

### Together on the Journey with your District Executive Minister . . .

Paul Mundey has shared that when Dr. David Bushman, President of Bridgewater College, hires a new employee, he says to them something to the effect, "Welcome. We're glad you're here. We feel like this is a great hire. Now we're turning over the hourglass." His point being that for this new employee, as for himself, there may be a longer or shorter time, but the person will have some limited, finite amount of time in that position. Just as there's a first day, there will come a last day. The clock is running, and to turn around a phrase in one of our favorite hymns, Natalie Sleeth's *In the bulb there is a flower,* No. 614, "In our beginning is our end."

Dr. Bushman presents a powerful reminder that we only have so much time – in our job, in relationships, in life itself. *Now we're turning over the hourglass.* 

Summer is here. Finally. Maybe. Thank God. It was a long winter. Maybe you'll have vacation time this summer. School's out; maybe you'll get to see more of the grandkids. Maybe you or your spouse is retiring. Maybe a summer job. Thirteen summer Sundays. And the list goes on. *Now we're turning over the hourglass*. What do you want to do with the time? What do you need to do with the time?

Now we're turning over the hourglass,

Gene

Gene Hagenberger



#### Meat Canning Project 2018 – Mid-Atlantic and Southern PA Districts

Photos by Richard Shaffer from 2016



Prepping the cans

796 cases total –
398 cases to each district

## 8 days in April 81 Volunteers (from Mid-Atlantic)



**Dumping Chicken** 

### 200 cases to Honduras ● 200 cases to Cuba

That's **53,120** pounds



Packed chicken can line

of chicken!



Wiping and putting cans in baskets

### Mid-Atlantic churches donated \$16,542.52



Putting labels on boxes



Baskets in the cooker

### Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction, May 5, 2018

Photos by Walt Wiltschek and Jo Ann Landon

Quilts ● Food ● Specialty Items ● Silent Auction ● Plants ● Pretzel Jars ● Books

White Elephant Table ● Baskets ● Crafts ● Share-A-Meal ● Outside Auction



105 quilted items









Just ate pie!



Thanks to you, over \$50,500 raised in one day



Mid-Atlantic District



Church of the Brethren

#### **Placement Update**

- Kevin King from Hanoverdale, Atl. NE to Lead Pastor, Frederick
- Tom Richard from Pastor, Meadow Branch to Pastor, Friendship
- Amy Bell to Interim, Meadow Branch
- Broadfording in negotiations
- · Columbia in negotiations
- Denton in negotiations
- Manassas Mandy North to Lead Pastor.

Chris Bowman has resigned from pastoral ministry at Manassas effective June 30.

#### **Openings & Transitions in Progress:**

Allensville, Arlington, Frederick 2<sup>nd</sup> staff, Meadow Branch, Midland, Myersville, Oakton, Ridgely, Sharpsburg, Thurmont, Union Bridge, Woodbridge

### **2018 District Directory Changes**

Don Forrester's correct email address is drdon1978@gmail.com



### From the District Moderator...

Jesus said "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Matthew 19:14

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 Design by Linda Lambert, Artist Kasia Caputo

Mark 9:37 Jesus says

"whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."

I am inviting, welcoming, calling all children to come to District Conference on Saturday, October 13, 2018 at the Church of the Brethren in Manassas, VA. There will be special children's ministry for ages 4–10. There will be junior high ministry. There will be toddler care as needed.

As I am calling all children, I am also challenging all parents and grandparents to provide a way for the children to come! Let's make this a family effort; together we are the family of God. Together we can learn and grow in spirit, soul and body.

Linda Lambert, Moderator

Parts of District Conference will be live-streamed on Facebook this year. Watch for more detail.





### 48<sup>th</sup>Annual Dunker Church Worship Service

Sunday, September 16 3 PM

This annual worship service will be held in the restored Dunker church at the Antietam National Battlefield, Sharpsburg, MD. This service commemorates the peace witness of the Brethren during the Civil War and takes place the Sunday closest to the 136th anniversary of the battle of Antietam.

Scott Holland will bring the message this year. Scott is the Slabaugh Professor of Theology & Culture and director of Peace Studies at Bethany Theological Seminary.

This annual service is sponsored by the Mid-Atlantic District and is open to the public.



# MAD COB NIGHT

### AT THE FREDERICK KEYS

Saturday, August 11 ● 6PM Game Time
Adults \$30 Children 3 - 14 \$27

INCLUDED!

- 2 Hour Buffet
- Our Own Section Behind Homeplate!
- FIREWORKS!!
- "Salute to the Orioles" Night

### Deadline for Ticket Payment - Monday, July 23

Contact the District Office

443-960-3052

aamad@brethren.org

Sponsored by MAD Youth Cabinet

Name _							
Address _							
Email		Phone					
□ Adult	Qty	□ Children	Qty				

Make check payable to and mail to: Mid-Atlantic District, Church of the Brethren 19 Bond St. ● Westminster, MD 21157

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### June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 LT, District Office, 9 am – 3:00 pm
3 Gene- Installation Service for Kevin King as Lead Pastor at Frederick	Gene-Meetings 8 am Arlington Noon Manassas 6:30 Leesburg	5	6 Gene- Afternoon meeting in Easton	Hagerstown 9 am	8 Funeral Service for Wallace Lusk, Locust Grove COB, 11 am	9
Gene-Licensing Service for Chris Mohler, Brownsville COB	Jo Ann, Admin. Assistant, Vacation through 6/17		13 Jo Ann, Vacation		15 Jo Ann, Vacation	16 S&CL Team, Bush Creek, 9 am
17	18 Gene Vacation Through 6/20		20 Gene, Vacation P&A on-site visit to Manassas COB, Office closed	July Journey Newsletter Deadline	22	23
Gene preaching at Manassas COB	25	26	27	28	29	30

KEY LT-Leadership Team
CCMT-Calling & Credentialing
MITT-Ministry Interviewing Task Team
CETT-Continuing Education

CEEMT-Church Extension and Evangelism F&P-Finance and Property OR&S-Outreach and Service S&CL-Spirituality and Congregational Life

LCT-Leadership Calling Team P&A-Programs and Arrangements

### **2018 Leadership Team Meeting Dates**August 4, November 17



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If not, please send a picture to the office, either as an email attachment or by mail.

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