

The Hollowell Community Answer to Social Media

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In touch with the people we know, sharing our faith and focusing together on heaven's promise

SnapYak (Heard the news?)

Congratulations to **Ben & Brianna** (nee Burger) **Beard**, who were married on July 26th here at Hollowell.

Congratulations to **Dwayne and Dawn Blank** who welcomed Vivian into their family on June 17th.

Congratulations to **Jonah and Emily Burke** on the safe arrival of Josephine on July 8th.

Condolences to **Pastor Brian and Krista Kelley** on the passing of her grandfather, Richard Anthony.

Condolences to **Alli and Josiah Lougheed** on the passing of her grandmother, Dorothy Rice.

Congratulations to **Maddie Bemisderfer** on achieving recognition as Salutatorian of the Greencastle Antrim High School Class of 2020!

InstaGrace (How can I help?)

Children's Ministry – Interested in working with our Kids Klub or on Sunday mornings teaching or helping with Sunday School, Pre-school or Nursery? Get in touch with Pastor Heather. Background checks will be required so start the procedure today!

Greeters and Ushers – We are always looking for help in our welcome ministries. Speak to Pastor Carrie about how you can get connected and help others to do the same.

Chair Teams – Because our facility is multipurpose, we have to set up chairs in our Worship Center. We have four chair teams and we are always looking for help. Please speak to Pastor Kelsey if you are interested.

Meals to the Sick – Make it practical! When someone is sick or in hospital, or perhaps just getting home from having a baby, we like to help out. If you are interested in taking a meal to someone in need, please speak to Dee Martin as our coordinator.

Small Group Ministry – Willing to lead a Bible Study or small group? Or perhaps host one at your home? Speak to Pastor Carrie and let her know!

Church Grounds Ministry – One of the reasons that our facility grounds look as wonderful as they do, is because many hands make light work! Interested in taking on a portion of our gardens as an opportunity to give back to the Lord? Speak to Jeff Ritz.

Praise Team and Music Ministry – Interested in being a part of our music ministry? To audition for involvement, speak to Pastor Kelsey.

WhatsUpp (Coming Events Calendar)

October 4th Return to inside services at 10:00 a.m.

October 10th Tailgate/Bonfire Church Party

October 30th to November 1st Youth Retreat at Kenbrook Camp

November 14th Missions Team Training Day

November 29th Communion and Baptism

BIC Talk (Denominational News)

By Pastor Blaine Lougheed

Our pastors are licensed and ordained by the Brethren in Christ denomination. And while that sounds a little old fashioned, we are not. You can see that by the way that we are dressed (not in military collar and with capes and bonnets) and by the way we worship (contemporary songs and technology). We also believe that women can be leaders in the local church and at the denominational level in every way that a man may be. We have female deacons and administrative board members at a local level. We have licensed and ordained ministers, both female and male. We have even had a female bishop, though we do not currently have any serving in that role today. The terminology we use, is egalitarian leadership.

The Brethren in Christ also have spiritual roots in three movements. Perhaps it is better expressed in the metaphor of three merging streams. **Anabaptism**, that causes us to cherish our Mennonite roots. This provides a strong focus upon both community and non-conformity (also known as "peace"). We believe in being separate or distinct from the world around us, without allegiances to political parties, ethnic distinctions or nationalities. That is because our primary allegiance is to Christ and his kingdom.

The second movement is known as **Pietism**. German in origin, this development very quickly spread to impact existing European and North American reformed movements, bringing social reform. Like-minded, Christ focused alliances started orphanages, hospitals, schools, etc. And the Pietists became widely known for their deep spiritual lives, through the study of the Bible and focus upon personal relationship with Christ.

Finally, the movement known as **Wesleyanism** is the third merging stream that created the unique character of the Brethren in Christ. John Wesley and his followers established an alternative denomination known as Methodists, but his life and their ministry through small groups (known as conventicles), and their focus upon the work of the Holy Spirit (gifts and graces), provided a dramatic shaping of the Brethren in Christ denomination.

Evangelicalism in the 1950's brought about a cooperation with other like-minded churches in North America. We shared a passion to reach our communities with the message of the Gospel and embraced the movement. Unfortunately, Evangelicalism today has become primarily identified with a group of politically right leaning organizations and individuals focusing less on the message of Jesus, and more on their desire to gain a seat at the political table. Such is entirely inconsistent with the message of Jesus in Scripture. It also flies in the face of our spiritual heritage and threatens to divert or swallow up the other three streams that have created the Brethren in Christ. We assert that we are first and foremost, followers of Jesus.

Pastor Blaine Lougheed has served as the Secretary for the BICUS Commission on Ministry and Doctrine since 2010

GRACE DELINEATION

The "One Another" Principle



What is it that sets us apart from others in the world around us? There are lots of people around the who profess to worship someone greater than themselves. They go to church, synagogue, mosque or temple in order to demonstrate that fact. So what is it that sets Christians apart from others in our world?

Jesus defined it this way – "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another" (John 13:25).

The clearest delineation between the followers of Jesus and the rest of the world, is to be found in the way that we treat one another.

This Fall, join us on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. for *THE ONE ANOTHER PRINCIPLE;* the Grace Delineation. Ways the Bible says that we can practically express the difference God has made in our lives ... by the way we treat one another.



Simply calling yourself a Christian, doesn't make you one. Only real evidence will demand a verdict. The lack of evidence has already provided one.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday morning ministry is unfortunately on temporary hold because of the Corona Virus. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Wednesday night ministry from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. is currently offered for children in primary and elementary school (K-5). Children are required to wear masks due to the Corona Virus.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Young people in middle and high school, meet on Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. During this current crisis, much of the time is spent in small group ministry.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

Our small groups meet throughout the week. We offer both virtual and in person small groups. Our focus this quarter is on "The One Another Principle". Groups are limited to just 12 people and meet every other week. Church groups will be meeting in the Chapel.

Sunday 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Virtual Group with Pastors Carrie and Heather

Sunday 9:00 – 9:45 a.m. At church with Wally and Jill Thompson

Sunday 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. At church with Bill and Ruth Shilling

Tuesday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. At church with Pastor Blaine

Thursday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. At church with Susan Milford

Call or text Pastor Carrie to sign up.

MEN'S MINISTRY

We offer a Wednesday night Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. for men. We also meet for breakfast on the first Thursday of the month.

SENIORS' MINISTRY

Our Seniors' ministry for those ages 55 and older is currently not meeting during the Corona Virus outbreak. Normally, we meet once a month for special activities, meals and fellowship.

CONNECTION OPPORTUNITIES

Tailgate/Ultimate Frisbee/Campfire - Starts at 4:30 p.m. on October 10th. S'mores will be individually wrapped and provided. Bring your own grill and food for the tailgate!

Hollowell Church

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