

# EASTON CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

**JULY/AUGUST, 2023 PEACHBLOSSOM PRESS NEWSLETTER**

## Mission Statement

“Sharing the love and blessing of God with all.”



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As this newsletter hits the press, Annual Conference attendees will be heading to Cincinnati, Ohio. Conference begins Tuesday, July 4 through Saturday, July 8, and the site for conference will be at the Duke Energy Convention Center. The moderator this year will be Tim McElwee.

“The theme for Annual Conference this year is *Living God’s Love*. The theme is based on Ephesians 5: 1-2, but the central message is found throughout the Bible. In fact, I think this calling is the most basic and most important teaching we can commit ourselves to, in order to live as disciples of Jesus Christ.

During Annual Conference, there will be many opportunities to experience God’s love and to hear about the many ways we are living out God’s love as ‘Jesus in the Neighborhood’ stories are shared. Conference attendees will also welcome new fellowships and celebrate the growth of the global church, while learning together through Equipping Sessions, as we are renewed through worship services, and as we are strengthened through fellowship during common meals, concerts, and countless discussions” (excerpts from moderators’ message).

Brethren Volunteer Service will also celebrate 75 years of service and the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria will be celebrating their 100th anniversary.

Dale Fike will be representing our church this year as delegate. Thank you Dale. We will be looking forward to hearing your report on your return.

Did you know that the month of August gets its name from the Roman Emperor, Augusta Caesar? The month of August is known for many things, including the dog days of summer (humid/hot), National Watermelon Day (August 3), and National Smile Week (August 5-11). Also, August is famous for being the harvest month in many cultures...the best time to bring in crops from the fields, having spent the summer growing. To us, August brings in the best bounty of the season: ripened tomatoes, melons, sweet corn and zucchini...a few of the favorites.

***This summer, enjoy God’s beautiful creation and bounty, and be safe.***





- 1 Amy Bachand, Lee Lyons
- 2 Chris Scaglione
- 3 Lisa Lohr
- 4 Kathy Anderson
- 6 Joshua Lohr, Brennen Lyons
- 7 Jamie Cox, Judi Loscomb, Dwayne Mattox, Tracy Correa
- 8 Betty Lednum, Tom Schwaninger, Jody Gunn
- 10 Sherry Hutchison, Mike Mullikin
- 11 Trinity Turnage
- 13 Bob Davis, Brian Rathell, Luke Miller
- 14 David Cox
- 16 Nina Jacobs
- 17 Kevin Lohr, Curtis Satchell
- 18 Leah Miller
- 20 Terry Dayton
- 21 Melanie Young
- 22 Morgan Phillips, Liz Wildasin, Ken Martin, Michael Pierce
- 24 Jim Harvey, Robert Musch
- 26 Bud Loscomb
- 27 Marah Basel
- 28 Paityn Phillips
- 31 Geoff Fox



- 4 Rusty & Phyllis Dodd-Curling
- 11 Robin & Linda Lyons
- 28 Gary & Wendy Faulkner
- 30 Tom & Sue Ann Brockson



- 1 Amy Brown
- 3 Renee Edsall
- 5 Dale Fike, Morgan Harvey
- 6 Fran Morris
- 7 Chloe Grubbs, Gretchen Satchell
- 8 Jo Ann Fike
- 9 Amara Jones
- 10 Gary Fox
- 11 Gary Ball, Adam Lohr
- 12 Emerson Tarr
- 13 Lynn Butler, Adam Schwaninger
- 14 Melissa Johnson, Jed Leroy Correa
- 19 Dennis Lohr
- 21 Ryan Tarr
- 24 Gwen Wood Larrimore
- 25 Lucas Milburn, Brenda Pierce
- 26 Bonnie Wooters
- 28 Barbara Seese
- 29 Bill Zellers, Tara Blake Haddaway
- 30 Bruce Butler
- 31 Brianna Boyle



