

**Suffering and Choice**  
Matthew 2:1-23

# January 8, 2017

## Combined Service

Pianist: Geoffrey Zimmerly • Organist: Phyllis Snyder

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God takes choices \_\_\_\_\_.

Gen 3:1-24

Sometimes I suffer because of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_. Matt 2:1-23

Sometimes I suffer because of my own \_\_\_\_\_.

Gen 3:16-24

### Welcome & Announcements

**Prelude:** *Wonderful Grace of Jesus* - piano/organ

#### Invitation to Worship:

Ascribe glory and strength to the LORD.

**Worship the LORD in the beauty of his holiness.**

The LORD is king on his throne forever.

**The LORD blesses his people with peace.**

\*Hymn: *Praise the Lord, the King of Heaven* pg. 1

### Recognition & Installation

**Ministry in Music:** *Power and the Glory* - choir

### Prayer

**Our Worship in Giving:** *It is Well with My Soul* - piano/organ

(First-time guests, please do not feel obligated to give.

Your presence with us today is gift enough.)

#### \*Doxology pg. 166

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all  
creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

#### \*Praise & Worship

(Children ages 3-6 dismissed to the back of the sanctuary.)

**Message:** Suffering and Choice

Matthew 2:1-23 (pew Bible pg. 1497)

#### \*Praise & Worship

\*If able, please stand

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Flowers on the communion table are given by Joe and Dee Durbin in memory of Earnest and Bessie Bodager.

**January 8, 2017**

## First Time @ Smithville Brethren?

Welcome, we are thrilled to have you as our guests today. Here is some information you will find helpful.

First, there is a gift waiting for you at our welcome center in the main lobby. Please stop by so we can give it to you.

Second, we would like you to know that we have two worship services here at Smithville Brethren. We have a 9:00 am service in the Sanctuary with a traditional feel and an 11:15 am service in the Upper Fellowship Hall with a contemporary feel.

Third, we believe that the responsibility to support the church financially rests upon the members and friends of this church and not on you, our guest. Please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering today.

Fourth, we love children here at SBC so we have a nursery which is open for children from birth to two years old. You may bring your child to the lower level for either service and Sunday school. Our nursery is staffed by loving people who would enjoy caring for your child. If you desire to keep your child in the service, that is perfectly fine also.

Fifth, during both services we also have Jr. church for children ages 3-6. Jr. church begins partway through the service and allows your child a chance to learn about God in a more age appropriate environment. Jr. church is located in the lower level, room #117. You will see a slide on the screen that tells when to send your child out for Jr. church, if you desire to do so.

### Volunteers for Today:

10:30 Children's Church: Anna Chittenden, Deb Cline

Nursery: Nancy Dravenstott, Kirstie Mahas, Sue Roe, Norma Wood, Cassandra Gasser

### Wednesday, January 11

5:00-6:30 King Foods orders  
6:30 Blanket Ministry  
6:30 Time of Prayer  
7:00 Youth Hangout  
7:30 Choir practice

### Saturday, January 14

10:00-12:00 King Foods orders

## Prayer

- Betsy West - Apostolic Nursing Home
- Bertha Rudy - Apostolic Nursing Home
- Walt & Gail Sniff
- Bill & Glenna Mast
- Charles & Edna Fleming

**Help Wanted!** If you have a sewing machine and some spare time, the Blanket Ministry is in need of assistance in hemming receiving blankets. The serged flannel fabric is located in the music room on a table in the rear, in bags marked with a note that states "To Be Hemmed." Blankets can be returned to the music room by mid-May or when completed. If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact Carol Hochstetler 330-682-6121. Thank you in advance for your help!

**Christmas Challenge!** We are still accepting money for our Christmas Challenge. This years' money will go to *Flourish 44703*, a work of our Canton, OH church plant, Radial. Please mark your checks "Christmas Challenge."

**Friends' Club** This month we will continue to help CAMO as we assemble those kits for shipment to Honduras. Join us Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00 pm at the church. After we finish assembling the kits, we will play some fun games and enjoy a snack. Call Jennifer Carr 330-262-3358 or Melissa Underwood 216-387-4802 for more information.

**Forward Look newsletter** The January *Forward Look* newsletter if available on the Information wall and our website, smithvillebrethren.org.

**2017 Offering Envelopes** Check your mailbox if you have not picked up your offering envelopes. If anyone is interested in getting envelopes, please contact Dee Durbin at 330-262-4525.

**Flower Chart** The 2017 Flower Chart is located on the wall in the Welcome Center area. Please sign up for flowers for the new year. Cost is \$30 and checks can be put in the offering marked, "flowers."

**Parents of college students:** Friends' Club Kids want to make a care package for your college student. Please turn in a completed information card today. Extra information cards are available at the Welcome Center.

**King Foods** January brochure/order forms are available on the King Foods table.

### Board Meetings

- **CE Board** will meet Monday, Jan. 16, 7:00 pm
- **Official Board** will meet Tuesday, Jan. 17, 7:00 pm

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**Lost Dish** Would the persons who took lasagna to the program on Dec. 4, please check to see if my name is on the pink/lavender baking dish with a white Aladdin Tempreserve carrier. Your dish is in the church kitchen. Thanks. Anita Rennecker

### 2017 OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES FOR THE SMITHVILLE BRETHREN CHURCH (Terms of service in brackets)

**Moderator** – Matt Hostettler (2019)

**Vice Moderator** – John Kaufman (2018)

**Clerk** – Wendy Kaufman (2017)

**Financial Secretary** – Dee Durbin (2017)

**Treasurer** – Don Dravenstott (2019)

**Asst. Treasurer/Financial Sec** – Alan McFalls (2017)

**Head Usher** – Rick Dilyard (2017)

**Trustees** – Marion Hochstetler, Brian Rennecker (2017), Bill Snyder, Bob Chittenden (2018)

**Financial Stewardship Committee** – Shawn Ferguson (2017), Jeff Borah (2018), Gene McConahay (2019)

**Personnel Committee** – Sue Roe (2017), Eric Mast (2018), Wendy Kaufman (2019)

**Christian Education Board** – Andy McGinnis, Kim Chittenden (2017), Erica Shaffer, Josh Burns (2018), Deb Cline, Rex McConahay (2019)

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**Hospitality Committee** – Jeanne Kiba, Eileen Vincent, Dorine Widder (2017), Susan Dilyard, Stephanie Horst (2018)

**Fellowship Committee** – Linda McFalls, Lois Morrison, Jane Mason, John Steiner (2017), Judy Chittenden, Rochelle Shane, Ida James (2018)

**Flower Committee** – Barb Byler, Barb Mast (2017), Ida James, Linda McFalls (2018)

**Nursery Committee** – Kate Smith, Melissa Underwood (2017), Kerilynn Jagger, Jessica Dravenstott, Bev Kail (2018)

**Music Committee** – Geoffrey Zimmerly, Phyllis Snyder, Dee Sillman, Ted Peplowski (by position), Sue McConahay, Lynn Nickles (2017), Dee Durbin, Amanda Cline (2018)