts in Jesus. The Christian runs to the cross daily and confesses sin. Why? I John 1:9 says, “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all righteousness.” Through Christ we can safely confess and repent of sin knowing that we already stand forgiven before God. We can confess because there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ! We don’t have to hide or cover up our sin! We don’t have to try to fix it ourselves because Christ paid for it on the cross!

Daily confession and repentance identify the church as a people who have received and understood the gospel of Jesus Christ (see I John 1:10). Confession and repentance show the world that there is a path to forgiveness, healing and restored relationships through the blood of Jesus Christ.

Let us be a church who lives out Christ’s gospel in our community and in the world. Let us embrace the great good of confession that while painful in the moment always leads us back to the forgiveness and freedom of the cross. Are you and I willing to trust Christ by confessing our sins before Him and to one another so that we may receive His healing in our lives? Does the world see us, His church, living out the truth of the gospel through confession, repentance and forgiveness?

In Christ’s love, Pastor Mark

Upcoming Sermons:

New Series: "The Songs of Jesus"

7/7 – "The Treasures in Your Heart" – Psalm 119

7/14 – "His Love Endures Forever" – Psalm 136

7/21 – Guest Speaker – Nick Miller, Run Home Camps

7/28 – "Blessed are the Broken" – Psalm 51

Baptism & New Members on Sunday, July 7th

We are excited to welcome to our church family four new members. Piper Hoffman and Anthony Harris who will be joining our church family through baptism and Gayle & Francis "Unk" Donelson are joining by reaffirmation of faith. Piper's sponsor is Anne Murchie, Anthony's sponsor is Patrick Hoffman, and Gayle & Unk's sponsors are Mary Lou & Lionel Berkebile. Come join us for worship as we celebrate new life in Christ and welcome these four into our church family!

Wednesday Night Prayer & Devotion

We will meet on Wednesday July 31st @ 6:00 for prayer and a short devotion. All are welcome to join us to be encouraged, refreshed and to join in the ministry of prayer for our church and one another!

ACTS 29 Youth Group

We will look to meet once a month over the summer for a few special events. Stay tuned to the bulletin for more information and if you have not signed up for the Remind app to get announcements about upcoming events, here is the link: <https://www.remind.com/join/acts29yg>

Summer Communion – Sunday, July 14th

We will be sharing communion during worship on Sunday, July 14th. Jesus said, "Do this in remembrance of Me." All who are in Christ are invited to come and worship Him as we remember His sacrifice for our sins and participate in the Lord's Supper.

WORK NIGHT AT CHURCH

Come join us, Monday, July 15th at 6pm. We will be having a work night to weed and trim the bushes around the outside of our church. Everyone is welcome to come.



Sat, Aug. 10th 4-8pm

**WINDBER RECREATION PARK
160 Recreation Rd
Windber, PA 15963**

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!



**FREE FOOD, CHRISTIAN
MUSIC, GAMES, AND CRAFTS!**

We are in need of donations:

5 cases of water (24-pack)

10 dozen cookies (packaged 2 cookies per bag).

There is a donation sign-up outside of the office to help us keep track.

Covenant Brethren Annual Meeting

The CBC Annual Meeting is happening from July 18th-20th at Chiques CBC in Manheim, PA. Pastor Mark will be attending and representing our church. Please keep this meeting in prayer as we meet to worship and seek the Lord's will for our growing denomination. Thanks!

Ministry to Single Parents

"Taste and see that the Lord is good."

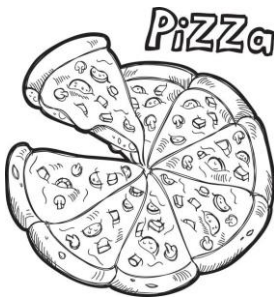
— Psalm 34:8

The challenges of raising kids today are immense and are even more challenging for single parents. Our goal is to come alongside and be a measure of grace to single parents and caregivers of children. We wish to show the love of Christ by supplying a prepared meal for single adult families raising children and to build relationships in our church family.

