

The 136th General Conference of the Brethren Church will be held in Lancaster, PA, July 15th-18th. If you are interested in representing our church as a delegate, talk to Bonnie Reagan. Costs related to Conference are partially subsidized for delegates by our church budget.

EVERYBODY LOVES BAKED POTATOES! On February 25th after morning worship, the youth ministry will be hosting a Baked Potato Bar Fundraiser to benefit our youth group. Stay after worship, load up your potato, and chow down with friends and family! All freewill donations will help our youth ministry raise money for summer ministry. Invite family, friends, and neighbors to join us for church and for potatoes!

Mark Your Calendars for Easter!

Threefold Communion Service– Sunday, March 24th, 9am

Easter Sunday:

8:45am– Sunrise Service

9:30am– Easter Breakfast

10:15am– Morning Worship

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Needed to make Budget each month in 2024: \$8,612

Given in February (as of 2/4): \$1,162

2024 Budget giving needed (Jan): \$8,612

2024 Actual Budget giving (Jan): \$12,939

(\$4,327 over budget for the year)



February 11, 2024

**Today's Message:
Holiness and Sincerity
Pastor Jeff Estep**

9am– Sunday School

10am– Fellowship

10:15am– Morning Worship

Pastor Jeff Estep

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Find us online at www.newparisfirst.com!

Calendar:

Sunday, February 11th– Youth Community Event @ Nappanee, 2-4pm. We will leave here at 1:30pm. Bring Super Bowl snacks!

Tuesday, February 13th– Butterfly Mornings, 9:30am, Helping Hands, 1pm

Sunday, February 18th– Youth Group, 6-8pm

Sunday, February 25th– Youth Baked Potato Fundraiser after church

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Mon., Feb. 12th– Gregg Miller Mon., Feb. 19th– Ivy VanDiepenbos

Wed., Feb. 21st– John Wessler Wed., Feb. 28th– Sonia Miller

Prayer Concerns:

- John W.– dad is doing better after surgery, please keep praying
- Ruby T. may get to go home this week!
- Grace– Carolyn Hendrix back in hospital, Hospice might be called
- Jimmy G.– no heart attack, but having tests this week in hospital
- Ruby B.– sister-in-law Kathleen's father passed away
- Brenda W.– Amy a bit better, pray for comfort and peace

The First Brethren family offers its condolences to the McKeown family after our sister April's passing. May God give comfort to Chad, Ethan, and Eli, and April's family. Her joy, personality, and passion for Jesus will be missed. We are praying for you all.

**February 11th, 2024–
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements–

Entering with Praise– The Worship Team

Scripture & Prayer– *Jeremiah 9:23-24*

This is what the LORD says: “Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches, but let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD, who exercises kindness, justice, and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight,” declares the LORD.

Hymn- #333– His Way With Thee

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Closing Hymn- #428– I Need Thee Every Hour

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– Megan Long

Sermon Notes:

There were those in the Corinthian church that questioned Paul’s authority and _____

When the messenger is discredited, so is the _____

Paul’s defense:

- We aren’t using _____ tricks
- We aren’t flippant about our _____
- We _____ in Christ



For us to hit the target, our motivations, our speech, and our conduct must reveal genuine commitment to Jesus Christ, and the message that brought us salvation.

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– 2 Corinthians 1:12-22 **Monday–** 2 Corinthians 11:1-6
Tuesday– James 1:16-18 **Wednesday–** 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1
Thursday– Matthew 7:15-23 **Friday–** 2 Peter 2:1-12
Saturday– Proverbs 16:1-5

Upcoming Sermons:

2/18– The Purpose of Church Discipline– 2 Corinthians 1:23-2:11 Church discipline sometimes gets a bad rap, and sometimes it’s not done well. But what is the goal of putting church members under “discipline”?

2/25– Ooh, That Smell!– 2 Corinthians 2:12-17 Paul says we are the “aroma of Christ”. What does that mean?

3/3– The Letter and the Spirit– 2 Corinthians 3:1-6– Where does our “competence” and ability to minister come from?

