

**First Brethren Church Colony**

**January 13, 2019**

COLLECTIVE GATHERING INTO GOD’S PRESENCE 9:30AM  
2<sup>nd</sup> Hour: M.O.R.E. / CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 10:45AM

**Welcome** Pastor Fred  
**Life in the Body & Ministry Moment** Food Pantry Pastor Fred  
**Call to Worship** “Hide Me in Your Holiness”  
**Opening Prayer** Brian McKee  
**Worship in Song** “At Calvary” Hymn #338  
“You are My King”  
**Scripture Reading** 2 Corinthians 2:1-11  
**Worship in Song** “O Church Arise”  
**Object Lesson** Brian McKee  
*(Nursery care is available for children after the lesson)*  
**Offering** “Doxology”  
**Worship in Meditation & Prayer** Pastor Fred  
**Message** “State of the Church: Sin & Forgiveness” Pastor Fred  
**Songs of Response** “Make Me a Blessing” Hymn #452  
**Song of Encouragement** “O Come to the Altar”  
**Prayer at the Cross** (Deacon/Deaconess: Glen & Angela Scott)  
**Postlude**

All Songs used by Permission CCLI #1719875

**Worship Leader:** Joshua Youngen **A/V Techs:** Chad, Todd, Maria  
**Music Team:** Joyce Trygg, John Bush, Jennifer Kary, Corinne Freel,  
Ernie Jewett, Brian & Tracy McKee, Janna, Joshua & Maria Youngen  
**Greeters:** Jeaniece Bumgardner & Sally Wagner / **Hostess:** Bev Wolf  
**Nursery: 9:30am** – Paula Freed / **10:45am** – Connie Wood

We are equipped with FM listening devices for the hearing impaired.  
LARGE PRINT BIBLES, BULLETINS, & HYMNALS are available.  
Braille bulletins and song sheets are also available upon request.  
Please ask an usher for these items.

**PLEASE RECORD YOUR ATTENDANCE ON THE RESPONSE  
TAB AND PLACE IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE! THANK YOU!**

**WELCOME GUESTS! We are glad you’re here.**

- Please sign the guest registry at the center doors.
- If you are a first time visitor, please stop by the Information Station and pick up a gift bag. Thank you for worshipping with us!
- If there is anything that we can do to help make your time with us more enjoyable, please let us know. God bless you!

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

*Office hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9am-3pm*

**TODAY:** 9:30am Worship Service  
10:45am Fellowship time & Second Hour Education  
12:00pm Men’s Choir Rehearsal  
**Monday:** 6:30pm Board of Christian Education Meeting  
**Wednesday:** 10:00am Bible Study: Life of Christ  
11:00am P.A.C.E. (pray/acknowledge/care/encourage)  
**Friday:** 10:00am Food Pantry Ministry  
**Sunday:** 9:30am Worship Service  
10:45am Fellowship time & Second Hour Education  
12:00pm Board of Deacons Meeting

**DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES** are being offered again this new year. “Beginning the Journey” classes are available Sunday afternoons and Tuesday evenings. “Outrageous Love” book study is available Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday evening. If you are interested in being involved, please mark the Response Tab. If you have questions, please see Jan Kary.

**FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS** – We are blessed to offer a Food Pantry to our church family and our local community on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of the month from 10:00am-12:00pm. If you would like to volunteer your time to be part of this ministry, please mark the Response Tab. You would be placed on a rotating schedule so you may only have to serve every other month. If you have any questions, please see Sherrie Benko or Janna. Thank you for your support of this ministry. Food donations are always welcome and appreciated.

**YOU ARE INVITED** to Kern Road Mennonite Church on Saturday, January 19 at 7pm for a time of light-hearted grace-filled humor. Comedian, theologian ad playwright Ted Swartz will be perform “The Big Story”, a one-hour performance bringing biblical characters to life in unexpected and entertaining ways. The cost is \$10 for individuals, \$7 for students and \$25 for the whole family.