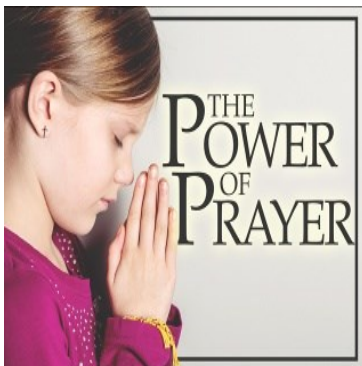
- 3 Kevin & Ellen Wile  
Kevin & Joy Miller
- 4 John & Norma Trax  
J.C. & Debbie Russ
- 15 John & Lyn Banghart
- 19 Lee & Lynn Lyons
- 22 Corey & Nicole Edsall

Congratulations to Dylan Seese and Krista Wooters, who were married last week-end. They are enjoying a beautiful new home, a beautiful little girl, name Chandler and are expecting a baby boy in January, 2024. Best wishes for a wonderful life together.



# Our Prayer List

**Please pray especially for the following individuals and their families:** for those who have contracted COVID-19, for health care workers, and for government and civic leaders who are seeking the best way forward, for our District, for all those who have been affected economically, for Camp Mardela and administrator Jennifer Summy, for those traveling to and from Annual Conference, the family of Ken Gresh, the family of Ginny Turkington, Leroy Miller, a couple name Mike & Kris (Mike has been in the hospital for a while dealing with cancer and is very depressed), Jeanette Miller, John Merceron, John Eason, Mike Moore, Brenda Wooden, David Hutchison, Mary Lou Segar, Frances Morse, Scott Baynard, Bruce Butler, Jimmy & Loretta Lohr, Ruth Gunn, Charlie Willis, Adele Pogue, Caitlyn Bussey, Theresa, (co-worker of Terri Tarr), Doris Schwaninger, Wyatt Ewing, Kathy Spurry, Billy Harding, Larry Fike, Alan Segar, GraceWay CoB, Roger Plagge, Dee Candel, Lois Schall, Natalee Jones, continuous prayers for our church family in Nigeria, continued prayers for Comfort Amos, Emerson Fike, Katelyn Howard. Pray for leaders & people that are working towards peace. ***Please phone or email the church office to add or remove persons on our prayer list.***



Our deepest sympathy to the family of Ginny Turkington. Ms. Ginny passed away on Saturday, June 24. Her funeral arrangements are pending.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Ken Gresh. Ken passed away on Sunday, June 26. Funeral arrangements are private.

We pray Christ presence and love be with each of these families.



## Special music for July and August

July 2	Cheryl Dayton
July 9	Gerri McGuire
July 16	Ellen Wile
July 23	Jennifer Summy
July 30	Lawrence Tyler
August 6	Liz Wildasin
August 13	Cheryl Dayton
August 20	Amy Bachand
August 27	Lee & Liz Wildasin



The Leadership Team will meet on Monday, July 10 at 1:00 p.m. in the library.



### Interested in Serving as Worship Leader

We're always looking for new people to share their gifts! It doesn't take a lot of time--just a bit of preparation and a willingness to serve. If you would like to join this team of volunteers or want more information, please contact the church office or Marlena Groves (Nurture Chair).

### Neighborhood Service Center Food Pantry

Let's not forget that food prices keep going up! When we pay attention to our local, national and international food needs, we are reminded that people suffer from food insecurity all around. If we do not share of our bounty, others go hungry. Let us give, so others may live. Any non-perishable food items with good "best if used by" dates are accepted.

### Neighborhood Service Center

Please contact Marilyn Neal, if you are interested in volunteering at the center. Their phone number is 410-822-5015.

### Talbot Interfaith Shelter

The 2023 Talbot Interfaith Shelter (TIS) volunteer list is available for sign-up. Please take the time and look to see where you can spare a few hours of your time every month. Any questions, please contact Norma Trax. **Our next dates will be July 19 and August 19, 2023.** Two volunteers are needed for three shifts, as well as the meal. Please sign-up in the narthex.

