

**West York Church of the Brethren
5101 Darlington Road
York, PA 17408**

Richard Godfrey, Pastor

The West Yorker



August 2025

"The mission of the West York Church of the Brethren is to love, nurture and build the community of Jesus Christ."



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Sunday Worship: Sunday School 9:00 am
Worship Service 10:15 am

2025 *The West Yorker*



Yard Sale, Soup & Bake Sale

Friday, August 1st 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Saturday, August 2nd 8:00 am to 1:00 pm

We will also be selling Bacon, egg & cheese sandwiches (8 to 10 am), homemade Hamburg BBQ, Hot Dogs and French Fries .

Donations of soup & baked goods are needed. If you can donate either soup or baked goods, **please sign up on the sheet hanging at the main entrance or call Barb in the church office.**

Help is needed prior to the day of the yard sale to get items ready to sell. Help is needed the day of the yard sale. **Please sign up for times you can help on the sheet hanging at the main entrance.**

Proceeds to benefit Community Outreach and Missions.



Back to School Breakfast

Blessing of the Backpacks



More information on page 3.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Yard Sale - August 1 & 2
 Leadership Team Meeting - August 5
 Back to School Breakfast - August 10
 Blessing of the Backpacks - August 10
 Youth Meeting - August 10
 CEC Board Meeting - August 12
 Newsletter Deadline - August 18
 Day of Prayer for Children & Youth - August 20
 Summer Splash - August 23
 CEC Open House - August 23
 Youth Event (Lazer Dome) - August 31

DENOMINATIONAL, DISTRICT & COMMUNITY EVENTS
 (For more info on denominational events, go to www.brethren.org)



Friends of Cross Keys Village -
The Brethren Home Community

**CHICKEN BARBECUE
and Car Show!**

Saturday, August 9th

**10:30 am until sold out
Nicarry Meetinghouse Parking Lot**

Car Show Hours

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

A great lineup of classic
and vintage cars!



Chicken BBQ
dinner will be sold
for \$13.



The dinner includes 1/2 chicken,
baked potato, applesauce and roll.

Drop by and stroll through the rows
of beautifully appointed classic and
antique cars.



Operation Christmas Child

Because of Back-to-School sales, now
is a good time to start buying items to fill
shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child for
November.

A list of gift suggestions will be available on the
table in the gathering area.



**9th Annual Mel Markey
Memorial Golf Benefit**

Thursday, August 14, 2025

HERITAGE HILLS RESORT - York, PA

Registration Deadline - August 4, 2025

Copies of the registration and sponsorship
form are hanging on the hallway bulletin
board or go to www.casds.org to register
online.

All three centers need paper goods - paper
towels, Kleenex, wipes, toilet paper, paper
plates, copying paper and construction
paper. When these items are donated it
saves us money because we don't have to
buy them.

**An updated wish list is hanging on the
hallway bulletin board.**

*Thank you for your continued support for
CAS.*



**DISASTER RELIEF AUCTION
September 26 & 27, 2025**

Lebanon Valley Expo
80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon PA

**DONATIONS OF AUCTION
ITEMS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING
AUCTIONS:**

Children's Auction, Coin Auction, Heifer Auction
Main Hall Auction, Pole Barn Auction, Quilt Auction
Silent Auction, Theme Basket Auction

Go to www.brethrenauction.org
for more information.



GROCERY CART MINISTRY

Each month we are collecting certain items for our Food Pantry. For the month of **August** we are collecting **BAKED BEANS AND JELLY**. You can place your donation in the shopping cart that is in the hallway. **THE ITEMS WE ARE REQUESTING ARE THE ONLY ITEMS WE NEED THIS MONTH.** Thanks for your help!



Back to School Breakfast Sunday, August 10th 9:00 am

Sign up sheets are hanging at the main entrance for food donations and for those planning to attend the breakfast.

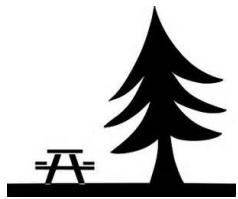
Blessing of the Backpacks
Sunday, August 10th
during the worship service



August Special Offering Our special offering for August is "Stewards"

(Property and Grounds)
This offering is deposited to the
Equipment Replacement Fund.