Here is how it works: Anyone willing in the church is invited to prepare a meal that can be frozen and put into the freezer located in the classroom next to the downstairs men's restroom. From there, a meal could be picked up from the freezer by a single parent family after morning worship or taken by a church member to a family that is in this situation as an outreach from our church. If you would like to participate in this ministry, there is more information in the lobby or you can contact Dave & JoAn Oatman at (814) 421-3436.

Bella Gift Cards

Bella gift cards are available to purchase as a fundraiser for the United Churches of Windber. Please contact Mary Lou Berkebile (814-467-5206), Carol Caputo (814-467-9048) or Pastor Mark Murchie (814-467-8460) to purchase a gift card.



Camp Harmony Summer Camp Registration

Our church pays half of the cost for one week of camp for any child or youth who regularly attends church, Sunday School, or youth group. There are camps available for Pre-K through 12th grade. There is a flyer on the hall window with a schedule of dates. Register online at www.campharmony.org/summercamp

Please let Chuck know which camp you will be attending. There are bring a friend and sibling discounts available. If you need additional financial assistance or have any questions, call Adele (814) 288-1115 or the church office (814) 467-8460.

RightNow Media

Do you have questions about the bible? Are you looking for ways to grow in your faith in Christ? Have you been discouraged and distracted by all the negativity in our culture? Then I challenge you to look into RightNow Media and discover this free Biblical resource that has been made available to you through our churches subscription.

RightNow Media offers numerous video Bible Studies on biblical books, scriptural topics and there are many video series that address the current issues of our day from a biblical foundation. There are video series relating to parenting, marriage, youth, men, women, leadership and much more. If you are looking to grow in Christ and find biblical answers, then tune in!

If you don't have access to Right Now Media, all you need to do is contact the church office and give us your email. From there Pastor Mark will send you an invitation which will take you to a link where you can create your account and then you can get started! Don't miss out on this resource and how it can help you grow in your faith in Christ!

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Scalp Level Covenant Brethren Church
Budget
January through December 2024

06/09/24

	Jan - Dec 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Income	0.00		
Expense			
100 Outreach			
101 COVENANT BRETHERN CHURCH	1,500.00	3,000.00	-1,500.00
102 REGION 3 CBC	1,000.00	2,000.00	-1,000.00
103 CAMP HARMONY	1,500.00	3,000.00	-1,500.00
104 BERKEY CEMETERY	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
105 UNITED CHURCHES	250.00	250.00	0.00
106 SCALP LEVEL FIRE CO.	300.00	300.00	0.00
107 NEW DAY INC / WINDBER	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00
108 UPJ CAMPUS MINISTRIES	300.00	300.00	0.00
115G LENTEN SERVICE	367.00		
115GG PRECIOUS LIFE	500.00		
115J COMPASSION HOUSE	1,020.00		
115K WINDBER FOOD PANTRY	900.00		
115PT PASTOR MARK SUPPORT	988.00		
Total 100 Outreach	10,925.00	11,150.00	-225.00
200 Executive			
201A SALARY	16,666.70	40,000.00	-23,333.30
201B RETIREMENT HOUSING	480.00	480.00	0.00
201C PENSION	2,464.00	4,930.00	-2,466.00
201D DISCRETIONARY FUND	130.65	2,500.00	-2,369.35
201E TRAVEL ALLOWANCE	1,000.00	2,400.00	-1,400.00
201F - CBC ANNUAL MEETING	75.00	500.00	-425.00
201G CONTINUING EDUCATION	34.87	1,000.00	-965.13
202 MODERATOR	0.00	35.00	-35.00
203 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	4,620.00	11,100.00	-6,480.00
204 OFFICE SUPPLIES/EXPENSES	13.00	1,000.00	-987.00
205 POSTAGE	272.00	1,100.00	-828.00
206 CUSTODIAN SERVICES	2,310.00	6,360.00	-4,050.00
207 PAYROLL TAXES	4,438.10	2,800.00	1,638.10
208 PULPIT SUPPLY	75.00	450.00	-375.00
209 MUSIC MINISTRIES	103.42	1,000.00	-896.58
210 YOUTH DIRECTOR/YOUTH MSTY	6,666.64	17,000.00	-10,333.36
211 CBC DELEGATES	0.00	800.00	-800.00
212 MISC.	25.00	400.00	-375.00
212 MISC.PT RESTRICTED ACCOUNT	0.00	0.00	0.00
213 PAYROLL PREPARATION	588.00	1,000.00	-412.00
Total 200 Executive	39,962.38	94,855.00	-54,892.62
300 Nurture			
301 MUSIC	0.00	25.00	-25.00
302 FLOWERS/DEATHS & BIRTHS	0.00	100.00	-100.00
302PT HOLIDAY FLOWERS	235.00	0.00	235.00
303 WORSHIP SUPPLIES	600.00	800.00	-200.00
304 CHILDREN'S CHURCH	0.00	25.00	-25.00
305 SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES	144.27	900.00	-755.73
306 CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS	0.00	600.00	-600.00
307 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	0.00	500.00	-500.00
307PT - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	114.75		
308 SPECIAL OCCASIONS GIFTS	31.97	350.00	-318.03
309 SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY	0.00	200.00	-200.00
310 PROGRAMING	0.00	1,300.00	-1,300.00
311 MISC.	0.00	100.00	-100.00
311PT-MISC	82.28		
312 PROGRAMING	313.82		
Total 300 Nurture	1,522.09	4,900.00	-3,377.91
400 Witness			
401 PROGRAMING	0.00	300.00	-300.00
402 RIGHT NOW MEDIA	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
403 MISC	0.00	100.00	-100.00

