

Summit Church of the Brethren
Third Sunday of Advent
December 15, 2024

Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM
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“The LORD is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.” – Isaiah 12:2

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP – Reading on Monitors

*HYMN: *"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"* #201 B

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

Acolyte: Grady Morris
Readers: Morris Family

SPECIAL MUSIC – *"Mary, Did You Know?"* Jolene Farrar

PRESENTING OUR OFFERINGS

Invitation to Give – Isaiah 61:10-11
Offertory
Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

CHILDREN'S STORY Fred Shank

*HYMN: *"O Little Town of Bethlehem"* #191 B

MESSAGE: "Jesus Gives Life"
John 1:10-13

*HYMN: *"What Child is This"* #215 B

*BENEDICTION – Zephaniah 3:14-17

*POSTLUDE

*Indicates standing for those who are able.

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Welcome to all who have come to worship our Lord! We ask our visitors to fill out a visitor card found in the back of the pew and place it in the offering plate. Also, please use these cards for prayer requests.

SERVING TODAY **NEXT WEEK**

Organist: Cindy Farrish.....Judy Stoddard
Pianist: Brenda Showalter.....Cindy Farrish
Greeter Today: Judy Stoddard
Greeter Next Sunday: Nancy Farmer
Nursery: Jessie & Sandy.....Jessie & Sandy
Offering Counter: Greg & Jolene.....Clooney & Marilyn
Altar: Advent.....Advent

Deacon of the Month: Don & Sandy Knicely

PRAYER LIST: Orlando Bergdoll, Carol Bercher, Martin Cline, Betty Cramer, Midge Craun, Roger Eutsler, Mylinda Howard, the situation in Israel, Greg and Kim Meadows, Margaret Monk, Chad Pettit, Wilma Fifer Ryman, Buck and Barb Schuckman, Charles Schultz, John Senger, Ellen Shank, Marilyn Wright Shoemaker, Sandra Shull, Lynn Slaven and Carey Twyman.

Happy Birthday to Anita Shank and Cindy Farrish!

Bible Study will be held on Thursday at 7 pm in the library.

Kingdom Kids will have a Christmas party on Saturday from 10:00 until 11:30. Please join us for a fun morning of learning more about Jesus and celebrating His birth!

Christmas Eve Service will be held at 7 pm on Tuesday, December 24th. Please join us as we celebrate the night of Jesus' birth!

Gifts for the Operation Santa Project for Western State Hospital patients are due today. Donations can be placed in the box under the coat rack in the vestibule. Items need to be new and unwrapped. Thank you for giving!

Thank you to all who have taken tags for gifts for Bridgewater Home Assisted Living residents. Please wrap the gift and attach the card to the outside of the package. Gifts are due next Sunday. Thanks for helping the BRC residents have a Merry Christmas!

The **Christmas Card Box** is in the narthex and we encourage you to use it to exchange Christmas cards with others who attend Summit. If you would like to send a card to someone who is not currently attending, we ask that you send it to them in the mail.

A signup sheet for greeters for the months of January through March is on the bulletin board. Please sign up today!

There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board for anyone who would be willing to provide a children's story on an upcoming Sunday. We appreciate all who are willing to help!

Summit Directory: It is that time of year again. I will be doing updates to the Summit directory and if you have changed addresses, phone numbers, emails, etc., please let Brenda Showalter or I know. My phone number is 540 237 4897 or email is slschuckman@aol.com. Any committee or commission that has changes, please let me know. Thanks for your assistance. – Susan Schuckman

Nursery volunteers are needed for 2025. Please use the pink sheet on the bulletin board outside of Pastor Tim's office to sign up for a month or months you are willing to provide nursery coverage during worship. For 2025, we are asking for two volunteers each month and ask that the two of you work out nursery coverage during your month. Thank you! If you have questions, see Anita Shank.

In addition to the poinsettias listed on the insert, one has been given in memory of Roy & Lena Wright by Peggy Walker and another has been given in memory of Richard Wright by Peggy Walker and Audrey Wright.

New address for Lynn Slaven:
Bridgewater Retirement Community
302 N. Second Street
Wellness House, Room 287-A
Bridgewater, VA 22812

Offering for December 8th:

Regular:	\$2,441.05
Use of BBQ Pit:	<u>\$ 150</u>
Total:	\$2,591.05

Weekly amount needed to make budget: \$2,885

Bulletin information can be given to Pastor Tim at 540-828-6262 or you can email tcraver01@gmail.com. Please have information to him by Friday morning.