

Scalp Level Covenant Brethren Church

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Office Hours
Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 9 am – noon

Sunday School – 9:15am
Morning Worship – 10:30am

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

3—Jill Gnagey
5—Marilyn Hadix
10—Madison Walker
11—Sharon Kelley
12—Kevin Kiser, Milo Hoffman
13—Quinn O'Hara, Carl Murchie
14—Scott Wilson
15—Nathan Walker
18—Joe Denk
19—Lori Kiser
21—Kaitlyn Walker
23—Sidney Warshel
24—Ruth Hindman, Lois Napora
26—Linda Coleman, Jason Reese
27—Piper Hoffman

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

7—Bill & Janet Hoffman
8—Chuck & Adele Madera
25—Nathan & Madison Walker

PURPOSE STATEMENT

“Linking young and old together to share the gospel and transform the world one life at a time.”

VISION STATEMENT

“Relying on the Holy Spirit to develop mature disciples in a Christ centered environment that welcomes and encourages all people to actively participate and contribute to the life of the Church.”

CORE VALUES

- 1) **Biblical Teaching**
 - “The Word of God from Genesis to Revelation is our foundation and authority.”
 - Matthew 7:24-27; II Timothy 3:16-17
- 2) **Fervent in Prayer**
 - “Prayer is not the last step but our first step.”
 - I Thessalonians 5:17, Luke 5:16
- 3) **Christlike Service**
 - “Following the example of Christ who washed His disciples’ feet, we embrace service as our lifestyle.”
 - John 13:1-17, Luke 10:30-37, Mark 10:45
- 4) **Authentic Discipleship**
 - “Maturing to be like Christ through committed relationships and the unity of the Spirit.”
 - Luke 2:52, Hebrews 10:23-25
- 5) **Radical Generosity**
 - “As God’s stewards, with excellence we give more than we take that Christ may be glorified.”
 - Luke 6:38, I Corinthians 10:31, Romans 12:1-8
- 6) **Faithful Witness**
 - “We love and live to show and tell the world the gospel of Jesus Christ.”
 - Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 4:19-20
- 7) **Genuine Fellowship**
 - “Value and pursue life together to worship, serve and encourage one another as the beloved family of God”
 - Acts 2:42-47, Ephesians 4:1-6



Upcoming Sermons:

New Series: "See How Great a Love" -- I John
6/1 – “We will be like Him” – I John 3:1-10, Graduate Sunday
6/8 -- Gary Rowles speaking
6/15 -- See how great the Savior’s love – I John 3:11-24
6/22 -- Greater is He!! – I John 4:1-14
6/29 – Talk the talk & Walk the walk – I John 4:15-5:4

May Offerings

5-4-25	\$3,771.00
5-11-25	\$2,318.00
5-18-25	\$1,583.00
5-25-25	\$1,640.10
Total	\$9,312.10

Amount needed to meet the budget	\$11,532.28
Difference	(\$2,220.18)

IN OUR *Thoughts and Prayers*

PRAYER CONCERNS	LONG TERM:	LONG TERM –CANCER:
SHORT TERM Nancy Abbott Jocelynn & baby Ferris Benko Ron Bimeal Lindsey Boyer Denny Brant Pastor Joe Brown Joe Canonni Marie Chippie Audrey Coleman Sharon Custer Wanda Custer Barb Dax Eric Frazier Ernest Jerin Gethsemane CBC, Congo David Grata Lauren Greathouse Isabella Harris Donald Hoenstine Ann Hoffman family Brett Hoffman Jessica Jacobs and baby Ashley Krug Shelley Metcalfe Michelle Thiel-Craig Tammy Plows Daryl Pritt family Rik Roman family Lucy Santichen Andrew Shroyer Peyton Urban Thomas Wade MISSION WORK Ben & Jessi Bock & Family, Spain Andrew Metcalfe, Samaritan's Purse Rumbavu CBC, Rwanda, Africa	LONG TERM: Jocelynn Berkebile Pauline Blough Ryan Creager Gary Caputo Wesley Donelson Donna Greig Larry Hartman Ann Hoffman Donna Johnson Tyler Kalp Elizabeth Karalfa AJ Kniss Jean Krug Ardyth Laney Chester Mickey Mac Newman Tammy Plows Ansley Stigers Cherry Thomas Timothy Wade Thomas Wade Pastor Erica Wellner	LONG TERM –CANCER: Bryan Custer Dale Teresa Freeboy Jess Harclerode Jack John – Amy Berkey's uncle Joni Jim Kormanik Mike Delene Pluta Diane Podolak Bev & Tom Pomroy Ryan Pritt Debbie Shoemaker Susan Simmonds Pastor Val Tina Yinkey

CBC Regional Church prayer partner

Within the region, our prayer partner church is Farmington Bethel CBC.



Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,

One of the most challenging things in life is embracing adversity, trials and tribulations as given from the hand of God. Will we trust Him? Will we even “consider it all joy whenever you encounter various trials” (James 1:2)?

Everything that touches our lives passes through the Father’s loving hands and Jesus’ outstretched arms on the cross tell us that He can be trusted in every trial even when we cannot grasp God’s purposes in the heat of the trial. Jesus’ resurrection promises us that in every trial He will bring about new life as we pass through the valley and keep our eyes on Him. His ascension promises us that He intercedes for us before that Father and therefore every trial is truly for our good. So, in view of God’s power, purposes and promises, do we consider it all joy whenever we face adversity? Do we discipline our hearts as God’s children to enjoy adversity?? (James 1:2-4) In light of that, I read the following devotion from *My Upmost for His Highest* by Oswald Chambers on May 14th which encouraged me. I hope it encourages and challenges you:

The Habit of Enjoying Adversity

“that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our body.” – 2 Corinthians 4:10

We have to develop godly habits to express what God’s grace has done in us. It is not just a question of being saved from hell, but of being saved so that “the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.” And it is adversity that makes us exhibit His life in our mortal flesh. Is my life exhibiting the essence of the sweetness of the Son of God, or just the basic irritation of “myself” that I would have apart from Him? The only thing that will enable me to enjoy adversity is the acute sense of eagerness in allowing the life of the Son of God to evidence itself in me. No matter how difficult something may be, I must say, **“Lord, I am delighted to obey you in this.”** Instantly the Son of God will move to the forefront of my life, and will manifest in my body that which glorifies Him.

You must not debate. The moment you obey the light of God, His Son shines though you in that very adversity; but if you debate with God, you grieve His Spirit (see Ephesians 4:30). You must keep yourself in the proper condition to allow the life of the Son of God to be manifested in you, and you cannot keep yourself fit if you give way to self-pity. Our circumstances are the means God uses to exhibit just how wonderfully perfect and extraordinarily pure His Son is. Discovering a new way of manifesting the Son of God should make our heart beat with renewed excitement. It is one thing to choose adversity, and quite another to enter into adversity through the orchestrating of our circumstances by God’s sovereignty. And if God puts you into adversity, He is adequately sufficient to “supply all your need” (Philippians 4:19).

Keep your soul properly conditioned to manifest the life of the Son of God. Never live on your memories, but let the Word of God always be living and active in you.

Brothers and sisters, whatever adversity you find yourself in, God is with you and adequately sufficient. Adversity is a God given opportunity for the life and light of Jesus to be revealed in and through you to a world that desperately needs to see Him. Embrace the spiritual habit of enjoying adversity for we have a Savior who has overcome all adversity and who has resurrection power to transform every adversity for His glory and our good as we walk with Him.

In Christ’s love,

Pastor Mark

PRAISE in the PARK

Join us August 16th from 4-8pm at Windber Recreational Park for our 6th annual Praise in the Park event! It's going to be a great time with free food, music, games, and crafts for the whole community. Local praise teams and musicians will be performing live Christian music throughout the evening. This event is a collaborative effort among Windber churches to promote unity and share the message of Jesus Christ with our community.

PRAISE IN THE PARK

TEE

YTH/ADULT \$6.00

XXL \$8.00

XXXL \$10.00



Name _____

DEADLINE DATE
JULY 16, 2025

PHONE _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: SCALP LEVEL COVENANT
BRETHREN CHURCH

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TEE										

NO GARMENTS WILL BE ORDERED WITHOUT PAYMENT

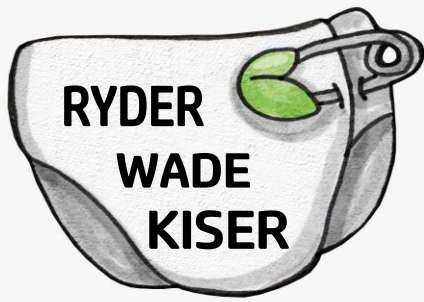
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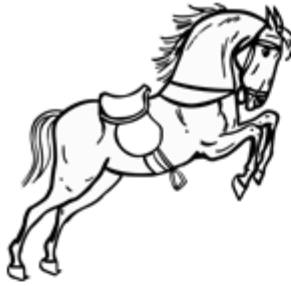
Celebrate with our church family and the Kiser family as we are blessed with another "gift from God". The Deacons are sponsoring a diaper/baby wipes blessing for RYDER WADE KISER born May 19, 2025 (6 lbs. 9 oz.) to Kevin & Lori Kiser. Donations can be placed in the small crib in the foyer during the month of June. Thank you!

