

When?
Matthew 24:36-44

November 27, 2016

First Sunday of Advent

Pianist: Geoffrey Zimmerly • **Organist:** Phyllis Snyder

Condition of _____.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: *Angels, from the Realms of Glory* - piano/organ

Lighting the First Advent Candle

Steven & Chin-Chin Frantz

***Hymn:** *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* pg. 244

Scripture: Matthew 24:36-44 (pew Bible pg. 1539)

Ministry in Music: *We Believe* - choir

Prayer

Our Worship in Giving: *The Advent of Our God* - 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!*

***Hymn:** *Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending* pg. 754
(Children ages 3-6 dismissed to the back of the sanctuary.)

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***Hymn:** *I Know Whom I Have Believed* pg. 527

***Closing Prayer & Response:**
Emmanuel pg. 243

*If able, please stand

We get it _____.

Flowers on the communion table are given in memory of Nelson Berger, by Helen Berger, Julia & Bruce Heslop and Wenda and Jeff Gordan and families.



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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:

9:00 Children's Church: Amanda Cline

Nursery: Judy Hostettler, Melissa Underwood

11:15 Children's Church: Chet Underwood, Sabrina Brandenburg

Nursery: Stephanie Horst, Kerilynn Jagger, Jennifer Carr

Wednesday, November 30

5:00-6:30 King Foods orders

6:30 Blanket Ministry

6:30 Time of Prayer

7:00 Youth Hangout

7:00 Choir practice

Saturday, December 3

9:00 Bell Choir Practice

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

Newsletter Deadline News and articles deadline for the December *Forward Look* newsletter is today. You may email your items to sbrethren@earthlink.net or put them in the black office box on the Information table.



Christmas Celebration! We're excited to celebrate the season with our annual Christmas Carol Celebration, next Sunday, Dec. 4, 4:30 pm. Come join us for an evening of Christmas music performed by the choir, bell choir, and many soloists/musicians from our church. A lasagna dinner will follow. Donations welcome.

Please sign up at the Information table if you can provide lasagna and/or cookies.

Christmas Gift Giving We will again be helping Green Local Schools with Christmas Gifts for community families this year. Please pick up an ornament from the Information table and sign your name on the sheet by the ornament's number. All gifts need to be returned to the church by next Sunday, Dec. 4.

Silent Auction for India Orphan Support continues through December 4. Bidding will close at the dinner following the Christmas Celebration. Thank you for your love and support of the children!

Christmas Challenge! This years' Christmas Challenge will go to *Flourish 44703*, a work of our Canton, OH church plant, Radial. Flourish is an "initiative to help our neighbors spiritually, socially, and economically flourish by giving them access to residential, commercial, and community spaces that we acquire and form." radialchurch.com - website Here is how it works: we each add up what we spend on Christmas and give an equal amount to the church, which we will pass on to *Flourish 44703* this year. Please mark your checks "Christmas Challenge."



December King Foods brochures/order forms are available on the King Foods table.

Our Daily Bread Feel free to pick up a free copy of the devotional, Our Daily Bread, found on the Information wall and by the downstairs door.

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Carol Horst, Secretary • e-mail: sbrethren@earthlink.net
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Come join the fun in the church nursery! We would love to have you join our team of nursery workers. If you are new and would like to help, please fill out a background check form found on the Information wall. There is a sign-up sheet for the month of December on the Information table.

Ladies' Luncheon The next Ladies Luncheon will be held Wed., Dec. 7, 11:30 am at the Smithville Inn. Contact Louise Liebhart if you are planning to attend, at 330-262-8862. All women are welcome!

A Friend's Club field trip! Most of our service opportunities happen here at the church. Join us this month as we go "out in the field" and serve at Central American Medical Outreach. We will meet at CAMO headquarters, 322 Westwood Ave, Orrville, on Saturday, December 10 from 9:00-10:00 am. We will help CAMO assemble and package donations that will be shipped to Honduras. Parents are welcome to stay and help as well.

Supper Clubs are Forming If you would like to be part of the Supper Clubs, please sign up at the Information table. Please indicate if you want to stay in the same group, change, or either. New groups will be starting the first of the year.



Christmas Eve Service Invite family and friends to the Christmas Eve Services, Saturday, December 24 at 6:30 & 8:00 pm. The 6:30 pm service will be in the upper fellowship hall with our worship team. The 8:00 pm service will be in the sanctuary with a more traditional feel. Both services will include a special time for children and a message.

Handel's Messiah You are invited to hear Handel's Messiah performed by Oak Grove Mennonite Church, 7843 Smucker Rd., Smithville on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 2:30 pm. If you would like to join the choir, rehearsals Dec. 9, at 7:00 pm and Saturday, Dec. 10, at 4:00 pm. For more information, please call the church at 330-669-2697.