

First Church of the Brethren

Roaring Spring, PA

December 29, 2024

Merry Christmas — yes, still!
As the church continues to celebrate Christ's birth, I invite you to bask in the goodness of God. Welcome!

Community Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Enter the Light of Christ

Call to Worship

Lois Lynn

One: We gather this morning ready to listen.

All: Open our ears, Lord.

One: We gather this morning ready to learn.

All: Open our minds, Lord.

One: We gather this morning ready to love.

All: Open our hearts, Lord.

One: We gather this morning ready to worship.

All: Open our spirits to receive you, Lord.

We gather to praise the Lord Almighty.

Praise Through Video

Days of Elijah

Children's Story

Gary Wineland

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Congregational Prayer

*Hymn # 124

O Worship the Lord

Offertory Thought

Offertory

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

Scripture

Colossians 3:12-17

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David A. Crumrine

And Whatever You Do...

*Closing Hymn # 106

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

Bold print indicates congregational response.

Some parts of this service were adapted from The Abingdon Worship Annual.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Friendship Attendance Register located on each pew, including any **changes** of information. **New attenders** are encouraged to share their information when they are comfortable with doing so.

Sunday School will not be held today.

Please include in your prayers: Tom & Janis Thompson, Barry Griffith, Paul Unger, Joyce Mock, Gary & Connie Fluke, Jim Hoover, Joe & Bobbi Price, Bill & Carolyn Grubb, Ramon Burket, Tommy Smith, Dan & Carol Emerick, Barbara Roush, Betty Estep, Fred Beers, Chuck Kuntz, Carol Imler, Eric Thompson, Dorothy Holsinger, Bonnie Butler, Audrey Smith, Sharlene Wood, first responders, Camp Blue Diamond, those affected by natural disasters, our church family.

A 2024 Gifts & Talents Survey is located at the Welcome Center. Please complete and return to the Welcome Center or the office today.

	Serving Today	Serving Next Sunday
Candlelighter	Finn Croft	
Organist	Cathy Petre	
Pianist	Marcia Fleck	Brenda Fluke-Garber
Worship Leader	Lois Lynn	
Storyteller	Gary Wineland	Betsy Garach
Children's Church	Not held	
Welcome Center	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland
Nursery		
Parking Lot		
Greeters	Carol Emerick	
Deacon Greeters	Linda Steele	Linda Steele
Head Ushers: Dave Brumbaugh, J D Barry, Pat Frazier, Bill Evans Worship Coordinator & Choir Director: Terry Hershberger Chancel Choir Accompanist: Cathy Petre		
Officiant: Rev. Dr. David A. Crumrine dcrumrine@rsfirstchurch.org		
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Messenger, the Church of the Brethren Magazine, is delivered 10 times a year. The cost is \$14.50 per year or \$27 for a two-year subscription. First time subscribers get the promotional rate of \$7.25. Please contact Jan in the office to renew or start a new subscription by the end of January.

The White Gift Christmas Offering will aid local, district and world ministries. Financial gifts will be divided among: 1) Family Services, Inc. in Blair County, 2) Mid PA District ministries, and 3) the Emergency Disaster Fund, the financial part of our national and global Brethren Disaster Ministries. Envelopes may be found at the Welcome Center and from the rack near the rear door entrance and may be turned in anytime in December.

ReCharge is such a blessing to our church family. Looking towards 2025, Christian Education is looking for teachers for January, February, and March for the following classes: nursery, preschool, k - grade 2, and grades 3-5. Please consider volunteering your time so that this program can continue to strengthen our church. Please see Angie Russell or call her at 814-327-0145.

The 2025 Flower and Bulletin Chart is now posted by the church mailboxes. They may be given in memory or honor of a person or special event. Payment may be made through the offering by noting either "bulletins" or "flowers".

December 29, 2024 - January 5, 2025

Today	9:25 am	Worship
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bible Study
Wednesday		Office Closed
Thursday	9 am	Breakfast Fellowship @Traditions
		Bulletin Submission Deadline
	6:30 pm	Knitting Group in Parlor
Sunday	9:25 am	Worship with pew communion
	10:30 am	Sunday School
	11:45 am	Deacon Prayer Gathering

Watch for details about: Winter Jam at the Bryce Jordan Center on Saturday, March 9. If you are interested in going to see Skillet, Anne Wilson, Colton Dixon, and others, let the Garber's know so we can make plans and secure tickets.

National Junior High Conference - June 22 to 25 at Juniata College Are you interested in going? We need to know so we can find an advisor to attend with you. No additional information has been provided so watch for details.



In-Pew Communion
January 5, 2025