# Pastor's memo

NORTHERN OHIO DISTRICT CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN-NOVEMBER 2017

#### Central Area Pastor's Meeting November 8, 8:00 a.m. Breakfast at Tim Horton's, Ashland, OH

Attention Central Area clergy of the Northern Ohio District: You are cordially invited to join your fellow brothers and sisters in the ministry for breakfast and fellowship November 8, 8:00 a.m. at Tim Horton's (conference room) in Ashland. We plan to have a meal/gathering each month for Central Area clergy. Please contact Vaughn Loose, Pastor Mansfield CoB, at 814-312-2752 for more information.

### 2018 Clergy-Spouse Retreat

Our District Clergy-Spouse retreat will be held February 18th-20th at the Holiday Inn French Quarter in Perrysburg (Toledo area). This is a time for relationship-building, renewal, learning, and rest. The food and facilities are great, but the fellowship is even greater! Andy and Laura Hamilton will provided leadership for this event.

Dr. Laura Hamilton is Co-Founder and Director of Tender Shepherd: A Ministry of Soul Care. She holds a Master of Arts in Clinical Pastoral Counseling through Ashland Theological Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry in Formational Counseling also through Ashland Theological Seminary. Andrew Hamilton is Co-Founder of Tender Shepherd: A Ministry of Soul Care. He is an ordained Pastor in the Church of the Brethren serving at Stevens Hill Community Church of the Brethren. He holds a Master of Divinity through Ashland Seminary in Ashland Ohio and a Master of Philosophy from the University of St. Andrews, Scotland.

Single and married clergy and their spouses are encouraged to attend. More information will be mailed out to clergy later this month.

#### Mark Your Calendar

11/11—District Board Meeting, Bristolville CoB, Bristolville, OH

11/17—Young Adult Progressive Dinner, See Flyer for Locations

11/18—Buckeye Brethren Institute, Teaching and Learning in the Church, District Office, Ashland, OH

12/1-2—Sr. High Winter Fest, Inspiration Hills, Burbank, OH

12/8-9—Jr. High Winter Rally, New Philadelphia CoB, New Philadelphia, OH

12/9—Central Committee Meeting, District Office, Ashland, OH

1/6/18—Youth Leader Training, District Office, Ashland, OH

## Prayer Calendar

#### October 29—November 4

Sugarcreek East CoB (Pastor Dick Marshall) and Swan Creek CoB (Pastor Dick Neuwirth)

#### November 5—November 11

Woodworth CoB (Interim John Polanski) and Zion Hill CoB (Pastor Jason Harsh)

#### November 12—November 18

Adrian CoB (Pastor David Morton) and Akron Eastwood CoB (Pastor Paul Bozman)

#### November 19—November 25

Akron First CoB (Pastor Tobin Crenshaw) and Akron Springfield CoB (Pastor Alan Brumbaugh)

#### November 26—December 2

Ashland Dickey CoB (Pastor Tom Zuercher) and Ashland First CoB (Pastor Tina Hunt)



# **Pastoral Placement**

#### **Congregations actively in the search process:**

Ashland Dickey – *Tom Zuercher* retiring in August 2018. Congregational profile complete. Search Committee to start reviewing pastoral profiles.

**Brook Park** – *Tom Michaels* serving as interim. Profile completed. Search Committee interviewing.

**East Nimishillen** – *Carolyn Kuryn serving as* interim. Profile complete.

**Pleasant View** – *Dr. Byron Hawbecker* serving as interim. Search Committee reviewing profiles.

#### **Congregations that have completed the process:**

**Eden** – *Wayne Scott* commissioned and installed as Pastor October  $29^{\text{th}}$ .

Congregations that have chosen not to seek at this time:

Bethel – *David Wyant* serving as interim.

Dupont - Steve Heilshorn serving as interim.

Lake Breeze – *James Washington* serving as interim.

Lakewood – Gene Wyse serving as interim.

Maple Grove - John Ballinger serving as interim.

Woodworth – John Polanski serving as interim.

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# **District Office Hours**

District Executive Kris Hawk takes Wednesday as her day off. Kris will be out of the office November 5-9th attending the "Clergy Clinic in Family Process" through the Lombard Mennonite Peace Academy in Chicago. She will return emails and phone calls throughout those days as time is available. For immediate assistance, please contact the District Office.

She can be reached at 330-612-2086 or krishawk@nohcob.org

Administrative Secretary, Julie Watson is in the office Monday through Friday, 9 am—3 pm. She can be reached at 419-281-3058 or <u>julie@nohcob.org</u>

Youth Coordinator, Esther Harsh is in the office on Mondays. She can be reached at 330-880-7161 or <u>esther@nohcob.org</u>

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Young Adult Progressive Dinner

Ventures Course to Focus on Welcoming Transformation

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Youth Leadership Series #2

Northern Ohio District Conference August 3-4, 2018 Dupont Church of the Brethren "The Good Life" Life More Abundant John 10:9-11