

Our Mission

-A family of God growing in Christ, empowered to serve -

**Worship
December 9, 2018
8:30 a.m.**

The 2nd Sunday in Advent

*I'm bursting with God-news;
I'm dancing the song of my Savior God.
God took one look at me and look what happened –
I'm the most fortunate person on earth!
What God has done for me will never be forgotten...
His mercy flows in wave after wave
on those who are in awe before him.* Luke 1:46-50 MSG

All I Want For Christmas

Gathering

Informal Moments for Sharing

Prelude *Away in a Manger* arr. D. C. Isele

The Word Luke 1:26-38 The VOICE

Lighting the Candle of *Purpose* Brian and Lori Stoner

*Congregational Singing
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus #176
Hark! the Herald Angels Sing #192

Please be seated

Video *Family Feud*

Our Survey Said...

Prayer

Anthem *Christmas is Coming* by Joel Raney
Hand Bell and Chancel Choirs

Invitation

Offering
(Please print your name on the attendance register. If you are a guest, please include your address and/or telephone number.)

Offertory *O Little Town of Bethlehem* arr. R.
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*Response *What Child Is This* #198

*Prayer of Dedication

Advent Meditation *A Reason for Living* Pastor Joel

Prayer

*Carol *Mary, Did You Know?* #209

*Blessing

*Postlude *We Are Here in the Town* arr. W. I. Nevins

Greeters Robert and Janet Deardorff
Judy Witter

Ushers Robert Deardorff, Terry Rodgers
Richard Shreiner and Robert Witter

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:
Worship Leadership Renee Preso
Music Leadership Elizabeth Thorpe
Organist Pamela Wert

PERK Worship

10:45am

Praise God through song and dance for he is worthy of our praise!

*Psalm 150:1-2, 6
Praise the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens...Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.*

Engage in worship through different styles of prayer, skits, videos, and offering.

*Matthew 7:7-8
Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock and it will be opened to you.*

Reflect on the living Word and how it speaks to your life.

*Psalm 119:105
Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.*

Koinonia: Spend time in community with fellow believers.

*Romans 12:4-5
For as in one body we have many members and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.*

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:
Music Leaders Praise Team
Greeters/Ushers Travis and Jamie Rhodes

Schedule of Events and Activities

Today, December 9
Childcare is available for infants thru age 3 in the Crib Room during the 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. worship services.

9:30 a.m. - Advent Small Group/Bible Study - In keeping with our 2018 theme, *All I Want For Christmas*, Pastor Joel will lead a small group/Bible study today in the Sanctuary. If you are not currently in a class, this would be a great, short-term commitment for you. Come, bring your bible and a friend along!

5:30 p.m. - Searchers Class Christmas Celebration at the home of John and Margie Diller.

Monday, December 10
6:30 p.m. – Pickleball – BLC
6:30 p.m. – Church Board Meeting - CR

Tuesday, December 11

6:00 p.m. – Helping Hand Circle Christmas Party @ Margie Diller’s
7:00 p.m. – Missions & Service Commission Meeting - CR

Wednesday, December 12

8:30 a.m. – Pickleball – BLC
6:00 p.m. – Revolution
6:00 p.m. – Handbell Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 13

12 Noon – Loving Hearts Christmas Celebration - BLC
1:00 p.m. – Table Games – BH
6:30 p.m. – KidNecton – BLC
7:00 p.m. – Believers Class Prayer Group – BH

Friday, December 14 & Saturday, December 15

11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Red Kettle Bell Ringing – Sunnyway

Please take Note

2018 Advent Devotionals published by Brethren Press entitled **“Wait And Hope”** are available in the Narthex and BLC Lobby. There are a limited number of large print available also. Enjoy!

Church Board will meet on Monday, December 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Missions & Service Commission will meet on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

The Helping Hand Circle Christmas Party will be held on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Margie Diller. Bring a finger food to share and a gift.

KidNecton: For Children in Pre-K (age 4) thru 5th grade. Come and join us on **Thursday, December 13th** and will continue every 2nd Thursday of the month. We will be meeting in the BLC for Worship, Bible Story, Games and a Craft!!

Loving Hearts....join us for our Christmas Celebration on Thursday, December 13th at 12 noon in the Brethren Life Center. Lunch is being catered by Hickory Ridge Restaurant. We will be singing Christmas Carols, reading the Christmas Story from the Bible and a gift exchange. Please bring a Christmas item around \$10 for your gift. Please RSVP to Vivian Fisher at 717-809-0521 or Vonnie Black at 717-263-3975 by December 10th.

Back by popular demand....Missions and Service Commission is sponsoring an opportunity to serve and share with the Salvation Army. Our congregation will again ring the bell for the Red Kettle Project at the Chambersburg Sunnyway on Friday and Saturday, December 14th and December 15th from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex and sign-up for an hour.

2019 Flower Chart – A New Flower Chart is posted in the narthex for altar flowers for 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. worship. Altar arrangements are \$30.00.

Christmas Eve Service

will begin at 6:30 p.m. with pre-service music in our sanctuary, followed by a family-friendly traditional candlelight service at 7:00.

Our Christmas Eve service will be a family-friendly service, filled with carols and special music, a children’s story, the preaching of God’s Word, Holy Communion and, of course, the traditional candle lighting. Plan to bring your friends and family to celebrate the birth of Jesus together.

Message: *What Does God Want for Christmas?*

S.O.N. - Your continued support of donations for Serving Our Neighbors deserves a THANK YOU! It has been a great success throughout the year as we have collected and gave out many items at our monthly Mid-Week program. During December and January, we will be collecting: hats, gloves/mittens and scarves for men, women and children. These donations will be given out at both January and February Mid-Week nights.

The Towne Singers Present...The Sound Of The Season on Saturday, December 15, 2018, 7:00 p.m. at Messiah United Methodist Church, 30 South Penn Street, Shippensburg and on Sunday, December 16, 2018, 3:00 p.m. at Falling Waters Presbyterian Church, 2928 Hammonds Mill Rd., Hedgesville, WV.

Church Weather Related Closings - If you would like to be notified by phone of Sunday morning weather cancellations, you are invited to sign up for this service. Calls should arrive between 6:30 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. Sign up forms are available in the BLC Lobby area and Narthex. You can still check the church’s website at www.chambcob.org or call and check for a message on the church’s answering machine. If you need to update contact information, please use this form to do so. If you have previously signed up, you do not need to resubmit. If you wish to be taken off the call list, please notify the office.

Church Closing Schedule – December – Judy Witter;
January – Terry Gibbons

December 2, 2018
U.B. = Unified Budget)
Worship – 182 Sunday School – 94

Senior Pastor: Joel Nogle
Minister of Music and Congregational Life: Elizabeth Thorpe
Director of Christian Ed and Youth: Jamie Rhodes
Administrative Assistant: Carol Wingert
*Sunday Worship – 8:30 AM *PERK – 10:45 AM*
Sunday School – 9:35 AM
Office Hours 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM - Monday – Friday – Lunch 12:30 – 1:00 p.m.
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