PRECIOUS LIFE BOTTLES

In support of Precious Life of Johnstown, a pregnancy care ministry for young women, we will be hosting a "baby bottle" fund drive, beginning on Mother's Day, May 11th. Pick up your bottles in the lobby and return by Father's Day, June 15th with your donation. Please consider donating to this vital ministry that can truly help meet the needs of young women in crisis pregnancies.

Thursday Night Bible Study

We will be doing a short study on Wednesday June 18th, 25th and July 2nd at 6:00pm in the library and then we will break for July and August. Come out for time in prayer and time to grow in the word together!



Wonder Junction VBS
Scalp Level Church
August 4th – 8th
9:00 – 11:40am



Child's Name: _____

Age: _____ Grade just completed: _____

Parents' Names: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Additional emergency contact: _____

List any known allergies: _____

By participating in Bible School, you agree to allow photos & videos to be used on our media pages. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the church office.

Join us for a Journey of Wonder! Students age 3 through 6th grade are invited to join us on our epic train trip through the life of Jesus! Free games, snacks, crafts, songs, and Bible stories!

Please return to the church ASAP.

Bella Gift Cards

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

05/03/25

Scalp Level Covenant Brethren Church
Summary Report by Month
 April 2025

Apr 25

Income**Deposit**

Envelopes	6,993.00
Fellowship Hall	100.00
Interest	1.50
Lovefeast offering	326.00
Misc.	
Donation for Outreach	1,626.00
Easter Flowers	25.00
Initial Offerin	50.00
Meal Ministry	5.00

Total Misc. 1,706.00

Sunday School 132.00

Total Deposit 9,258.50

Transfer

Deacon Fund	1,800.00
Mem Fund MM	390.46

Total Transfer 2,190.46

Total Income 11,448.96

Expense**100 Outreach**

115PT PASTOR MARK SUPPORT	1,626.00
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Total 100 Outreach 1,626.00

200 Executive

201A SALARY	3,416.66
201C PENSION	1,259.50
201D DISCRETIONARY FUND	26.72
201E TRAVEL ALLOWANCE	200.00
201F - CBC ANNUAL MEETING	125.00
203 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	966.00
205 POSTAGE	146.00
206 CUSTODIAN SERVICES	483.00
207 PAYROLL TAXES	453.53
213 PAYROLL PREPARATION	287.00

Total 200 Executive 7,363.41

300 Nurture

302 FLOWERS/DEATHS & BIRTHS	38.97
303 WORSHIP SUPPLIES	280.00
305 SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES	48.15

Total 300 Nurture 367.12

500 Stewards

501 REPAIR AND EQUIPMENT	246.80
501PT	246.12
502 CLEANING SUPPLIES	10.05
503 INSURANCE	2,523.00
505 FUEL OIL	950.00
506 ELECTRICITY	290.81
507 TELEPHONE	238.71

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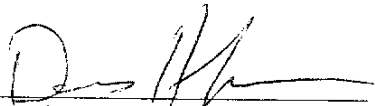
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April 2025

	Apr 25
508 WATER AND GARBAGE	123.91
Total 500 Stewards	4,629.40
600 Deacon Bd	
601 COMMUNION SUPPLIES	72.21
602pt	50.00
603 MISC.	0.00
Total 600 Deacon Bd	122.21
Total Expense	14,108.14
Net Income	-2,659.18

BALANCE 33,269.18

SAVING ACCOUNTS

Deacon Fund	1,621.48
General Fund MM	34,813.50
Memorial Fund MM	6,474.50
Model Wealth Portfolios	36,902.87
Raymond James	26,062.88
Maintenance Fund	28,778.11
Jim & Denise Hayes Youth Fund	11,939.73


