

Beavercreek Church of the Brethren

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



Mini Calendar

Sundays

10:15 am Worship

Tuesday March 3rd

7 pm Deacons' Meeting
via Zoom

Sunday March 8th

Daylight Saving Time!

Sunday March 15th

Mug Dump

Tuesday March 17th

7 pm Board Meeting
via Zoom

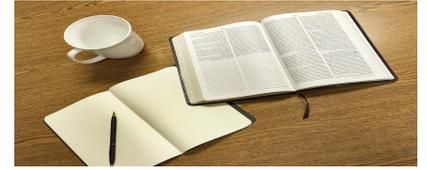
Tuesday March 24th

Newsletter Deadline

Sunday March 29th

Palm Sunday

From the Pastor's Desk



Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ,

As we continue our journey of faith together, I share with you something I found is my research. I hope it brings you hope, peace, joy, and love - those themes of Advent that still and will continue to resonate with us through 2026. Here are ways to love in 2026: Listen without interrupting (Proverbs 18). Speak without accusing (James 1:19). Give without sparing (Proverbs 21:26). Pray without ceasing (Colossians 1:9). Answer without arguing (Proverbs 17:1). Share without pretending (Ephesians 4:15). Enjoy without complaint (Philippians 2:14). Trust without wavering (Corinthians 13:7). Forgive without punishing (Colossians 3:13). Promise without forgetting (Proverbs 13:12).

I challenge you to remember and consider when these things have taken place in your life in the past. I also challenge you to strive to bring the message of peace in all you do and for all who need your example in the present and future. May the God of light be your guide. Blessings to you all.

Blessings,
Pastor Sandy

Scriptures and messages

3/1 **God Meets Us Where We Are / Psalm 121 / John 3:1-17**

3/8 **Waters of Faith / Exodus 17:1-7 / John 4:5-15**

3/15 **Beyond Appearances and Expectations / Psalm 23 / Ephesians 5:8-14**

3/22 **Dry Bones, Revived Faith / Psalm 130 / John 11:28-45**

3/29 (Palm Sunday) **Hosanna in the Highest / Psalm 118:19-29 /**

Matthew 21:1-11

★ HAPPY ★ BIRTHDAY!

Austin Schneider
Peter Vance
Len Farwell

03/03
03/06
03/13

Bob Timmons
Joel Hartman
Derrick Petry

03/18
03/18
03/29



Anniversaries

Karen & Gary Crim *03/16*
Karen & Len Farwell *03/18*



**Don't forget to set your clocks forward
Sunday Morning on March 8th.
We don't want to miss you at Church!**

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 huge "THANK YOU!" to Nancy Pitstick for her delicious recipes.
- The SOK would like to thank us for our recent donation which will be going toward
 - Resourcing -- what do pastors, congregations and the board need?
 - Equipping-- who needs to be equipped based on revealed resourcing needs?
 - Supporting -- how can mutual support empower everyone to thrive?

Boardwalk



BOARDWALK FOR MARCH 2026 NEWSLETTER **Recap of the board minutes from February 17, 2026.**

Trustee Report:

- This month the blower motor in Brethren Hall furnace has been replaced.
- The new light fixture in the women's restroom has been installed.
- Dan O'Callahan, Scout Leader and general contractor, is working with us to identify appropriate replacement doors for Brethren Hall at the best price. The plan is to replace all three doors. The cost will likely be lower than earlier estimates from Lowe's.

Pastor's Report:

- Scout Sunday on February 8th was a celebration of youth leadership! And their pancake brunch in Brethren Hall after worship was delightful! Pastor Sandy sent thank you emails to the Scout leadership with an invitation to their families to consider making BCOB their church home.
- Upcoming spring/summer Eagle project work on our Peace Garden is in the works. A new Peace Pole is needed. Suggestions for languages will be needed from the congregation to create the pole. More information to follow.
- Plans continue for Love Feast on Maundy Thursday, April 2nd . More discussion with the Deacons will happen in March.
- Jeanette Esterline and Pastor Sandy are working on an audio library of hymns to have ready in case Melody (our pianist) is absent from worship. Jeanette and Melody created some files that were used during Covid. These should be ready to use with our new audio system soon.

