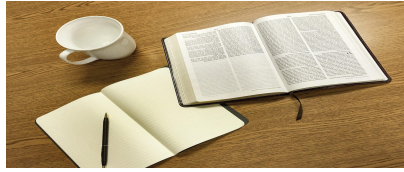




Beavercreek Church of the Brethren

Listening to God, we celebrate, include and serve all...



Pastor's Desk for November 2025



Mini Calendar

Sundays

10:15 am Worship in person
and via Zoom

Sunday November 2nd

Daylight Savings Time
Don't forget to turn your
clocks back!

Tuesday November 4th

Election Day! Go Vote!

Tuesday November 4th

7 pm Deacons
via Zoom

Sunday November 16th

Mug Dump and Pledge
Cards during worship

Sunday November 16th

Thanksgiving Luncheon

Tuesday November 18th

7 pm Board Meeting
Via Zoom

Tuesday November 25th

Newsletter Deadline

Thursday November 27th

Thanksgiving

Saturday November 29th

Decorate for Advent 10 am

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ,

What does it mean to be Brethren? We will explore aspects of this question over the coming months. This month we look at the characteristics of simplicity. In chapter 5 in the book *A Brethren Witness for the 21st Century*, this is addressed by author Brian H. Moore. He writes, "simplicity in the age of complexity and inequality - the simple life was not necessarily a conscious part of our beginnings, yet the early Brethren exhibited simplicity of life based on the example of Jesus Christ."

So how does that work now for us? How do you lead a simple life? I argue that there are times in all of our lives in which it is easier to live simply than at other times. Stress, anxiety, and troubles of the world seep into our living. It makes living simply difficult, but not impossible. In our faithfulness, in our *Brethrenness*, a simple life still calls us back when we drift far away. Simplicity of life and spirit has been exhibited in a number of ways; it accounts for the Brethren emphasis of nonconformity, based on Romans 12:2, "Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world . . ." (pg.46) Simplicity is a discipline. That shiny new Apple phone may entice you, but the trusty phone you have that continues to work hard is just fine. Something to think about.

What are your thoughts? How does your faith and Brethren practice take shape? Let's keep the conversation going, as we continue the work of Jesus peacefully, simply, and together.

Blessings,
Pastor Sandy

Scriptures and messages

11/2 - Daniel 7:1-3,15-18 / Luke 6:20-31 / *A Glorious Inheritance*

11/9 - Haggai 2:6-9 / 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5,13-17 / *God's Steadfast Presence*

11/16 - Isaiah 65:17-19 / Luke 21:5-19 / *Joy that Overcomes All*

11/23 - Jeremiah 23:1-6 / Colossians 1:11-20 / *Hope in All Things*
First Sunday in Advent

11/30 - Isaiah 2:3-5 / Matthew 24:36-44 / *And the Waiting Begins*

★ HAPPY ★ BIRTHDAY!

Mike Nies	11/04
Mary-Anna Welch	11/05
Paula Ali	11/08
Bev McCurdy	11/08
Stephane Welch	11/08

Gary Crim	11/21
Ginny Vance	11/23
Ed Petry	11/24
Richard Walston	11/26
Barb Morelock	11/29



November Anniversaries

<i>Ruth and Derrick Petry</i>	<i>11/18</i>
<i>Alesia Campbell and Patrick Young</i>	<i>11/26</i>



Daylight saving time ends on Sunday Nov. 2nd.

Remember to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday!

We want to see you at Church!



Remember to vote on Tuesday November 4th.
Every vote counts, especially yours!



Highlights of the October 21, 2025 church board meeting:

The 2025 budget was reviewed. Basically, the 2026 budget will remain the same, with adjustments based on expenses from the last two years.

Paid salaries were discussed.

The final budget will be voted on by the board in November and then presented to the congregation for approval, possibly the last Sunday in November or the first Sunday in December.

Who are you thankful for?

Whenever you think of someone in the church that you want to thank for something they did, please send the information to Mary-Anna (beavercreekcob1@gmail.com) so that she can include it in the newsletter.

Thanks for helping us say thanks!