## Offering & Attendance for June

	Attendance	34	38	35	42	149
	6/4/2023	6/11/2023	6/18/2023	6/25/2023	Totals	
<b><i>Distributions</i></b>						
<i>General (06)</i>						
Envelopes	2,560.00	1,800.00	1,830.00	1,355.00	7,545.00	
Loose Change/Cash	70.00	75.00	20.00	30.00	195.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,630.00</b>	<b>1,875.00</b>	<b>1,850.00</b>	<b>1,385.00</b>	<b>7,740.00</b>	
<i>Other Income (06)</i>						
Harrison St. Rent	1,500.00				1,500.00	
Washington St. Rent	1,700.00				1,700.00	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,200.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,200.00</b>	
<i>Special Offerings (07)</i>						
Messenger Subscriptions			27.00		27.00	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,200.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>27.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,227.00</b>	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9,030.00</b>	<b>1,875.00</b>	<b>1,877.00</b>	<b>1,385.00</b>	<b>14,167.00</b>	

# A TRIBUTE TO MISTI GREEN AND HER FAITHFUL COMPANION SARAH



## Misti and Sarah

Misti and Sarah you oft did see  
During church service and on the bench so quietly

Never a sound was ever made as on her rounds she did go  
Looking to and fro for those she did know

Now we will no longer see  
Sarah and Misti

For Sarah did away from us go as all good friends must  
When in their master they trust

For you see, Sarah was more than a creature  
She was one special Depending On God

Now as we go through this life  
It is with fond memories and not strife

Rest well dear friend  
It's only the beginning, not the end



Co-Worship leaders Misti Green and Sarah  
Easton Church of the Brethren  
October 17, 2021  
With love and fond memories from Dale Fike this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021



## Misti and Sarah Epilogue

Misti and Sarah you oft did see  
During church service, on the bench so quietly

Sadly now we'll no longer see  
Sarah and her "mom" Misti

Working behind the scenes was her forte  
As she helped others along life's way

For in the infinite wisdom of her Lord you see  
GOD (Guaranteed Ontime Deliverance) did set her free

No longer to read the journals of roads I've trod  
She's gone to her maker, friend, and our God

Cards or notes of gratitude by her distinctive hand  
No longer to be received—we'll understand

Her sense of style and humor, we confess  
Were oft seen in a special themed dress

Now as we go through this life  
It is with fond memories and not strife

Rest well dear friend  
It's only the beginning, not the end

Sunrise

October 3, 1946

Sunset

April 26, 2023

## Misti Lynne Green

In fond memory of dear Misti and Sarah.  
Dale Fike



## SERVING THE MONTH OF JULY

	7/2/2023	7/9/2023	7/16/2023	7/23/2023	7/30/2023
<b>Message</b>	Wanda Baynard	Caitlin Daly	Jim Lohr	Stephanie Saunders	Jody Gunn
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Mat Baynard	Lynn Butler	Cheryl Dayton	Wanda Baynard	Tammy Haddaway
<b>Head Usher/Sound</b>	Leroy Miller	Leroy Miller	Leroy Miller	Leroy Miller	Leroy Miller
<b>Deacons on call</b>	Ron & Elisa Miller	John & Norma Trax	Geoff & Lee Ann Fox	Mat & Wanda Baynard	Les & Marlena Groves
<b>Special Music</b>	Cheryl Dayton	Gerri McGuire	Ellen Wile	Jennifer Summy	Lawrence Tyler
<b>Flowers</b>					

## SERVING THE MONTH OF AUGUST

	8/6/2023	8/13/2023	8/20/2023	8/27/2023
<b>Message</b>				
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Mat Baynard	Jane Marshall	Sharon Miller	Kevin Wile
<b>Head Usher/Sound</b>	Judy Musch	Judy Musch	Judy Musch	Judy Musch
<b>Deacons on call</b>	Jane Marshall/ Anne Harvey	Leroy & Sharon Miller	Ron & Elisa Miller	John & Norma Trax
<b>Special Music</b>	TBA	Cheryl Dayton	TBA	Lee & Liz Wildasin
<b>Flowers</b>	Anne Harvey			