Witness Report:

- Plans for Witness projects were included in the February newsletter. The information will be posted on a bulletin board and on our website for the upcoming year.

Other:

- Sylvia Hess saw an article in the November Messenger about Lafayette Church of the Brethren in Indiana offering "A Day to Give Away." This would be a good project for BCOB to offer good household items for free to the community to meet the needs of our neighbors. Spring is a good time to clean out our closets. It would be an opportunity to unite with the Beaver creek community. We will further discuss the possibility at the next board meeting.
- The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 17th at 7:00 P.M. by Zoom meeting.

Turtle Cake

INGREDIENTS:

- one 14 oz. bag caramels
- 1/3 cup evaporated milk
- 1 box German chocolate cake mix
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 3/4 cup margarine
- 1/3 cup evaporated milk
- one 12 oz. package chocolate chips



DIRECTIONS

1. Melt caramels with 1/3 cup evaporated milk and set aside.
2. Mix cake mix, pecans, margarine and the other 1/3 cup evaporated milk.
3. Put 1/2 of this mixture in a 9 x 13 pan.
4. Pat down in pan and bake at 350 degrees for 6 minutes.
5. Sprinkle chips over cake base and pour caramel mixture over chocolate chips.
6. Crumble remaining cake mixture on top of caramel and bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes.
7. Cool slightly and cut.

District Clerk needed!

As of January 31, 2026 the Southern Ohio/Kentucky District Clerk will still an open position. The role of the clerk as stated in the District bylaws is: "The clerk shall keep the minutes of District Conference and of Board Meetings, see that all notices are given according to these regulations or as required by law; have custody of the corporate records; keep a register of the post-office addresses of each member; in general perform all the duties incident to the office of secretary; and perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by District Conference." This position can be filled by either a man or woman. Would you, or someone you know, be able and willing to fill this vital position within District Leadership? Please contact Interim DE, Nick Beam (nbeam@brethren.org) or the Trent Smith, District Board Chair (pastortrent@happycornerchurch.org) for more information.

2026 National Youth Conference Information

Held every four years, NYC provides young people in high school and the first year of college (or age equivalent) and their advisors to gather for a week of fellowship, worship, workshops, recreation and more. And 2026 is the year! NYC will be held July 18-23 at Estes Park in Colorado. Registration is now open. The Southern Ohio/Kentucky District is offering a \$1000.00 grant for each young person and each advisor to help offset expenses. More information and a grant application can be found on the district website.

Camp Sugarwood Updates

Women's Mini Retreat—Learning and Sharing in Community
"Awareness of God's Blessings" April 18, 2026—8:30am-12pm at Trotwood Church of the Brethren. A flyer and registration form can be found on the district website.

Summer is Coming! Plan to join the fun at Camp Sugarwood!
REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!! All dates, flyers with more information, and registration forms can be found on the district website, or contact your Camp Ambassador or church office.

A New Way to Support Camping and Retreat Ministries

Buy Gift Cards through Raise Right. Turn your everyday expenses into support. Simply buy gift cards and shop online through CRM's RaiseRight Program and brands will automatically give up to 20% back to help pay for Camping and Retreat Ministries programs like Winter Blast. Use gift cards to pay for everyday things like groceries, gas, clothing, coffee, or dining out. Whether you're at home or on the go RaiseRight gives you the flexibility with eGift cards, reloadable cards, and a mobile app. Help CRM any time, anywhere. Download the app or use your computer. Enter this enrollment code: MG2V7Y2G92N at www.raiseight.com For questions or help, contact Carrie, cdrees23@gmail.com

Southern Ohio/Kentucky Disaster Ministries Updates

Rebuilding Trips – Volunteers are needed May 10-16 and possibly April 12-18. BDM is talking with partners and hopes to move the BDM site the end of March from Letcher County, KY. The next site will likely be Hurricane Helene recovery in NC, but plans are not finalized. [Click here](#) for a flyer with all the 2026 trip dates.