- A special thank you to Chris Jenkins for all his work and dedication on our sound system.
- Thank you to the tech team for your vision and excitement.
- Thank you from the Church of the Brethren in Southern Ohio and Kentucky District for our financial gifts and our gift of Prayers. Especially thank you for helping us finance the SKOD camping and retreat ministries.
- On earth peace would like to thank us for our financial donation.



November is Stewardship Sunday.

Please be in prayer about how you are going to support the Beavercreek Church of the Brethren in 2025 through participating, praying, volunteering, leading, helping financially. Thanks for your generosity and your prayers!

UPDATE!!! Technical Team Ministry Phase 1 Completed!

With tremendous support from John Leininger and driving enthusiasm of Chris Jenkins, Phase 1 of the 6 phase plan has been completed! A new gorgeous digital sound board integrates with our internal church system and zoom to create a refreshing new audio/visual experience.

Here are some moments of the work. We cannot thank folks enough for the countless hours put in already.



Should you find that you are not receiving church emails, Zoom links, and/or the One Call, Please send an email to the church so Mary-Anna can check your information.

Happy Thanks-Chili-Day

Sunday, November 16 after worship / 11:15 a.m. (or there about) at Brethren Hall

Beavercreek Church
of the Brethren:
Peacefully, Simply,
Together!



In the Spirit of
Thanksgiving we
invite you to a
healthy and flavorful
competition.
welcome!

BRING:

1 crock pot of chili and a dessert to share

OR

2 side dishes to share

(Tea and Lemonade Provided)

Vote for your favorite chili by placing donations (cash, coin, and/or checks made out to *Beavercreek CoB*) in the bowls in front of each pot. The top three chili pots that bring in the most contributions are the winners!

All contributions from the cook-off will go to

Brethren Disaster Ministries.

If you cannot bring items, or donate, PLEASE come anyway. Be a part of this celebration! We are stronger when we serve together!

By the way – Chris Jenkins has an award winning chili!

He's laid down the challenge – who thinks they can beat his pot?

YUMMY PUMPKIN DESSERT

Crust:

1 Pkg. yellow cake mix (reserve 1 cup of cake mix)
1 tsp. baking powder
½ cup butter, softened
1 egg

Blend mixture with pastry knife until crumbly. Put into 9 x 13 greased baking dish.

Filling:

3 cups (one can) Libby's pumpkin pie mix
1 tsp. cinnamon
Dash of nutmeg
3 large eggs (or 4 medium)
2/3 cup evaporated milk

Mix filling together and pour on top of crust mixture.

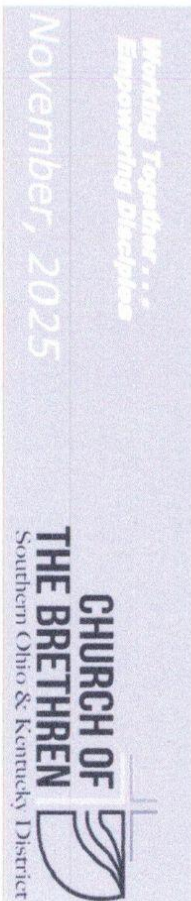
Topping:

1 cup reserved cake mix
1 tsp. cinnamon
½ cup sugar
2 Tbsp. softened butter

Cut with pastry knife or fork until crumbly and sprinkle on top of pumpkin mixture.
Bake at 350 degrees (reduce to 325 for glass baking dish) and bake for 40 to 50 minutes.
Test with knife in center. Watch carefully and do not overbake.
Serve plain or top with whipped topping.

**Come join us in the
Church sanctuary on
Saturday November 29th
at 10am as we decorate
the church for Advent!
All are welcome!**





2026 Men's Retreat

January 16-18, 2026

Theme: "One Step Beyond the Point of No Return"

Registration Deadline January 5, 2026

This retreat is a spiritual weekend for all men regardless of church affiliation. Men 16 years of age and older are invited to enjoy a weekend of fellowship, scripture teachings, worship and fun.

The guest speaker will be Pastor Mark McVey, Sr Pastor of Agape Family Worship Center in Beavercreek, OH. Pastor Mark carries a deep passion that fuels every message he preaches, fulfilling the Great Commission by reaching a lost world and proclaiming the saving power of Jesus Christ. His preaching style both challenges and inspires, stirring hearts to draw closer to God.