Please use the brown envelopes on the
table in the gathering area.



**SAVE THE DATE
CHURCH PICNIC
SEPTEMBER 28, 2025
AT THE CHURCH
RIGHT AFTER THE
WORSHIP SERVICE**

MORE INFORMATION TO COME.

YOUTH MEETING Sunday, August 10th 11:30 am to 1pm



Youth in middle or high school.
We will read and talk about scripture.



**YOUTH EVENT
Lazer Dome
Sunday, August 31st
Time to be determined
Youth in middle or high school.**



SATURDAY, AUGUST 23RD 11 AM TO 2 PM

**BOUNCE HOUSE & WATER SLIDE!
TODDLER POOL, GAMES, SPIN ART
NASHVILLE FIRE TRUCK
HOT DOGS, FRENCH FRIES
WALKING TACOS
WATERMELON & COOKIES
SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVEAWAY**

Sign up sheets are hanging at the main entrance to donate cookies and watermelon and for volunteers to set up, clean up and help during the splash.

September Newsletter

the deadline for articles for the
September Newsletter is

August 18, 2025

Thank you.

Special MUSIC

If you would like to offer special music during the worship service this summer, or if you know of someone outside the church, please contact Beth Marshall.

Interested in giving to West York Church Electronically? Scan the QR Code.



QR CODE

Scan the QR code to visit our online giving page.

Any questions, contact Jake Hershey.

CHILDREN'S STORY

If anyone feels led to share a Children's Story during the Worship service please let Pastor Godfrey or Barb in the office know.



**MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
WILL NOT BE HELD DURING
AUGUST!
See you in September!**



INVITATION TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

The "Seeking Amazing Grace" Adult Sunday School class continues to grow, numerically, but even more importantly, spiritually. We have studied - in depth - the prophetic books of Revelation, Daniel and Isaiah, as well as the exciting Gospel of John. We have begun a study of **Paul's letters to the New Testament churches, including Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, and Colossians.** These four books (Epistles) contain some of Paul's most important explanations of Jesus' teaching on how to live the Christian life. They are just as relevant for us today as they were 2000 years ago when Paul wrote them.

You do not have to be an advanced Bible scholar to be a part of this class - only someone interested in learning more about God's Word - the Bible - and how it applies to our modern-day culture.. Please come and check us out.

Bible study is one of the most important aspects of a growing, maturing faith, and is ever-increasingly important in these chaotic times in which we live. And the informal, friendly atmosphere of the Sunday School class is a great place to see God's Word come alive in your own life and walk of faith. Come join us.

We also continue to look at the Wired Word - a study of the current top news stories of the week and how Scripture applies to those stories and how we, as Christians, need to respond to the events in the news each day. Hope to see you in class.

Care and Share Women's Bible Study meets virtually on Mondays at 7 pm, led by Judith Wallace. They are now studying "*The Parables of Jesus.*"

You are invited to join one or more of these groups for Bible Study!!



"Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation."
Habakkuk 3:18

*"I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart - Where?
Down in my heart - Where? Down in my heart!
I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart,
Down in my heart to stay!"*

This energetic call-and-response song (where? - where?) used to be well-known to most Sunday School students and is still well remembered by most older folks. Kids especially seemed to like the third verse (well, at least I did!) which went like this: *"If the devil doesn't like it, he can sit on a tack! Ouch!"* This song's theme is thoroughly Biblical: the pairing of joy with salvation.

The last phrase of the first verse is especially important: Joy is *"Down in my heart to stay."* Nowhere is this better illustrated than in Paul's letter to the Philippians, written while he was in jail. In his letter, Paul references joy no fewer than a dozen times.

It's important to note, however, that we can lose our joy temporarily - due to sin. After he sinned, King David prayed that God would 'restore to him the joy of his salvation.' (Psalm 51:12)

The waters of joy from the never-ending well of salvation are ours to draw from at every moment (Isaiah 12:3).