	Jan - Dec 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget
403PT MISC	250.00	0.00	250.00
Total 400 Witness	250.00	1,400.00	-1,150.00
500 Stewards			
501 REPAIR AND EQUIPMENT	2,482.24	4,000.00	-1,517.76
502 CLEANING SUPPLIES	63.97	700.00	-636.03
503 INSURANCE	4,596.00	9,100.00	-4,504.00
504 PROPERTY TAXES	1,264.07	2,300.00	-1,035.93
505 FUEL OIL	6,640.00	16,000.00	-9,360.00
506 ELECTRICITY	1,517.17	2,600.00	-1,082.83
507 TELEPHONE	1,697.70	3,000.00	-1,302.30
508 WATER AND GARBAGE	739.75	2,000.00	-1,260.25
509 OFFERING ENVELOPES	298.73	200.00	98.73
510 MEMORIAL FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00
511 MISC.	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 500 Stewards	19,299.63	40,000.00	-20,700.37
600 Deacon Bd			
601 COMMUNION SUPPLIES	73.32	250.00	-176.68
602 DEACON FUND	396.00	0.00	396.00
602pt	250.00		
603 MISC.	99.72	100.00	-0.28
Total 600 Deacon Bd	819.04	350.00	469.04
Total Expense	72,778.14	152,655.00	-79,876.86
Net Income	<u>-72,778.14</u>	<u>-152,655.00</u>	<u>79,876.86</u>

06/09/24

Scalp Level Covenant Brethren Church
Summary Report by Month
 May 2024

	May 24
Income	
Deposit	
Envelopes	14,216.00
Interest	1.43
Misc.	
VBS Donations	500.00
Youth Ministry Donation	834.00
Total Misc.	1,334.00
Sunday School	145.00
Total Deposit	15,696.43
Total Income	15,696.43
Expense	
100 Outreach	
101 COVENANT BRETHREN CHURCH	750.00
102 REGION 3 CBC	500.00
103 CAMP HARMONY	750.00
115GG PRECIOUS LIFE	500.00
Total 100 Outreach	2,500.00
200 Executive	
201A SALARY	3,333.34
201D DISCRETIONARY FUND	26.13
201E TRAVEL ALLOWANCE	200.00
201F - CBC ANNUAL MEETING	75.00
201G CONTINUING EDUCATION	34.87
203 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	924.00
206 CUSTODIAN SERVICES	462.00
207 PAYROLL TAXES	768.81
208 PULPIT SUPPLY	75.00
212 MISC.	25.00
Total 200 Executive	5,924.15
300 Nurture	
307PT - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	114.75
312 PROGRAMING	213.82
Total 300 Nurture	328.57
500 Stewards	
501 REPAIR AND EQUIPMENT	248.28
505 FUEL OIL	1,328.00
506 ELECTRICITY	218.63
507 TELEPHONE	781.56
508 WATER AND GARBAGE	116.75
Total 500 Stewards	2,693.22
Total Expense	11,445.94
Net Income	<u>4,250.49</u>