Dennis Hoffman, Treasurer

5/03/25

Scalp Level Covenant Brethren Church
Budget
 January through December 2025

	Jan - Dec 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Income	0.00		
Expense			
100 Outreach			
101 COVENANT BRETHREN CHURCH	750.00	3,000.00	-2,250.00
102 REGION 3 CBC	500.00	2,000.00	-1,500.00
103 CAMP HARMONY	750.00	3,000.00	-2,250.00
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.	0.00	300.00	-300.00
107 NEW DAY INC / WINDBER	0.00	1,600.00	-1,600.00
108 UPJ CAMPUS MINISTRIES	0.00	300.00	-300.00
115AA SUPPORT FOR ERICA WELLNER	1,055.00		
115G LENTEN SERVICE	469.00		
115J COMPASSION HOUSE	600.00		
115K WINDBER FOOD PANTRY	600.00		
115PT PASTOR MARK SUPPORT	1,626.00		
115Q FCA	200.00		
115R WINDBER PANTRY PACKS	1,300.00		
Total 100 Outreach	9,100.00	11,450.00	-2,350.00
200 Executive			
201A SALARY	13,666.64	41,000.00	-27,333.36
201B RETIREMENT HOUSING	480.00	480.00	0.00
201C PENSION	2,519.00	5,040.00	-2,521.00
201D DISCRETIONARY FUND	106.88	2,500.00	-2,393.12
201E TRAVEL ALLOWANCE	800.00	2,400.00	-1,600.00
201F - CBC ANNUAL MEETING	125.00	600.00	-475.00
201G CONTINUING EDUCATION	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
202 MODERATOR	0.00	40.00	-40.00
203 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	3,864.00	11,600.00	-7,736.00
204 OFFICE SUPPLIES/EXPENSES	95.17	1,000.00	-904.83
205 POSTAGE	292.00	1,100.00	-808.00
206 CUSTODIAN SERVICES	1,932.00	6,360.00	-4,428.00
207 PAYROLL TAXES	1,686.80	3,000.00	-1,313.20
208 PULPIT SUPPLY	75.00	450.00	-375.00
209 MUSIC MINISTRIES	121.73	1,000.00	-878.27
210 YOUTH DIRECTOR/YOUTH MSTY	0.00	14,000.00	-14,000.00
211 CBC DELEGATES	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
212 MISC.	100.00	400.00	-300.00
212 MISC.PT RESTRICTED ACCOUNT	0.00	0.00	0.00
213 PAYROLL PREPARATION	641.00	1,200.00	-559.00
Total 200 Executive	26,505.22	94,170.00	-67,664.78
300 Nurture			
301 MUSIC	0.00	25.00	-25.00
302 FLOWERS/DEATHS & BIRTHS	38.97	100.00	-61.03
303 WORSHIP SUPPLIES	880.00	800.00	80.00
304 CHILDREN'S CHURCH	0.00	25.00	-25.00
305 SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES	148.27	900.00	-751.73
306 CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS	0.00	600.00	-600.00
307 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	408.16	500.00	-91.84
308 SPECIAL OCCASIONS GIFTS	0.00	300.00	-300.00
309 SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY	0.00	200.00	-200.00
310 PROGRAMING	175.99	1,300.00	-1,124.01
311 MISC.	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 300 Nurture	1,651.39	4,850.00	-3,198.61
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
403PT MISC	250.00		

	Jan - Dec 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Total 400 Witness	250.00	1,400.00	-1,150.00
500 Stewards			
501 REPAIR AND EQUIPMENT	849.40	4,000.00	-3,150.60
501PT	39,536.57		
502 CLEANING SUPPLIES	99.26	700.00	-600.74
503 INSURANCE	4,864.75	10,100.00	-5,235.25
504 PROPERTY TAXES	1,315.65	2,600.00	-1,284.35
505 FUEL OIL	3,800.00	11,400.00	-7,600.00
506 ELECTRICITY	1,460.79	3,200.00	-1,739.21
507 TELEPHONE	954.96	3,400.00	-2,445.04
508 WATER AND GARBAGE	495.64	2,000.00	-1,504.36
509 OFFERING ENVELOPES	328.00	200.00	128.00
510 MEMORIAL FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00
511 MISC.	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 500 Stewards	53,705.02	37,700.00	16,005.02
600 Deacon Bd			
601 COMMUNION SUPPLIES	72.21	250.00	-177.79
602 DEACON FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00
602pt	50.00		
603 MISC.	59.95	100.00	-40.05
Total 600 Deacon Bd	182.16	350.00	-167.84
Uncategorized Expense	5,397.47		
Total Expense	96,791.26	149,920.00	-53,128.74
Net Income	-96,791.26	-149,920.00	53,128.74

SCALP LEVEL COVENANT BRETHREN CHURCH
CHURCH BOARD

May 19, 2025

The Church Board met at 8:00 p.m. on May 19, 2025. The following members were present: Zach Denk, Norma Creager, Mary Lou Berkebile, Dave Oatman, Joe Denk, Scott Denk, Lionel Berkebile, Denny Hoffman and Pastor Mark.