You are invited to attend all or part of the retreat. For your convenience, the retreat committee has created 3 different options, each with their own payment scale. Register online, or download brochure with more information, including how to register by mail on the district website or inquire in your church office.

Southern Ohio/Kentucky Disaster Ministries Updates

Fall Bazaar – New for BDM! Happy Corner Women's Fellowship has invited us to partner with them for their Fall Bazaar. It's on Sat., Nov. 8, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. There will be many vendors with a variety of wares. Chicken & noodles made by the Happy Corner Women will be for sale. There will be baked goods, and BDM will be helping with the Cookie Room. Don't miss out! Proceeds from this event are being donated to S. Ohio/KY BDM.

Appreciation Dinner – You're invited! Come to the annual BDM Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, Nov. 22 at 6:00 PM. We will thank our volunteers, recognize new volunteers, and hear how rebuilding sites and Children's Disaster Services sites are chosen. This year the dinner is hosted by Troy COB, 1431 W. Main Street. **Please RSVP by Nov. 8 to Burt and Helen Wolf at SouthernOhioOBDM@gmail.com** or call/text 937-902-3475.

Rebuilding in KY Nov. 9-15 – Join the crew to work at flood recovery in KY, as we partner with HOMES, Inc. Houses are being built in Chestnut Ridge, a higher ground property in Knott County. There are three openings on this trip. Transportation is provided and expenses are covered. To join the crew call/text Helen Wolf at 937-902-3475 or SouthernOhioOBDM@gmail.com.

Camp Sugarwood Updates

Join us at Fall Family Gathering November 14-16—Registrations are still being accepted. Email or text Carrie Drees cdrees23@gmail.com 937-564-7346 with questions. A registration form and flyers can be found on the district website or inquire in your church office.

A camp for families of all sizes.

Gather your family for a weekend of spiritual growth and fun.

Cost: \$90 Adults; \$60 Child

Cost for commuting campers:

\$75 Adults; \$45 Child

Scholarships Available

Worship at Camp Sugarwood — Everyone is invited to join in worship at Camp Sugarwood Fall Family Gathering on Sunday, November 16 at 10am at Cricket Holler Schiewetz Leadership Training Center, 6444 Frederick Pike, Dayton, OH 45414. Pastor Lee Saylor will be delivering the message on Isaiah 43:19-21 "Behold, I am doing a new thing!" No registration is needed. Come as you are!

Winter Blast is coming! —Elementary Winter Blast: January 9-10 at Cricket Holler.

Jr and Sr High Winter Blast: January 16-17 at Cricket Holler.

Sewing and Crafting Day Retreat— Winter Sewing and Crafting Day Retreat: February 5-7 at Happy Corner.

Registrations for these events as well as flyers with more information can be found on the district website or inquire in your church office.

Salem Quartet Concert

NOVEMBER 16, 2025 AT 4:00 PM

TROTWOOD CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

208 EAST MAIN STREET

TROTWOOD, OHIO

The Salem Quartet is a Southern gospel group spreading the good news of Jesus Christ through music and testimony. With harmonious vocals, uplifting songs, and heartfelt messages, they will inspire and encourage you in your faith journey.

PLEASE JOIN US. QUESTIONS CALL PAM JONES 937-854-1104 OR CHURCH AT 937-837-6604. THANKS!

For more information on what is happening in Southern Ohio as well as more details on these events contact your church office, email the Southern Ohio/Kentucky District (sodcob@brethren.org) or visit our website: www.sodcob.org. In addition to this publication, we also email a monthly newsletter. To request a newsletter simply email your request to the same email address. If you would like to add your event to either the website, this publication, or the monthly newsletter please email your information to sodcob@brethren.org **before the 15th of the month.**

Beavercreek Church of Brethren, Cub Scout Pack 68, Evergreen, Troop 68 Tecumseh

Sat Nov 1, 2025

10am - 5pm Alesia Campbell Brethren Hall

Sun Nov 2, 2025

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service

Mon Nov 3, 2025

6:30pm - 9pm Weekly Troop Meeting

Where: Scout House, 2659 Dayton Xenia Rd, Beavercreek, OH 45434
Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Tue Nov 4, 2025