Pastor Godfrey

PASTOR GODFREY'S AUGUST SERMONS

August 3rd	-	<i>Wealth and Wisdom</i>	-	Luke 12:13-21
August 10th	-	Pastor Bob Krouse preaching		
August 17th	-	<i>Are You Prepared?</i>	-	Luke 12:35-48
August 24th	-	<i>Breaking the Rules</i>	-	Luke 13:10-17
August 31st	-	<i>The Path to Greatness</i>	-	Luke 14:1-14



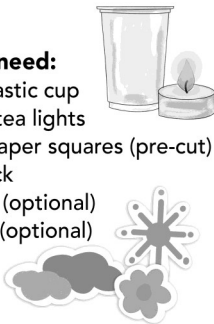
SHINE FOR Jesus



This easy and colorful craft helps kids remember that Jesus is their light—no matter where they go!

What you need:

- Clear plastic cup
- Battery tea lights
- Tissue paper squares (pre-cut)
- Glue stick
- Markers (optional)
- Stickers (optional)



What you do:

1. Use the glue stick to press colorful tissue paper squares around the outside of the cup.
2. Add a simple phrase like "Jesus is my Light" or use fun stickers to decorate.
3. Turn on the tea light and place it inside the cup.
4. Turn off the lights and let your lantern glow!

The Lord is my light
and my salvation—
whom shall I fear?

— Psalm 27:1, NIV



WHO AM I?

Did you know that some Old Testament books are named after prophets? Use the clues to figure out each prophet's name and write it on the lines. Then unscramble, use the circled letters to complete the sentence at the bottom.

1. I was called to preach to Nineveh, but I ran from God instead. My book is number 32 in the Bible.
I am _____.
2. I spoke God's message when the temple was being built. My book is number 37.
I am _____.
3. Israel's unfaithfulness to God is compared to my unfaithful wife. My book is number 28.
I am _____.
4. My book predicts punishment for wickedness and promises of comfort. It is book 23.
I am _____.
5. I had dreams and visions. My book is number 27.
I am _____.
6. I was often in danger because of my prophecies. I angered officials. My book is number 24.
I am _____.
7. I was a shepherd from Judah who called people to turn to God and leave their selfish lives. My book is number 30.
I am _____.
8. My book contains descriptions of strange visions. My book is number 26.
I am _____.

Prophets are _____.

Answers: Jonah; Haggai; Hosea; Isaiah; Daniel; Jeremiah; Amos; Ezekiel; Messengers.

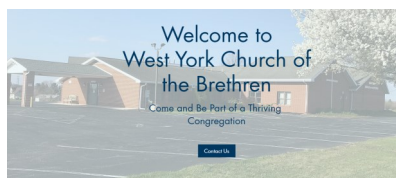




Grace Delivered

Our monthly coin collection
benefits the
Nashville Fire Company
with cases of water and

Gatorade. We are asking you to consider bringing your loose pocket change and extra coins to drop into our offering cans on the first Sunday of each month. If offerings will permit, we will add additional fire companies as we go along.



CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!!!!
WWW.WESTYORKCOB.ORG

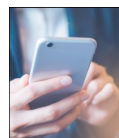


To sponsor the bulletin, newsletter and flowers for on the altar in 2025.

Sign-up sheets are hanging on the Informational Bulletin Board in the hallway by the coat rack.



CHILDREN'S CHURCH
meets during the
worship service each week.



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**THE NURSERY IS AVAILABLE FOR
CHILDREN FROM NEWBORN THROUGH
3 YEARS OLD. IT IS LOCATED IN THE
ROOM OFF OF THE GATHERING AREA.**

The Child Education Center

**PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE AND
ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

**Saturday, August 23, 2025
2 pm to 3 pm**

Please pray for our enrollment!



Serving our Congregation in August

Acolytes

- 3 Alex Bridges
- 10 Isabelle McMonigle
- 17 Danika Grove
- 24 Caleb Grove
- 31 Eva Hake



Greeters

- 3 Joyce Whitcraft
- 10 Linda Fulmele
- 17 Chuck Wallace
- 24 Kathy Hinkle
- 31 Cheryl Fahringer



Power Point Operator

- 3 Larry Marshall
- 10 Bill Zumbrum
- 17 Dave Highlands
- 24 Nathan Keefer
- 31 Larry Marshall



Sound Board Operator

- 3 Merl Keefer
- 10 Gary Hake
- 17 Larry Marshall
- 24 Ed Jacobs
- 31 Merl Keefer



