

Recording the

# JOURNEY

of the Black Rock Church of the Brethren

*March*



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**Our Vision:** Come as you are. Experience God's love. Go out like Christ.

**Our Mission:** Black Rock Church is a place of refuge where people are renewed and transformed by the Spirit to continue the work of Jesus  
peacefully, simply, together

# Pastor's Page

The way we Talk.

By, Pastor Brandon Grady

Words, for some, they come so easily. For others, they're hard to find. In certain situations, we know what to say, in others, we just don't.

As I reflect on the spoken word, I'm drawn back to James image of the Tongue. Boy, we say so many things and we do our best to say the right ones, well, most of the time, anyway. And can we control ourselves? Well, hopefully most of the time. But what I think James reminds us is the Tongue must be tamed as well. And it's not just a one time thing. We must always be watching what we say and how we say it, because one way or another, it will have an impact. The word poison is even used by this brother of Jesus to describe the tongue, this tool of speech.

As I think about my own life, there are so many times I wish I might've just kept quiet. And there's other times I wish I would've spoken up.

Well friends, as we continue into this year of being a welcoming and hospitable congregation, my prayer is we remember our words have an impact. The expressions of thought in words can truly help bring others closer to Christ Jesus and into this place, or words can turn them away. That's something for all of us, me included to remember as one who has the awesome opportunity to speak before you every Sunday. I'm so aware how words and tone may or may not be helpful. As the Lord gives us strength to welcome others, I'd love for us to remember Jesus' words, love your neighbor, speak gently, be quick to listen and slow to anger. Let's welcome with not just our actions, but our words too. Let's reach beyond the world's understanding of words and focus on God's Word. For that word, as the gospel of John reminds us, was where it all began, and therefore on what we should all be building. To God be the Glory

# Sermons

## **March 1 (beginning of Lent)**

Scripture- Matthew 4:1-11

Title- Don't fail this test.

Description- This world is a test; how will we do?

## **March 8**

Scripture- Matthew 17:1-9

Title- Jesus changes everything.

Description- A life in Christ means our whole world is turned upside down.

## **March 15**

Scripture- John 5:1-9

Title- All is well.

Description- Jesus example reminds us to never miss opportunities to bless and to be blessed.

## **March 22**

Scripture- Ephesians 5:8-14

Title- Expose the light.

Description- We ourselves must always be reflectors of Christ's light!

## **March 29**

Scripture- Ezekiel 37:1-14

Title- Dry bones apart, living bones together.

Description- God can work with us in any state and bring breath and life.



thank you



\*Thank you to Karen Alwine for Sharpening the pew pencils and keeping the pew racks filled with pew cards.

\*Thank you to those who make our encouragement cards for the card ministry, and those that organize and address them for mailing.

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\*Shirley Marshall and Lisa Konopinski, for decorating the sanctuary for the months of January and February

\*For those who provide snacks for fellowship time. and for those serving those snacks in the Gathering Place,

\*Thank you to Sharon Myers and Shirley Marshall for preparing our Congregational Cards for the month of January and February. These cards make such a difference in the lives of those who receive them.

\*Worship & Fellowship wishes to say Thank you to all who made soups and desserts and helped raise \$125 for HACC. Also thanks to those who helped with set up and clean up for our Souper Sunday.

\*Special thanks to Cheryl Leppo, Diana and Duane Shaulis, John Werner and Sandie Keller for their help with cleaning up the room next to the kitchen project. Also thanks to Kelly Shaub and the youth for the clean-up they did while preparing for their breakfast.

\*Thank you to Eric Lehman and Karl Lehman, for all the time and expertise they put into selecting a new computer that is cost effective and meets our needs for the sanctuary.

**Easter Flowers** fill the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday morning.  
Honor or memorialize someone special in your life by giving this  
completed form to **Bonnie Henry**

With cash or a check made payable to Black Rock Church.  
The deadline to place your order is **Sunday, March 29th**



## **White Lilies – \$11.**

Qty. \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## **Tulips (Assorted colors)– \$11.**

Qty. \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# CHURCH LIBRARY

"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."