Absent: Audrey Coleman, Amy O'Hara

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

Minutes from the April 28, 2025 meeting were approved as printed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Received the April Summary Report by Month and the 2025 Budget Report to date.

NURTURE COMMISSION: Norma Creager

1. The June Kindness Challenge is "Talking to Strangers".
2. Worked on completing the Youth Advisor Job Description.
3. Finalized the Gifts Discernment Survey which will be mailed out to our church family in the next month or so.
4. Will be donating \$100 to New Day Summer Camp in honor/memory of fathers for Father's Day.
5. Finalized plans for the Graduate Luncheon to be held on June 1st.
6. Working with Pastor Mark to plan a Family Movie Night at the end of June. More details to follow.
7. **THANK YOUS:** Ashley Murchie and Shelley Metcalfe for planning the Mother's Day presentation; Rustic Blend Café for donating cookies for Mother's Day; Adele Madera for picking up the carnations from Birthright; Quinn O'Hara, Anne Murchie, Anthony & Marcello Harris, Jacob Chippie, Carl & Emmet Murchie for the presentation on Mother's Day and for handing out cookies and carnations following worship.

WITNESS COMMISSION: Dave Oatman

1. Have not yet received a response from the Red Cross regarding hosting a blood drive.
2. Precious Life Baby Bottle project running through Father's Day.
3. Labels with the church QR code have been printed and are ready to be placed on items donated in the community.
4. Discussed Bring A Friend Sunday – need to find a date, possibly the Sunday after VBS.
5. Called Tollgate to order the tents, tables, and chairs for Praise in the Park. Want to follow up to confirm the order and get a quote.

STEWARDS COMMISSION: Joe Denk

1. Denny Hoffman finished the frame around the mural which completes the Fellowship Hall project.
2. Denny Hoffman mulched around the new tree and sprayed it for worms. The tree is doing well.
3. A work night will be held on Monday, July 21st at 6:00 p.m.
4. Zach Denk will draft a letter to Windber Woods requesting that they move their sewer line that runs down the Pine Street side of the church so that the church could move forward in having a sidewalk constructed.

DEACON REPORT: Denny Hoffman

1. Happy to welcome four into our church family through baptism. The Deacons helped Pastor Mark with the preparations.
2. Will have a diaper shower in June for Kevin & Lori Kiser on the birth of their son, Ryder.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pastor Mark

1. A joy to receive members through baptism yesterday. Thank you to Denny Hoffman, Chuck Madera and Norma Creager for their help with the service.
2. Men's Group will do a service project followed by a campfire on May 30th.
3. Met with the Womens' Fellowship who decided to close the checking account and no longer have formal meetings. The ladies were encouraged to continue to meet informally.
4. Several youth attended the Waymakers Conference. Finished up with youth group last evening until fall. Liam Mihalko has enjoyed being a part of the group. Pastor Mark will talk with him about how he might be involved in the fall.

April Statistics:	34	Visits (home, or hospital etc.)
	2	Communion
	3	Prayer Meeting
	7	Bible Studies (taught or attended)
	4	Taught Sunday School
	4	Church meetings/event
	1	CBC Region Three Board Meeting
	3	Youth Group Meetings/Event
	1	Ministerium
	4	FCA
	4	Meeting with Liam Mihalko
	1	Love Feast
	1	Cross Walk

Numerous calls, text messages and emails

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

Viewed a RightNowMedia video "Habitudes – The Waldorf Principal" with a short discussion to follow.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The Executive Committee voiced concern about the volume of "We Bring Worship" led by Jim Hale. Pastor Mark will talk with him about turning down the volume as well as finding another time to practice other than during the Sunday School hour when it was a disruption to the classes being held.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made, seconded and carried to make a donation to Precious Life from the general budget.

JUNE MEETING will be held on Monday, June 16, 2025.

Closing prayer by Denny.

Meeting Adjourned.

Submitted by: Deanna Hoffman, Church Clerk