

1 **The Various Brethren**

2 **The Church of the Brethren**

- Also known as Dunkards and German Baptists
- Began as a movement of German Pietists under the leadership of Alexander Mack
- Mack led the Brethren to Pennsylvania in the 1720s

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- Developments among the Brethren have paralleled developments among Mennonites.
 - A progressive group (the Brethren Church) and a conservative group (the Old Order German Baptist Brethren) divided from the main body of Brethren in the 1800s.
 - In the 1900s the Brethren has had no major divisions, although a group within the church called the Brethren Revival Fellowship represents conservative Brethren.

4 **Brethren Distinctives**

- Triune immersion
- "No creed but the New Testament"

5 **The Brethren in Christ**

- Began as a Pietistic revival in Pennsylvania in the late 1700s
- Known as the River Brethren
- Division in the 1800s produced the Old Order River Brethren