### National Older Adult Conference (NOAC) September 4-8, 2023

The Mid-Atlantic District is organizing a bus to NOAC. To make this affordable, they need 46 participants. The cost is \$200 per passenger, roundtrip. A 50% deposit per passenger is required and must be received in the District office no later than July 15. This bus transportation is being offered to other districts as well, and is available on a first come first serve basis. Please sign up ASAP. Any questions, contact Eddie Edmonds, 304-671-4775 or call the district office. Forms are located on the table in the narthex.



### Witness Team collecting items in July and August.

From July 9-13, we are collecting items for the Talbot Humane Society. Items needed are: Dry/canned cat and dog food, old blankets, towels, pillow cases, toys and treats.

From August 13-20, we are collecting hygiene items to be taken to District Conference. Items needed are: 1 gallon zip-lock bag, 1 hand towel, (15x 28" to 16" x 32", no fingertip, bath, dish or micro-fiber towels), 1 washcloth, 1 6" wide tooth comb (No pocket combs or picks), 1 fingernail file or toenail clippers (remove from package), 1 toothbrush in original package, 10 standard size band-aids.

All items will be packed at Conference in October.

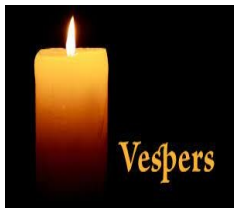
## ***Camp Mardela News—from Jen Summy, Camp Administrator***

### **Camp Mardela News Camp Mardela News from Jen Summy:**

- ◆ **Summer Camp season has begun** through August 5. Bring a friend: Camper and friend receive 10%, Your church pays 50%, Scholarship varies...application on website and in the narthex.
- ◆ **Camp clean-up day:** August 12 from 9-5p. Come and help clean-up after summer camp and prepare for the fall season at camp.
- ◆ **Camp's Anniversary Week-end: September 1-3, 2023.** During Family Camp we will have presentations, displays, and activities celebrating 75 years. Registration is now open. Bruce and Stacey Layton will be directors for this years family camp.
- ◆ **Camp Supper:** September 16 from 4-7p.
- ◆ **Fall service day:** November 18, 9-5p.
- ◆ **Krabill Hall fundraiser continues.** Send donations to camp or online ([www.campmardela.org/payments](http://www.campmardela.org/payments)).
- ◆ **Scrip Fundraiser:** We are still running our Scrip fundraising program! Order gift cards through Scrip and Camp Mardela gets a percentage of the sales. Register and order cards at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com). Contact [campmardela@gmail.com](mailto:campmardela@gmail.com) for the registration code or any other questions.

**Thank you for your continued prayers and support for camp and its ministry. It is greatly appreciated and we continue to see the fruit of Camp ministering in the lives of people.**

### **Wednesday, July 19 and August 16**



Vespers will be held on Wednesday evening, July 19 & August 16, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Places will be determined soon.

### **Church Picnic — July 4 12:30 p.m.**

Our first church picnic since COVID will be held on Tuesday, July 4 at 12:30 p.m. The picnic will be held at Pete Fox's barn,



