

Montezuma Today



May 2023

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

2 Cor. 5:17

Baptism is an important ordinance in the Church of the Brethren. It is a response to the salvation made available through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Immersion in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit is a symbol of cleansing and new life. Baptism is not an end, but a beginning. It is a public witness of one's covenant relationship with God and the beginning of one's membership in the church.

We are blessed that two of our young people at Montezuma have stated their desire to be baptized. Baptism and membership preparation classes are being planned for the early part of the summer, with the goal of baptizing our new members in the waters of the North River around the middle of the summer. If you are interested in baptism and would like to be part of this class, please let me know as soon as possible.

In Christ's service,
Terri

VBS & Brethren Woods

Montezuma plans to hold Vacation Bible School July 19-22 at the church, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. each night. A meal is included at 5:30 for the children, their parents, and all the volunteers. The theme is Changemaker's Lab, where children learn that everyone can make a difference in the world! The Bible stories in this curriculum explore examples of people who experienced and brought about change in the world around them. These people provide a model for asking hard questions, working together to solve problems, reaching across differences, caring for all people, and imagining a new world.

In the meantime, please start looking around in your basements, garages, and storage rooms for items that will be useful in creating our lab such as:

Lab coats	Goggles
Chemistry sets	Cylindrical vases
Beakers	Test tubes
Periodic tables	Plastic tubing
PVC pipes	Rubber insects
Abacus	Microscopes
Science fair poster boards	
Gears & cogs	Pool noodles
Styrofoam balls	20" air filters
Colorful duct tape	Lava lamps
Colored card stock	Abacus

Anything else that looks like it belongs in a laboratory!

May Outreach Offering: Brethren Disaster Ministries

Brethren Disaster Ministries, a part of the General Board Church of the Brethren program, restarts hope for the most vulnerable disaster-stricken communities by engaging volunteers to repair and rebuild damaged homes.

CBM Sunday, May 7

Montezuma's spring congregational business meeting is on Sunday, May 7th at 11:40am following Sunday School. The meeting will feature commission reports and approval of Nurture commission appointments.

Youth Event

The next youth event will be on Saturday, May 13th from 1 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. The youth will be going to play mini golf in Bridgewater followed by ice cream at Smiley's. The youth will leave the church at 1 p.m. The youth group will pay for everyone to play mini golf, but youth should bring money to buy their own ice cream. Please RSVP to Ethan or Morgan by Thursday, May 11th.

Graduate Recognition

High school, college and trade school graduates will be recognized during our worship service on Sunday, June 4th. We are asking all our graduates to submit a short bio and a picture to the church office by Tuesday, May 30th.

Lunch Bunch

After an extended pause, the Montezuma Lunch Bunch has resumed monthly luncheons. All ages are welcome to participate! The next lunch will be on Tuesday, May 16 at 12 noon at Montezuma Hall, 4736 Ottobine Road. This will be a carry-in lunch – please bring food to share and come and enjoy good fellowship.

2023 Disaster Auction and Sale

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

FRIDAY, MAY 19

7:30 a.m. – Golf tournament registration at Heritage Oaks

Noon – Fast food booth opens; closes at 7 p.m.

1 p.m. – Arts and crafts, baked goods, plants for sale, outside tent sale and quilt display open

1-3:30 p.m. – Indoor silent auction I

4-6:30 p.m. – Pork loin dinner served

5-7 p.m. – Indoor silent auction II

5 p.m. – Food concessions open at the barn

6:15 p.m. – Devotions

6:30 p.m. – The livestock auction begins at the barn, and the main auction begins at the exhibit hall

SATURDAY, MAY 20

7-10 a.m. – Pancake breakfast served

8 a.m. – Doughnuts, arts and crafts, baked goods and plants for sale

8:30 until ? – Outside tent sale

8:45 a.m. – Worship service

9 a.m. – Main auction begins for quilts, handmade furniture and art work

10 a.m.- p.m. – Children's activities

10 a.m.-3 p.m. – Fast food booth open

10:30 a.m. – Coin Auction in the arts and crafts section of the main exhibit hall

11 a.m. – The auction of large items displayed outside will be held inside the exhibit hall

11 a.m.-until? – Plate lunch featuring barbecue chicken or pork, cole slaw, potato chips and beverage. Also, barbecue chicken will be sold by the halves.

1 p.m. – Theme basket auction

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May Birthdays:

2	Olivia Shifflett	14	Kenley Rhodes
3	Laurie Carpenter		Jon Shickel
	Austin McNett	15	Terri Luzynski
4	Sheryl Northrop	20	Charlann Johns
6	Clay Knott		Erin Brooks
7	Emily Coaker		Charles Miller
	Kendal Payne		Vicki Richard
8	Betty Chandler	21	Joyce Jackameit
10	Wesley Kuykendall	22	LeAnne Young
	Presley Trent	23	Bobby Shank
11	Mason Knott		Dena Symons
	Bonnie Miller	24	Cathy Roadcap
	Walter Rhodes		Corey Wilhelm
12	Randy Glick	25	Aaron Barnhart
	Chris Moran		Ashley Knott
	Brielle Embres	27	Rachel Craun
13	Lindsey Harper	29	Mike Diehl
	Roy Keller		Rhonda Mandeville
	Erika Kinkead	30	Troy Payne
	Marshall Kiser		
	Shannon Airey		

May Anniversaries:

1	Steve & Charlann Johns
2	Gene & Wanda Wampler
4	Brad & Huong Showalter
6	Sam & Mary Jane Cox
10	Mike & Sharon Embres
15	Greg & Rosemary Taylor
16	Eric & Anna Shank
17	Ethan & Sallie Hunter
18	Chad & Jessica Shipe
19	Drew & Lindsey Richard
	Logan & Jessica Strawderman
20	Jorge Fuentes & Laurie Serrell
21	Mike & Laura Healy
24	Craig & Jill Sease
28	Isaac Shank & Jennifer Kimble

Our Stewardship for April 2023

Attendance			
	Worship	Sunday School	Regular Offering
Apr 2	142	44	\$8,855.50
Apr 9	166	46	\$3,286.00
Apr 16	114	44	\$4,363.00
Apr 23	137	57	\$3,370.00
Apr 30	101	37	\$3,875.00
Apr. average per Sun.	132	46	\$4,749.90
Last 12 mos. average per Sun.	115	45	\$5,499.51

Special Giving for April 2023

Easter Flowers	\$9	Window Fund in Honor of Betty Click	\$50
Give a Girl a Chance	\$970	Window Fund in Memory of Rebecca Click	\$100
In Memory of Danny Hollen	\$90	Window Fund in Memory of Cathleen Coffman	\$150
In Memory of Cathleen Coffman	\$25	Window Fund in Memory of Frances Heishman	\$100
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$25	Window Fund in Memory of Danny Hollen	\$90
Playground Improvements	\$150	Window Fund	\$7,770
Spring Festival	\$9,724	Youth Breakfast	\$605