

Back to Corinth

After our reprieve from the Letter to Corinthians to consider worship in the 21st Century (as well as the issue of what it means to be a disciple answering the call to deny self, take up our own cross and follow Jesus during Lent) we are now ready to consider the rest of Paul's letter to a newly formed congregation struggling for with its cultural setting. **To reorient our discussion reread 1st Corinthians 1-10.**

Chapter 11: 1-16 begins a fresh topic about worship. (This discussion will run through chapter 14.)

Recall our sermon series on the nature of worship as you consider the following questions;

Who is the focus of worship?

When, where does one worship?

How does one worship?

Why do we worship?

What influences does culture have on the way we worship?

Read 1st Corinthians 11: 1-16

Verses 1-2; Paul asserts one more time his authority as the founder of the church. No one knew how to live as a Christian until Paul introduced them to Jesus. How important is the process of discipling new believers?

Verse 3; The word "head" almost never in Greek meant one who rules over another. It literally meant "source or origin of life." How does that affect your understanding of this theological statement? Agree or disagree with this principle of Creation?

(A reasoning from culture and shame 4-6)

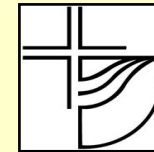
Verses 4-6; Paul has been addressing their participation in pagan culture, how does culture affect how we dress in public? At worship services? What is Paul's main concern regarding the culture within which the Corinthian church rests? How do missionaries today respect the various nuances of the culture within which their respective churches are planted? How do we in America have particular ways of respecting the male and female roles in relationships?

(A reasoning from Creation)

Verses 7-16; Sorry, we have done this several times the past few weeks, but we need to review Genesis 2 and John 1: 1-5 and the process of Creation. How is Paul using this foundational text in his discussion about how men and women relate? In what way does Paul suggest this influences the dress code of an external covering in Corinth? What if any does this impact worship?

Blueprint: American disciples discover ways to respect the unique roles of men and women from their cultural settings while understanding God's Creation flow of life.

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We welcome you today to enter into the fellowship we have with one another through Jesus Christ. During the worship service opening time of praise there is an opportunity to bring your tithes and offerings forward as an expression of worship and place them in the offering plates provided. We invite everyone to complete the communication card and place it in the offering plate also. In the narthex there is an offering plate for those who prefer to place their offering and communication card there.



April 1, 2018

Easter

Entering His Courts with Praise ...Be Grateful

Call To Worship

Singing "Alleluia, Alleluia" [Rom.6:5](#)

Offering "Christ The Lord Is Risen Today" [1Cor.15:55](#)

Children's Story

Karen Chronister

Celebrating the Finished Work of Christ ...Be Repentant

Special Music "He Arose"

Joyful Noise

Singing "Crown Him With Many Crowns" [Rev.4:10](#)

Seeking the Healing of Our Hearts ...Be Cleansed

Prayer

Empowering of the Word and Spirit ...Be Spirit Filled

Scripture 1 Corinthians 15: 12-26

Brooke Denlinger

Message Practicing The Resurrected Life

Pastor Jim

Sharing in the Body of Christ ...Be Committed

Singing "Thine Is The Glory" [Rom.8:31-39](#)

Hymnal 269

Praying for Ourselves and Others ...Be Prayerful

Prayer

Resting in the Presence of God ...Be Transformed

Singing "In Christ Alone" [1Pet.1:3-5](#)

Sent Out as Light and Salt

Pastoral Blessing

Singing "Jesus Is Alive"

Though bringing people to new birth in Christ through evangelism is essential, says Peterson. Isn't it obvious that *growth in Christ* is equally essential? Yet the American church does not treat Christian growth and character formation with equivalent urgency. We are generally uneasy with the quiet, obscure conditions in which growth takes place, and building maturity in Christ too often gets relegated to footnote status in the text of our lives.

In *Practice Resurrection* Peterson brings the voice of Scripture - especially Paul's letter to the Ephesians - and the voice of the contemporary Christian congregation together to unpack what it means to fully grow up -to the stature of Christ."

Peterson's robust discussion will move readers to restore transformed Christian character to the center of their lives.

Pastor: Jim Chronister

Ministers: Every member of the Church

Our Vision: Glorifying God through faithful Discipleship.

Brookville Church of the Brethren is a place where children are valued and safe. We provide classes and childcare for all ages. All persons who work with our children and youth are trained in our **Child Protection Policy** and must pass a background check. We ask that parents help by signing their children in and out at the **Welcome Center** whenever they attend. If you have questions or would like to see our written policy, please ask anyone in the children's department.