12593 Old Skipton Road, Cordova, MD. Please bring a cover dish to share and your chair. Hope to see everyone there.

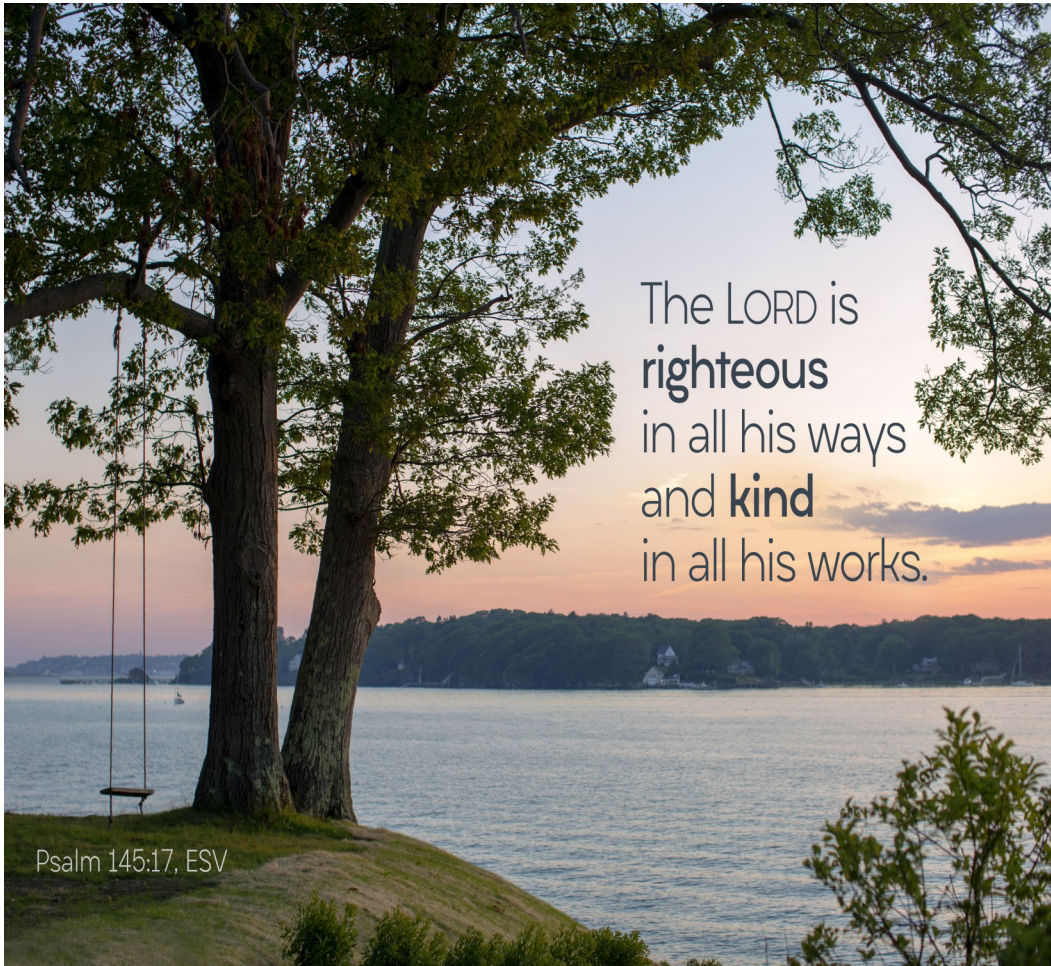
### **Daily reasons to celebrate**

Poor August, the only month without holidays! Still, there's lots to celebrate these final weeks of summer. Enjoy some summer flavors: August 1 is National Raspberry Cream Pie Day; August 2, National Ice Cream Sandwich Day; August 3, National Watermelon Day; August 10, National S'mores Day (have a bonfire!); and August 24 is National Peach Day.

If you share life with young kids, have a water balloon fight on — you guessed it — National Water Balloon Day, August 6! Head out for a final (National) Beach Day on August 30. Or head out for an intergenerational hike on National Trail Mix Day, August 31.

And don't forget to celebrate God's precious gifts of friends — National Friendship Day is the first Sunday in August; creation — Global Sleep Under the Stars Night is August 8 (prime time for meteor showers!); laughter — National Tell a Joke Day is August 16; and the opportunity to put God's love into action by serving others — on August 22, National Be an Angel Day, or August 28, National Thoughtful Day, and, for that matter, every day of the year — holiday or not.





The LORD is  
righteous  
in all his ways  
and kind  
in all his works.

Psalm 145:17, ESV

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