BALANCE

34,281.46

SAVING ACCOUNTS

Deacon Fund	2,235.27
General Fund MM	31,623.62
Memorial Fund MM	15,168.19
Model Wealth Portfolios	35,825.78
Raymond James	17,604.43
Maintenance Fund	21,690.20
Jim & Denise Hayes Youth Fund	11,928.83



Dennis Hoffman, Treasurer

SCALP LEVEL COVENANT BRETHREN CHURCH

CHURCH BOARD

June 17, 2024

The Church Board met at 8:00 p.m. on June 17, 2024. The following members were present: Zach Denk, Norma Creager, Wanda Custer, Mary Lou Berkebile, Audrey Coleman, Carol Caputo, Dave Oatman, Joe Denk, Kevin Kiser, Lionel Berkebile, Denny Hoffman and Pastor Mark.

Zach Denk called the meeting to order and Pastor Mark led us in prayer.

Minutes from the May 20, 2024 meeting were approved as printed with the correction of the spelling of Gary Rowles under New Business.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Received the May Summary Report by Month and the 2024 Budget Report to date.

NURTURE COMMISSION: Norma Creager

1. 37 attended the Graduate Luncheon on June 2nd. Expenses were \$213.82 Carlyns for the meal and dessert, drinks, etc \$72.15. A free-will offering was collected in the amount of \$47.00.
2. Vacation Bible School started today. 31 students attended.
3. A Kid's Fun Day is planned for November 16th.
4. Updating Job Description directives for those facilitating Mother's and Father's Day recognitions.
5. **THANK YOU:** Carlyns for catering the Graduate Luncheon and all those that helped clean up after the meal. To Anne Murchie, Quinn O'Hara and Carl Murchie for presenting the Father's Day tribute and for handing out candies to the men of the congregation.

WITNESS COMMISSION: Audrey Coleman

1. The cleaning supplies collected during the month of May were delivered to Kuddle Korner Daycare.
2. The Precious Life baby bottle project is finishing up.
3. Praise in the Park – a few things still up in the air. The entertainment schedule and food are good. Having another meeting the last Thursday of this month. Have been having a difficult time getting all those involved together to meet.

STEWARDS COMMISSION: Joe Denk

1. Thank you to everyone that helped hang the cross and the sign on the church building.
2. Scheduled a Work Night for Monday, July 15th at 6:00 p.m.
3. Will be following up with Integrity Flooring to get a quote for the floor in the fellowship hall.
4. A dehumidifier was purchased for the parsonage at a cost of \$184.00.
5. Will be discussing cutting down the tree in the back of the church.

DEACON REPORT: Denny Hoffman

1. Coordinating with Pastor Mark for summer communion which will be held during morning worship on July 14th.
2. Coordinating with Pastor Mark for baptism and receiving of new members on July 7th during morning worship.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pastor Mark

1. July 7th will be baptizing Anthony Harris and Piper Hoffman and receiving Unk & Gayle Donelson into our church family by reaffirmation of faith.

<u>May Statistics:</u>	21	Visits (home, or hospital etc.)
	4	Prayer Meeting
	7	Bible Studies (taught or attended)
	4	Taught Sunday School
	2	Communion
	3	Church related meetings
	2	Other ministry related meetings
	1	CBC Region Three Board Meeting
	4	FCA
	1	Thursday Night Fellowship
	1	Ministerium meeting
	3	Youth Group
	1	Sight & Sound Trip w/ youth
	1	Men's Breakfast
	2	Community Events
		Numerous calls, text messages and emails

A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Nick Miller/Run Home Camp is confirmed to fill the pulpit on July 21st.
2. Pastor Mark read Phillipians 1:1-11 and then facilitated a discussion regarding updating and verifying the vision of our church, our mission statement and core values. We are to think about this and how to communicate these ideas.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Will need pulpit supply for October 13th and November 24th.

AUGUST MEETING will be held on Monday, August 19, 2024.

Closing prayer by Denny.

Meeting Adjourned.

Submitted by: Deanna Hoffman, Church Clerk