6pm - 7pm Webelos Den 13

Where: Scout House, 2659 Dayton Xenia Road, Beavercreek, OH, 45434
Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIjMLPzSS7kw/calendar>

7pm - 8pm Deacons meeting via zoom

Wed Nov 5, 2025

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN PM

6pm - 7pm Pack Committee Meeting

Where: Sobota Home (1162 Asbury Court, Beavercreek Twp, OH 45385)
Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIjMLPzSS7kw/calendar>

Thu Nov 6, 2025

6:30pm - 7:30pm Wolf Den 6

Where: Trebein Computer Lab 1145, 1728 Dayton Xenia Rd, Xenia, OH, 45385
Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIjMLPzSS7kw/calendar>

Fri Nov 7, 2025

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN AM/PM

5pm - 6:30pm Campout Departure

Where: Brethren Hall/Garage
Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Sat Nov 8, 2025

All day Stephanie Amtry's baby shower
Sat Nov 8, 2025

Sun Nov 9, 2025

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service

10:30am - 12pm Campout Return

Where: Brethren Hall/Garage
Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Beavercreek Church of Brethren, Cub Scout Pack 68, Evergreen, Troop 68 Tecumseh

Mon Nov 10, 2025

6:30pm - 9pm Weekly Troop Meeting

Where: Scout House, 2659 Dayton Xenia Rd, Beavercreek, OH 45434

Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Tue Nov 11, 2025

6pm - 7pm Den 7 - Lions (2nd and 4th Tuesdays)

Where: Trebein Computer Lab 1145, 1728 Dayton Xenia Rd, Xenia, OH, 45385

Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIJmLPzSS7kw/calendar>

7pm - 8pm Bear Den 4 Meeting

Where: Scout House, 2659 Dayton Xenia Road, Beavercreek, OH, 45434

Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIJmLPzSS7kw/calendar>

Wed Nov 12, 2025

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN PM

6:30pm - 8pm Pack Meeting

Where: Trebein Elementary, 1728 Dayton Xenia Road, Beavercreek Twp, OH, 45385

Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIJmLPzSS7kw/calendar>

Fri Nov 14, 2025

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN AM/PM

Sun Nov 16, 2025

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service

10:30am - 11:30am Mug Dump

11:15am - 2:15pm Happy Thanks-Chili-Day carry in

Where: Brethren Hall

Mon Nov 17, 2025

6:30pm - 9pm Weekly Troop Meeting

Where: Scout House, 2659 Dayton Xenia Rd, Beavercreek, OH 45434

Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Tue Nov 18, 2025

6pm - 7pm Webelos Den 13

Where: Scout House, 2659 Dayton Xenia Road, Beavercreek, OH, 45434

Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIJmLPzSS7kw/calendar>

7pm - 8pm Board Meeting

7pm - 9pm Patrol Leader Council Meeting

Where: Scout House, 2659 Dayton Xenia Rd, Beavercreek, OH 45434

Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Wed Nov 19, 2025

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN PM

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Thu Nov 20, 2025

6:30pm - 7:30pm Wolf Den 6

Where: Trebein Computer Lab 1145, 1728 Dayton Xenia Rd, Xenia, OH, 45385

Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIjMLPzSS7kw/calendar>

Fri Nov 21, 2025

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN AM/PM

Sun Nov 23, 2025

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service

Tue Nov 25, 2025

All day Newsletter Deadline

Tue Nov 25, 2025

6pm - 7pm Den 7 - Lions (4th Tuesdays)

Where: Trebein Computer Lab 1145, 1728 Dayton Xenia Rd, Xenia, OH, 45385

Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIjMLPzSS7kw/calendar>

7pm - 8pm Bear Den 4 Meeting

Where: Scout House, 2659 Dayton Xenia Road, Beavercreek, OH, 45434

Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIjMLPzSS7kw/calendar>

Wed Nov 26, 2025

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN PM

Fri Nov 28, 2025

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN AM/PM

Sat Nov 29, 2025

10am - 11am Decorate Church for Advent

Sun Nov 30, 2025

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service