

TEMPORARY ADDRESS CHANGE:

While Cheri Mullins is recovering from her hip surgery, friends may send her mail at: The Waters of Wakarusa, 300 N Washington St, Wakarusa, IN 46573

New Vision Statement of the Brethren Church:

“The Brethren Church is led by the Word and Spirit as a family of churches creating innovative, relational spaces for every tribe, language, people, and nation to encounter God’s redemptive Kingdom.”

We will be hosting another BINGO night this fall! We have begun collecting prizes to give away on a table in the fellowship hall. Prizes should be in the \$5-10 range, and could include toys, bags of candy, snack foods, and fast food gift cards. For more information, see the August newsletter.

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STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Needed to make Budget each month: \$8,430
Given so far in August (as of 8/13): \$6,270
Budget giving needed (Jan-July): \$59,010
Actual Budget giving (Jan-July): \$51,126
(\$7,884 under budget for the year)



August 20th, 2023

**Today's Message:
Good Shepherd
Ezekiel 34 & John 10**

**9am– Sunday School, 10am– Fellowship
10:15am– Morning Worship**

Pastor Jeff Estep

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email– pastorjeffestep@bnin.net

Find us online at www.newparisfirst.com!

Calendar:

Sunday, August 20th– Youth Community Event, 1-4pm– South Park in Nappanee. We will leave the church at 12:30

Sunday, August 27th– Youth Group, 6-8pm

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Monday, August 21st– Nate Estep and Cheri Mullins

Thursday, August 24th– Pam Hunsberger & Mara VanDiepenbos

Sunday, August 27th– Sheila Mullins

Wednesday, August 30th– Mick Stump

Upcoming Anniversaries!!

Wednesday, August 23rd– Steve & Dawn Yoder

Friday, September 1st– Tim & Sheila Mullins

Prayer Concerns:

- Bonnie R.– praise God for Monday night prayer group going well!
- Grace– nephew Bill is now home safely
- Jamie– start of school went well, be in prayer for students and staff
- Eli started football, Ethan in swing of marching band!

**August 20th, 2023–
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements–

Entering With Praise– led by Chad McKeown

Scripture & Prayer– *John 3:19-21*

“This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness more than light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and refuses to come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done in the sight of God.”

Hymn– #465– In His Time

Special Music– Chad McKeown

Message– *Good Shepherd*

Pastor Jeff Estep

Closing Hymn- #289- There Shall Be Showers of
Blessing

Closing Prayer

***If you have an offering to give this morning, please place it in the box at the back of the sanctuary.
Leading Worship Today–***

Sermon Notes:

The Good Shepherd _____ for you because you are _____.

The Good Shepherd _____ you because you are _____ to Him.

The Good Shepherd _____ you secure because He is _____.

The Good Shepherd _____ you up because you are _____.

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– Ezekiel 34:1-19 **Monday–** Ezekiel 34:20-31

Tuesday– Isaiah 1:18-26 **Wednesday–** John 10:1-18

Thursday– John 10:22-30 **Friday–** Matthew 23:1-15

Saturday– Isaiah 53

Upcoming Sermons:

August 27th– *The Way of Life and Death–* Jeremiah 21– *For those that choose to surrender to the Babylonians, God promises life and blessing in exile. For those that stand their ground in Jerusalem...not so much.*

September 3rd– *A Tale of Two Provinces–* Jeremiah 39-42– *Back in Jerusalem, everything is falling apart. Yet those in exile in Babylon are in relative peace. We cannot control the decisions of others. We must choose to obey God and hope that our influence can point them the way to Jesus.*

September 10th– *Dry Bones–* Ezekiel 37– *Ezekiel has a vision that has captivated the imagination and inspired songs. Certainly bones putting on flesh and walking is an incredible thing to see. But what message was God giving His people through such a vivid vision? And what does it mean for us today?*

Connect With Your Pastor

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