**Response Tab**

**DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES**

I am interested in:

**“Beginning the Journey”**

\_\_\_\_\_ - Sunday afternoon  
\_\_\_\_\_ - Tuesday evening

**“Outrageous Love”**

\_\_\_\_\_ - Tuesday afternoon  
\_\_\_\_\_ - Wednesday evening

**FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS**

I am willing to help with the Food Pantry:

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*Hide me Lord,  
In Your Holiness,  
Every sin I now confess.  
Praise to You,  
Forgiving Lord,  
Hide me in Your Holiness,  
Hide me in Your Holiness.*

Please complete, detach, & place in the offering plate. Guests please bring it to the Information Station for a gift. Thanks!

*Registration for Guests*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_ Student \_\_\_ 19-25 \_\_\_ 26-35  
\_\_\_ 36-50 \_\_\_ 51-65 \_\_\_ 65+

- I am a first time guest
- I have been here before
- I desire a visit from the Pastor
- I wish help in becoming a Christian
- I am interested in learning more about the church.
- Place me on the mailing list.

*Church Family Registration*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Note change of address

I desire a visit

Prayer Request – Information

\_\_\_\_\_ for publication & prayer chain \_\_\_  
private request \_\_\_\_\_

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**MINISTRY:** Glen Scott, Camp Shipshewana, Pastor Emy – Romania,

**HEALTH CARE FACILITIES / SHUT-INS:** Nancy Hollister, Connie Keigley, Chuck & Pauline Lambert, Shirley Lynas, Betty Vervaet

**HOSPITAL / REHAB:** Amy Riley (West Bend Rehab) – foot healing

**HEALTH CONCERNS:** Charlotte Meller – knee surgery recovery 12/26  
Debbie Pfender – broken foot, ankle, Patti Barnhart – bronchial infection  
Kurt Schafer – serious health concerns, Arthur Barry – health,  
Dave Lung (Dennis Wood’s cousin) – bone cancer, Carl Cox – knee pain,  
Randy Freed – stem cell transplant recovery, Bob Smith – lymphoma,  
Edward Cox (Carl Cox’s brother) – stage 4 liver cancer,  
Sandy Gawenda – health concerns, Sandy Lehman – foot & eyes,  
Andrea Gratrix (Bush’s daughter) – health concerns w/new meds;  
Rick Weller (Angela’s brother) – bouts of severe abdominal pain,  
Keith Mitchelen (Connie Wood’s brother) – cancer progressing,  
Nick Stevenson (Kary’s son-in-law) – health concerns,  
Erin Arnett (Sandy Sherrod’s daughter) – knee replacement recovery,  
Tracy Fudua (from Palmer’s Funeral Home) – esophageal surgery 1/8,

**PRAYING FOR MY NEIGHBORS: !!!**

*Please continue praying for your neighbors as our 162 Day challenge from Pastor Fred is down to 98 days until Resurrection Sunday. We want to reach the whole world with the good news of Jesus Christ and what better way than to start with our own neighbors?!*

**SUNDAY STATS - January 6, 2019**

Worship Service	- 78	General Fund Offering	\$2941.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Hour M.O.R.E	- 54	Faith Promise	\$ 260.00
Midweek Activities	- 29	Building Fund	\$ 380.00
		<b>Budget Need per week</b>	<b>\$3065.25</b>

**FUTURE EVENTS**

January 26, 8:00am Men’s Prayer Breakfast (Date Change)  
 January 27, 10:45am Spiritual Gifts Inventory  
 January 28, 6:30pm Board of Directors’ Meeting

**Memory Verse – Romans 3:23 (ESV)**

“for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

**BRETHREN RETREAT CENTER** is having a fundraiser at Hacienda on Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at the *Mishawaka location on Lincoln Way West*. Coupons are available on the Information Station. 20% of all sales will be donated to BRC. You can also order Gift Cards if you are interested. That sheet is also on the Information Station. Thank you for your support.