**These library books may remain on the red cart in  
The Gathering Place for one to two months.**

Library March 2020

By Linda Covalt

**Look Who Just Came In My Door by Vivian Ziegler—**

The life of Anna N. Buckwalter. At age 94 Anna remembers growing up in the 1900, struggling through the Great Depression, working with Lancaster County, PA. Fresh Air program for 32 years, guiding tourists through "Amish Country" for 36 years, taxiing the Amish for 16 years and much, much more.

**One- Sided Christianity by Ronald J. Sider—**The author talks about uniting the church to heal a lost and broken world.

**Lonely No More by Karen Burton Mains** –A woman's journey to personal, marital, and spiritual healing.

**Papa, My Father by Leo Buscaglia**— A celebration of Dad's. The author describes his father as man who never acquired fame or fortune but who achieved great success as a husband and father.

**Tramp For the Lord by Corrie Ten Boom**—The author served time in a German concentration camp for hiding persecuted Jews. After her release from the concentration camp she set out traveling around the world at the direction of God, proclaiming His message. She shares in this book what she learned during these travels.

**What Good Is God? By Philip Yancey** — The author travels the globe in search of an answer to his question. He meets with leaders of the underground church in China, with prostitutes, alcoholics, Bible college students in the U.S. and many others in search of the answer to this question.

**The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver**— This novel is a story by the wife and four daughters of a fierce, evangelical Baptist who takes his family and mission to the Belgian Congo in 1959.

**The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd**—This story is set in motion on Sarah's eleventh birthday in 1803, when she is given ownership of ten-year-old Handful, who is to be her handmaid.



# March Birthdays



- |    |                  |    |                     |
|----|------------------|----|---------------------|
| 1  | Nevin Garvick    | 18 | Isla Myers          |
|    | Gloria Myers     |    | Wanda Stremmel      |
| 3  | Sherry Wherley   | 21 | Chris Stonesifer    |
| 4  | Jacob Haring     |    | Connie Forbush      |
| 5  | Rose Marie Rill  |    | Mark Robinson       |
|    | Randy Myers      | 22 | Zane Biddle         |
| 6  | Jamie Hartlaub   |    | Daniel Sprenger     |
|    | Mason Tyler      | 23 | Michael Garvick     |
| 7  | Jayden Calstrom  |    | Tina Redding        |
| 8  | Paul Boldosser   |    | Gracie Shaub        |
|    | Heidi Hanson     | 24 | Romaine Miller      |
|    | Nicole Mikulas   |    | Jeanne Wah          |
|    | Patti Ritter     | 25 | Mark Schaefer       |
| 12 | Cathy Brant      |    | Cody Shaffer        |
|    | Cordai Steckel   |    | Bob Roach           |
| 13 | Cody Hartlaub    | 26 | Darlene Myers       |
|    | Jill Hoffacker   |    | Matt Muir           |
|    | Layne Killen     |    | Alexandra Henderson |
| 14 | Jake Bollinger   | 27 | Robert Crawford Jr. |
|    | Dick Kipple      | 28 | Duane Shaulis       |
| 15 | Leland Anderson  |    | Cynthia Yingling    |
| 16 | Sandy Bollinger  | 30 | Leah Stone          |
|    | Jilienne Widener |    | Robert Sasscer      |
|    | Mary Crawford    | 31 | Pam Wise            |
|    | Amier Steckel    |    | Steve Forbush       |
| 18 | Galen Bortner    |    | Nolan Hanson        |
|    | Lovie Klunk      |    |                     |

# March Anniversaries



- 2 Steve & Deb Wolicki (91)
- 11 Mike & Kelly Garvick (95)
- 12 Patrick & Donna Apicella (10)
- 26 Doug & Terry Martin (83)
- 30 Brett & Wynne Hoffacker (96)
- Ellis & Darlene Myers (68)
- 31 Angelo & Jessie Cocci (04)



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**on the cover** *Madison Avenue Church of the Brethren in York, Pa. Photo by David Wolfe. Left: Pastor Keith Hollenberg took a group of youth to a fish farm last year. Many of the youth had never been fishing before, and each one took some fish home for supper that night.*