Intergenerational BDM Trip – July 5-11 is a BDM trip for adults and youth. It's an opportunity for grandparents, parents and youth to work together rebuilding homes for disaster survivors.

Opportunity in Louisiana – A team of volunteers is being organized to serve in Pointe-au-Chien, LA from April 7-28 to rebuild a home destroyed by Hurricane Ida (2021). Those who are interested or who may have questions, contact **Cliff Kindy** – kindy@cbt.org or home phone: **260-982-2971**.

Sewing Bee/CWS Prep – On March 28 there will be a Sewing Bee at 9:00 AM at Eaton Community Church, 813 Camden Road. Volunteers will sew school bags for Church World Service (CWS) kids kits, formerly called school kits. Please bring your sewing machine and an extension cord. Non-sewers will prep items for kids kits and cleanup buckets. Everyone is invited to bring a sack lunch.

Trotwood CoB Offers Scholarships for College Students

The Trotwood Church of the Brethren has five scholarships for college students. For more details and to ask for an application form, please email the church at office@trotwoodcob.com or call 937-837-6604 to leave a message. The amount of each scholarship will be determined by the number of applications, the resources available and the guidelines of each contributor. Application deadline is April 1, 2026.

Lower Miami CoB is raising urgently needed legal aid

funds for an immigrant church family whose asylum hearing is scheduled for April. Join us Saturday, March 21st between 4-7 pm for an evening of soup supper, music, and games for the whole family. This event will be held at Happy Corner CoB which is graciously giving use of their kitchen and gym space. \$10 at the door with further donations appreciated. Dinner will be served between 4:30-6:30 pm, with multiple soups and sides available to accommodate a variety of dietary needs. If you would like to donate, but can't attend, please send a check to Lower Miami CoB, 5353 Germantown Rd, Dayton, OH 45417 Attn: "Legal Aid Fund".

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 (sodccob@brethren.org) or visit our website: www.sodccob.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 sodccob@brethren.org before the 15th of the month.

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

Sun Mar 1, 2026

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service

Mon Mar 2, 2026

6:30pm - 9pm Weekly Troop Meeting

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

Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Tue Mar 3, 2026

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 Mar 4, 2026

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN PM

Thu Mar 5, 2026

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 Mar 6, 2026

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN AM/PM

Sun Mar 8, 2026

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service

Mon Mar 9, 2026

6:30pm - 9pm Weekly Troop Meeting

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

Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Tue Mar 10, 2026

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 Mar 11, 2026

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN PM

Fri Mar 13, 2026

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN AM/PM

Sun Mar 15, 2026

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service

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10:30am - 11:30am Mug Dump

Mon Mar 16, 2026

6:30pm - 9pm Weekly Troop Meeting

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

Tue Mar 17, 2026

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 Mar 18, 2026

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN PM

6pm - 8pm Pack Meeting

Where: Sky Zone, 976 Senate Dr, Dayton, OH 45459
Calendar: <https://pack-68.trooptrack.com/troops/C0PppMC04eEIjMLPzSS7kw/calendar>

Thu Mar 19, 2026

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 Mar 20, 2026

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN AM/PM

All day Troop New Scout Campout

Fri Mar 20, 2026 - Sun Mar 22, 2026
Where: Brethren Hall & Parade Field
Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Sat Mar 21, 2026

All day Troop New Scout Campout

Fri Mar 20, 2026 - Sun Mar 22, 2026
Where: Brethren Hall & Parade Field
Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Sun Mar 22, 2026

All day Troop New Scout Campout

Fri Mar 20, 2026 - Sun Mar 22, 2026
Where: Brethren Hall & Parade Field
Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service

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Tue Mar 24, 2026

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 Mar 25, 2026

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN PM

Fri Mar 27, 2026

11am - 3pm CHURCH OFFICE OPEN AM/PM

Sun Mar 29, 2026

10:15am - 11:15am Palm Sunday-Anointing

10:15am - 11:15am Worship Service

Mon Mar 30, 2026

6:30pm - 9pm Weekly Troop Meeting

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

Calendar: troop68.tecumseh@gmail.com

Tue Mar 31, 2026

All day Newsletter Deadline

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