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Pastor Fred Youngen

**The Purpose of First Brethren Church is:**

- To know the love of Jesus Christ**
- To grow in the love of Jesus Christ**
- To show the love of Jesus Christ**

## SERMON NOTES

Introduction: **BIBLICAL FORGIVENESS & SIN**

### I. What is Sin Against God?

- A. Sin is lawlessness I John 3:4
- B. Sin is falling short of the glory of God Romans 3:23
- C. Sin is rebellion against God Ex 20:3-7, Is 1:2
- D. Sin is unbelief; it makes God a Liar 1 John 5:10
- E. Sin is going your own way, without seeking God Isaiah 53:6
- F. Sin is All unrighteousness Rm 3:10, 1 Jn 5:17
- G. Sin is not doing what is Good James 4:17

### II. What is Forgiveness by God?

- A. Sin Forgiven for Salvation Rom 4:7-8, 10:9-13, Col 1:14
- B. Sin Forgiven in Sanctification I John 1:9, Ps 51, I John 2:1

### III. What is Sin against People?

- A. Sins in the area of injustice Ex 20:15, 17; Dt 5:19, 21
- B. Sins in the area of God's gift of life Dt 5:17, Ex 20:13
- C. Sins in the area of speech Ex 20:16; Deut 5:20
- D. Sins in the area of sexuality Ex 20:14, 17; Deut 5:18, 21
- E. Sins with various consequences
  - 1. "the one ... has the greater sin." John 19:11
  - 2. "sins ... were more abominable" Ezek 8:6, 16:51-52
  - 3. "greater condemnation." Mt 23:14, Lk 20:46-47
  - 4. "weightier matters of the law" Mt 23:23
  - 5. "teachers... shall receive a stricter judgment." James 3:1
  - 6. "speck and plank" [Mt 7:3](#)
  - 7. "6 things the Lord hates, 7 an abomination" Pro 6:17-19
  - 8. Judgement greater on some [Mt 11:23-24](#)
  - 9. degrees of punishment upon Jesus' return Lk 12:47-48
  - 10. Greater Commandments Mt 5:19, 23:23, Mk 12:28-34



### IV. What is Biblical Forgiveness from people to people?

- A. What forgiveness is NOT...
  - 1. It is not forgetting the offense Psalm 103:12, Col 3:13
  - 2. It is not tolerating sin Luke 17:3-4
  - 3. It is not denying our pain or theirs Luke 23:34
  - 4. It is not a feeling, but a volitional act Mt 26:28
  - 5. It is not easy Luke 17:4
- B. What forgiveness is...
  - 1. It is Forgiving others First **Mt 6:12**, Lk 6:37, Mk 11:25
  - 2. It is agreeing to live with consequences 1 Cor 13:5
  - 3. It is a Command Matthew 6:14-15, 18:21-35
  - 4. It is to be Unlimited Mt 18:22, Luke 17:3
  - 5. It is to be from the Heart Mt 18:35, Rom 15:7, Col 3:13
  - 6. It is letting God be the avenger Romans 12:19-21
  - 7. It is Reconciliation Mt 5:23

### V. What is Biblical Forgiveness for and by the Church?

- A. It's NOT about
  - 1. Personality
  - 2. Perception
  - 3. Protection
  - 4. Preferences
  - 5. Philosophy
  - 6. Pride
- B. It IS about
  - 1. Pardon - Col 3:13, Mt 6:14-15, Eph 4:32, Ps 103:12
  - 2. Prayer - 1 Thess 5:17, James 5:16,
  - 3. Persistence - Lk 17:3-4, Mt 18:22
  - 4. Participation/Progress - Heb 10:25, Mt 18:15, Jm 5:19
  - 5. Proper Procedure - Mt 18, Rom 13, 2 Tim 3, Titus 3
  - 6. Praise - Romans 15:5

Conclusion:

2 Corinthians 2:5-11, Eph 6:12