Prayer Points

Prayer requests received for this week:

Pastor Jim, Karen and Shannon; Montgomery's great granddaughter concern about a boy at school with mental issues; Family of Pam Oswald's Uncle Bill; Amber Barnhart; Carolyn's neighbors; Bruce Behnken; James Harrison his dad, brother, health aide and 12 yr. old; Christian missionary sentenced in Turkey for 35 years, charged as a terrorist; Aiden Chronister; Woody Locker; Virginia Jenkins; Tammy Meyer

Recovery & Ongoing issues:

Alexis Becker; Belinda Harrison; Gene Roeser; Jessi Green; John Locker; Kirt Chronister; Kohl Shafer; Marilyn Montgomery; Nellie Parks; Roger Janeway; Ruth Chronister; Steve Watern Family

Continue to pray for:

Difficult relationships with family members, friends, co-workers, etc.
Families mourning the loss of loved ones
Individuals living permanently in care centers
Our Nation – repent & turn to God – seek His will in all things
People facing spiritual battles/satanic attacks- for deliverance from addictions
Pres. Trump, VP Pence, political leaders & judges – for protection & wise decisions
Salvation for unsaved family and friends
School/Mass shootings – wisdom re: guns – allow prayer back in schools

Praying for Churches of the District:

Piqua

Birthday Prayer List:

Stephenie Cunningham, April 1

Attendance last Sunday, SS 29, Worship 94

Offering Last Week

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Special</u>	
Regular	2707.00	Scholarship Fund	150.00
Weekly Need	2859.00	Easter Flowers	31.50
Year to Date	3330.00		

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today!

Easter Sunrise Service, 7:00 A.M.
Breakfast, 8:00 A.M.
Prayer Service, 9:00 A.M.-9:30 A.M.
Sunday School, 9:30 A.M.
Worship, 10:35 A.M.

Mon.

Prison Ministry

Tues.

Wed.

Thurs.

Joyful Noise, 7:30 P.M.

Fri.

Sat.

Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7: 30 A.M.
Sewing Bee

Sun.

Small Groups

Every week folks gather to grow in their relationships with God, self and others. Below is a list of the leaders and meetings. Please feel free to consult with any one of them. The topic each week is found on page 4 with a Blueprint for growth as a follower of Jesus.



Tues. Study Group (Jeff Barnhart), at church, 7:00 PM
Wed. Study Group (Aaron Osswald); various places, 6:30 PM
Fri. Study Group (Chris Sievers); various places, 6:30 PM

THIS WEEK'S SERVANTS

Worship Leader
Becky Osswald

Greeters for April 1
Carolyn Studebaker and Terry Shafer
Greeters for April 8
Carolyn Studebaker and Linda Durst

Announcements and Activities

Inglenook Dessert will be coming out soon. The price is cheapest if we have 10 or more copies ordered. Sign-up sheet is on the Narthex window. Cost will be \$18 plus shipping if we have 10 copies sold. Sign up by April 1st!

Sewing Bee - Come sew school bags on Saturday, April 7 at 9:00 AM at Greenville COB, 421 Central Avenue. Bring your sewing machine, an extension cord, and a sack lunch. These bags will be used for CWS school kits. Come not only to sew, but for great fellowship too. For more information contact Barb Brower at 937-336-2442.

Thank you to everybody who helped out at the Gospel Mission yesterday. The next workday at the Gospel Mission will be on June 30, 2018.



Missy Buchanan presents **Go-Go Slow-Go No-Go** at the New Carlisle COB on April 13-14, 2018. This workshop explores the topics of aging and faith. What would spiritual formation for the Older Adults in our congregation be like for our present and future ministry? Registration papers are on the table in the Narthex.

Camp flyers for the 2018 season are on the window. Registration forms are on the table. If you have questions, see Charlene Foster.

The Church of the Brethren is helping Catholic Social Services with Refugee Resettlement. Twin and Full Size **Comforters** or Comforters Sets-new or gently used are needed. You may bring them to church. They will be taken to the drop off site.

The S. Ohio COB Dessert Auction was held on March 24 at Salem COB. A soup and salad supper was followed by the auction which raised \$4,200 for Brethren Disaster Ministries. These funds will help with the national and international response of rebuilding homes, caring for children through Children's Disaster Services, and providing assistance for our Nigerian brothers and sisters.

The **Adult Mental Health First Aid class** has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 5th at the New Carlisle COB. If you have questions or need a registration please see Charlene Foster.