**Be inspired. Grow your faith. The MESSENGER**

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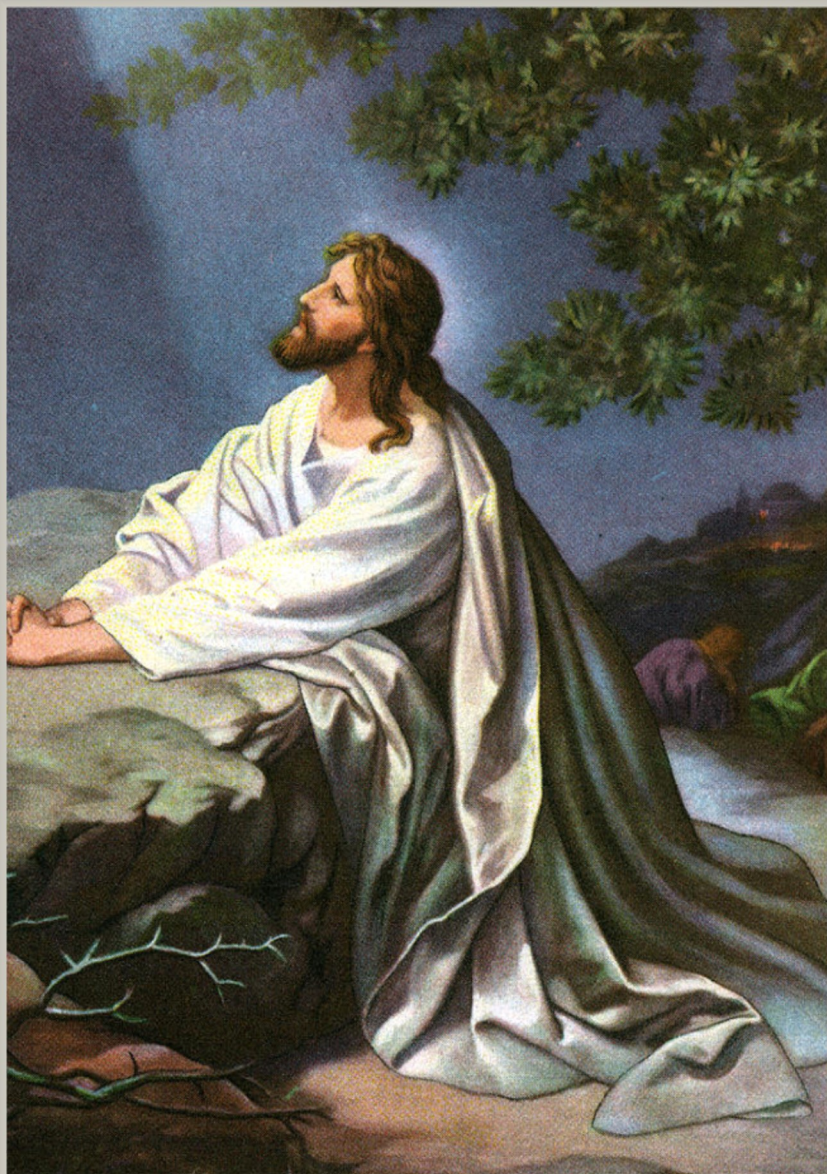
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Church club prices:

**(Circle one): \$14.50 for 1 yr., or \$27.00 for 2 yrs.**



**TENEBRÆ SERVICE**  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 9 AT 7PM**





The 2020 District Women's Luncheon,

**GOD IS DOING A NEW THING!**

Isaiah 43:18-19

Held at the Hanover COB. Saturday, April 25th at 9am

The speaker will be Leah J. Hileman, who is the author of nearly 300 original contemporary Christian songs and has been performing music professionally since 1993

Session 1 will focus on what God is doing to renew ME.

How I have been experiencing the Holy Spirit lately?

How can I increase my sensitivity to the Holy Spirit?

Session 2 will focus on the ways God is renewing the CHURCH.

How can I participate by operating in the strength of my spiritual gifts and natural talents?

Registration and refreshments begin at 9am and the luncheon will be at noon. The cost is \$10/person.

If you are interested in attending please pick up a flyer on the bulletin board in the Narthex  
Registration Deadline is April 15th.

**SO PA District Youth Event**

**Spring into Action-  
A Call to Peace**



A weekend retreat for  
Junior and Senior High Youth and Advisors.

