

First Church of the Brethren Roaring Spring, Pennsylvania

December 14, 2025 - Third Sunday of Advent

Community Greeting

Announcements

Enter the Light of Christ Hymn *While We Are Waiting, Come*

Call to Worship Jane Geist

One: We gather today in great hope, longing to see the glory of the Lord.

All: The Almighty has done great things for us! Holy is His name.

One: May our worship strengthen our hands and unburden our fearful hearts.

All: The Almighty has done great things for us! Holy is His name.

One: Knowing that God is near, let us be patient with the times and with one another.

All: The Almighty has done great things for us! Holy is His name.

One: To all who ask about our hope, let us tell the good news of what we have seen and heard.

All: The Almighty has done great things for us! Holy is His name.

Praise Through Video *Oh What A Glorious Night*

Children's Story Dave Crumrine (*Children ages Pre-K through 5th Grade are invited to attend Children's Church*)

Chancel Choir *Sing We Now of Christmas* arr. Lloyd Larson

Lighting of the Advent Wreath *Emily, Celia, & Katelyn Tyler*

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Carols of Christmas #201 *Hark the Herald Angels Sing* vs1&3

#195 *It Came Upon A Midnight Clear* vs 1&5

Offertory Thought

Offertory

*Gloria Patri *Glory Be to the Father*

*Offertory Prayer

Scripture Luke 1:47-55

Sermon Joy To The World!

*Closing Hymn # 318 *Joy To The World*

*Benediction

* Postlude

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

Bold print indicates congregational response.

Some parts of this service were adopted from The Abingdon Worship Annual

Please include in your prayers: Barb Black, The Grubb Family, Jane Thompson, Tick Wyland, Joe & Debbie Surin, Erin Kennedy-Foster, Dan Musselman, Colby Seibert, Lorie Carrier, Tom Love, Sandy Smith, Elaine Frazier, Bob Delozier, Nevin Dell, Dan & Carol Emerick, Signe Dellinger, Fred Beers, Paul Unger, Bill & Carolyn Grubb, Herb Burns, Tom & Janis Thompson, Tommy Smith, Karen Long, Audrey Smith, Gary & Connie Fluke, Jim Hoover, Pete & Carol Imler, Eric Thompson, Dorothy Holsinger, Sharlene Wood, Barbara Roush, Betty Estep, Chuck Kuntz, first responders, Camp Blue Diamond, those affected by natural disasters, our church family.

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.

 **IN MEMORY AND HONOR**

TODAY'S FLOWERS ARE IN MEMORY OF CHUCK PIPER By His Family

*There are some **envelopes** by the Welcome Center that do not have mailboxes. If you can take any of these, please do so. If your number is over 100, the envelopes are late. You will get yours soon.

Serving Today Serving Next Sunday

Candlelighter	Skyee Thompson	Finn Croft
Organist	Terry Hershberger	
Pianist	Jill Delozier	Brenda Fluke-Garber
Worship Leader	Jane Geist	Linda Steele
Storyteller	Destiny Wagner	Traci Totillo
Children's Church	Tammy Carter	Angie Russell
Welcome Center	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland
Parking Lot	Earl Bryson	J.D. Barry
Greeter	Don & Diana Bookhammer	Don & Diana Bookhammer
Deacon Greeters	Travis & Angie Russell	Travis & Angie Russell
Head Ushers: Dave Brumbaugh, J D Barry, Pat Frazier, Bill Evans Worship Coordinator & Choir Director: Terry Hershberger Chancel Choir Accompanist: Cathy Petre		
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Stewardship Report for December 7, 2025

Worship attendance	127
Weekly Budget Offering	\$ 5,872.55
Weekly Offering	\$ 7,731.00
YTD Budget Income	\$ 287,754.90
Year to date Income	\$ 288,419.18
Year-to-date Expenses	\$ 285,011.16



Poinsettia Orders are due today!

****Children participating in singing on Christmas Eve will practice Saturday, December 20th @ 9 am. Please see Mindy Wagner with any questions.**

Upcoming Christmas activities are listed in the weekly schedule in Bold print.

December 14-21, 2025

Today	9:25 am	Worship 3 rd Sunday of Advent
	10:30 am	Sunday School
		Christmas Card Delivery
Monday	6:30 pm	Angel Tree Cookie Bagging
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Sisters of Faith Christmas Meal
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir
Thursday	9:00 am	Bulletin Deadline
	10:00 am	JOY Christmas Brunch
Saturday	8:00 am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
	9:00 am	Children's Christmas Eve Practice
Sunday	9:25 am	Worship 4 th Sunday of Advent
	10:30 am	Sunday School
	Noon	Youth Christmas Lunch/Party

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Sunday, December 21, we will be including a time to support



those in our church family who may be experiencing a period of grief, or who are remembering loved ones and feeling a sense of sadness. "Blue Christmas" will be a part of our morning worship and those who choose to do so will have an opportunity to light a candle in remembrance of loved ones and may also be

anointed for comfort and healing. Others in the congregation will also be invited to be anointed. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Dave. Slips of paper will be available next Sunday morning at the Welcome Center and at the rear of the Sanctuary to write down the name or names of loved ones you wish to remember during our "Blue Christmas" service. You will give your slips to Pastor Dave as you come forward.

Thank You! Bill and Carolyn Grubb would like to thank their church family for all the prayers, meals, cards and calls during Bill's recovery.

****There is a leather jacket that has been here about 3 weeks. It's outside the Church Office entrance.**