Nursery Caregivers

- 3 Genie Grove
- 10 Donna Aushman
- 17 Nicole Grove
- 24 Kayla Eshelman
- 31 Genie Grove



Hospitality Table

- 3 Pennie Jacobs
- 10 Breakfast
- 17 Linda Zumbrum
- 24 Kayla Eshelman
- 31 OPEN



August

Bill & Linda Zumbrum
 Michael Parente
 Isabelle McMonigle
 Madison McDowell
 Ralph Miller
 Ted Heiner
 Willie & Connie Emory
 Rita Ward
 Alana Grove
 Chuck & Judith Wallace
 Shawna Hake
 Gary Hake III
 Karissa Marshall
 Benjamin Grove
 Matt & Courtney Hershey
 Jonathan Greiner
 Susan Parente
 Dave & Alecia Highlands
 Dave Highlands
 Macey McDowell
 Ruby Perry
 Tim & Barb Coonan
 Mike McMonigle
 Bernard & Nancy Anthony



The Wellspan Spiritual Care and Education Department wants to let our church know when a member is in the hospital. **PLEASE identify our church at registration and admittance into the hospital.** According to HIPAA regulations, if you provide this information to the hospital, our church may be notified of the admission.



Thank you WYCOB for your desire to see His kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven.

Matt Hershey



DAY OF PRAYER FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Wednesday, August 20th is our monthly Day of Prayer for our Children and Youth. Please find time during this day to pray for our Church's Ministry to Children and Youth.

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request you would like to share with the church, please fill out a prayer card (found in the gathering area) and give it to the pastor. You may also call Barb in the church office.

West York COB Prayer Line **What Is It?**

It is an avenue for ALL of us to use! It is not for sharing prayer concerns, but for calling to hear what prayer concerns have been shared. It is a recorded message that Barb, our church secretary, updates a couple times a week to keep the congregation informed of those who need prayer. The number to call is **717-792-9260 (Option "5")**.

If you have a prayer concern to be added to the prayer line, please call the church office.

God Bless You for Praying!



The Service and Outreach Chairperson, along with our Pastor, administer and oversee a special Outreach Ministry Fund. This "Outreach Fund" will be used to assist people with uncovered or unexpected financial needs on a case by case basis. Payments to assist persons will be made against bona fide invoices only and no cash will ever be distributed to individuals.

If you would like to contribute to this fund, please designate on your envelope "Outreach Fund".

Thank you for considering to participate in this ministry with your generous offering.

For pastoral emergencies:
Please contact Pastor Godfrey or Cindy Heist.



SENIOR DAY

Wednesday, September 3, 2025 9:30 am

Michael Peluso Glass Art
Mr. Peluso brings 27 years of glass experience and education. Engage in an interactive demonstration. Ask questions and understand the how and why of glass blowing. From the basic materials to how, why, and where glass blowing started. All while enjoying a live demonstration.

Cost: \$20.00/per person

Please RSVP by calling (717) 642-8256 or emailing campeder@campeder.org.

Announcements

We are running the announcements on a power point prior to the worship service and after. If you have an announcement you would like to add to the power point, please contact the church office no later than Thursday each week.

If you have an announcement you would like to make in church during the worship service, please talk to Pastor Godfrey prior to the service.



CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN NATIONAL OLDER ADULT CONFERENCE 2025

September 1-5, 2025

Lake Junaluska, North Carolina

NOAC is a Spirit-filled gathering of adults who love learning and discerning together, exploring God's call for our lives and living out that call by sharing our energy, insight, legacy, and faith with our families, communities, and the world.

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Register at www.brethren.org/noac

Workshops, Field Trips, Service Opportunities
Outdoor Ministries Campfire
Seminary, College, University Reunions
Early Morning Chair Yoga
Garden Tours, Lake Boat Rides
Congregational Singing, Talent Show



DISTRICT

The SO PA District Board meets on a regular basis throughout the year, and visitors are welcome to attend these meetings and bring their joys and concerns of their home congregations. If you would like to see firsthand how the Board conducts the business of the District, plan to attend the meetings listed below, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

October 11 - Free Spring COB