**March 27-29  
at Camp Eder, Fairfield PA**

Friday 8:15 - 9:15 pm, arrive at Camp  
First activity begins at 9:30 pm  
Sunday 11 am - noon, depart Camp

*Registration fee:*

*\$50/person if received by Feb. 29*

*\$60/person if received from March 1-20*

*March 20 is the absolute last day to register*

*Fee includes lodging, 3 meals on Saturday  
and breakfast on Sunday.*

Mail registration form and check to  
SO PA District Office.

Covenant and Medical Release forms  
must be turned in at the event.

# Community Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday,  
April 11 at  
9:30am



## **Hanover Area Council of Churches March Prayer Requests**

Week of March 4: Community Needs Comm..  
Week of March 11: Executive Committee  
Week of March 18 Faith-at-Work Ministry  
Week of :March 25, Finance Committee



## **March Special Needs**

Most items can be placed in the HACC Box  
under the coat rack in the Narthex.

### **PAL**

Brown Sugar  
Salt & Pepper  
BBQ Sauce  
Zip Lock Sandwich bags  
Red Rose tea

### **Changing Lives Shelter**

Dishwasher pods

### **RUTH'S HARVEST**

(Single Serve)  
Vegetables and Entrees

### **Clothing Bank**

Men and Ladies  
body wash and deodorant



**Sunday, March 15, 2020**

**4:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

**Black Rock Church of the Brethren**

**3864 Glenville Road**

**Glenville, Pa. (near Lineboro, Md.)**

**COMMUNITY EVENT FEATURING:**

Craft Creations (starting at 4:00)

Snacks & Sweets (starting at 4:00)

Pause for Pizza (serving at about 5:15)

Games Galore (starting after pizza meal)

Prize Picks (drawings until 6:30)



**FREE**

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There is no charge for admission, activities, or refreshments, and reservations are not needed. Seating and provisions are on a first-come basis.

For details: visit us on Facebook, go to [blackrockchurch.org](http://blackrockchurch.org), or call the church office:  
**717-637-6170**

*Please come and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship!*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
1 9a Sunday school 10:15a Worship Every Sunday	2 9am-Clothing bank 7:30 pmB&W Hoffacker Bible Study	3 9:30a Bereans Bible Study 7pm Staff Relations mtg.	4 9a Staff Mtg. 10a Book of John study. 7:30p Adult choir	5 7p Renovaré Bible Study	6 8:30a First Friday Ladies Breakfast Dutch Country	7
8 Daylight Savings begins 9a Sunday school 9a Worship & Fellowship meeting 10:15a Worship	9 4p-Outreach mtg. 7p Mad Mary Bible Study	10 9:30a Bereans Bible Study	11 9a Clothing Bank 9a Staff Mtg. 7:30p Properties 7p Adult Choir	12 9a PAL lunch SERV NOW Dinner	13 7:30a Men's Prayer Breakfast at Lazarus UCC	14
15 9a Sunday school 10:15a Worship 4p Family Fun Night	16 7p-Bible Study at Robinson home	17  9:30a Bereans Bible Study 7 p Leadership Team	18 9a Staff Mtg. 6:30p Bells 7:30p Adult choir	19 9a Provide a lunch 7p Renovaré Bible Study	20	21
22 Journey Deadline 9a Sunday school 10:15a Worship	23 7:30 p B & W Hoffackers Bible Study	24 9:30a Bereans Bible Study @ Pat Challenger's	25 9a Staff Meeting 2p Brandon preach at TBHC mid- week service	26	27	28
29 My Two Cents offering.	30	31 9:30a Bereans Bible Study				

	Musical Group	Organist	Pianist	Children's Church	Acolytes	Children's Story	Nursery	Worship Leader	Welcomer
1		Suzanne Werner	Esther Kipple		Stevie or Alex Brenton	Shirley Marshall	Sandy Bollinger	Pat Challenger	Karen Alwine
8	Adult Choir	Robyn Bortner	Suzanne Werner			Brandon Grady	Audrey Shisler	Mary Robinson	
15	Praise Choir	Martha Brant	Robyn Bortner			Vondalee Luckenbaugh	Carrie Brenton	Mary Robinson	
22	Bronze/Adult	Esther Kipple	Jeanne Wah			Lisa Konopinski	Bonnie Henry	Pat Challenger	
29	Kids Praise	Robyn Bortner	Suzanne Werner	Jeanne Wah			Terry Stickles	Pat Challenger	