

Three Kinds of Peace

Peace - the absence of _____ and
_____.

Peace in the _____ of _____.

_____ peace.

December 23, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: *Gloria in Excelsis Deo* - piano/organ

***Invitation to Worship**

We gather in preparation

for good news is about to be proclaimed.

We gather in expectation

for joy is about to explode in our midst.

We gather in celebration

**for we are those people who have said yes to the manger,
yes to love enfleshed, yes to the one incarnate for others,
yes to the wholeness of God.**

With preparation and in expectation, let us celebrate!

***Song:** *It Came upon the Midnight Clear* - pg. 251

Scripture

Ministry in Music: *Do You Hear What I Hear* - Choir

Prayer

Our Worship in Giving: *The Birthday of a King* - 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!*

***Song:** *O Little Town of Bethlehem* pg. 250

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

Message: Three Kinds of Peace

***Song:** *Angels We Have Heard on High* pg. 278

***Closing Prayer and Response**

Let's Worship and Adore Him pg. 247

Worship Leader: Rex McConahay

**If able, please stand*

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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: Judy Chittenden

Nursery: Jennifer Carr, Nancy Dravenstott

11:15 Children's Church: Erica Shaffer, Jonathan Hofstetter

Nursery: Rebekah Carr, Sue Roe

Wednesday, December 26

Blanket Ministry will not meet - will resume on Jan. 2, 2019

Choir will not meet - will resume on Jan. 2, 2019

Time of Prayer will not meet - will resume on Jan. 2, 2019

Saturday, December 29

9:00 Bell Choir practice LFH

Prayer

- Betsy West - Apostolic Nursing Home
- Bertha Rudy - Apostolic Nursing Home
- Bill & Glenna Mast
- Edna Fleming - Danbury Senior Living
- Hilda Flory

Christmas Eve Service Invite family and friends tomorrow evening to our Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 pm. The service will be in the sanctuary and will include a special time for children and a message.



2019 offering envelopes are on a table in the upper fellowship hall against the north wall. If anyone else would like 2019 envelopes, please call Dee Durbin at 330-262-4525.

Deadline for the January newsletter is today. You may put news items in the black office box on the Information table, or email to sbrethren@earthlink.net

The 2019 Flower Chart is available by the Welcome Center. Please sign up if you would like to provide flowers for the 9:00 am worship service.

Installation of new officers for the 2019 year will take place Sunday, January 13, during our combined worship service.

A Soup and Sandwich Lunch will follow the service. Please bring soup or sandwiches to share. Sign up at the Information table.

9:00 Fellowship Time
9:30 Sunday School
10:30 Worship
11:45 Soup & Sandwich Lunch



Winter Blues got you down? Well how about a little bit of summer fun to warm you up, and what says summer more than Camp Bethany? Come join us for a fun and relaxing time at Winter Camp 2019! All the great aspects of summer camp packed into a winter weekend. This year's theme is "Mirror, Mirror" as we explore James 1:22-23. We will do an in-depth study looking at both the person and the character of Jesus while spending time REFLECTING on our image to see if it mirrors that of Christ's. Grades 6-12 are invited to come spend January 18, 6:30 pm – Jan. 21, 1:30 pm (MLK weekend) at Camp Bethany. Registration will be cut off after 75 students so be sure to get your registration in today as you don't want to miss out on this fun-filled weekend. Registration is \$75 dollars (scholarships available) and can be done online at www.campbethany.org; contact Annie Simon anniesimon96@yahoo.com with any questions.

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Our Daily Bread The new issues, regular & large print, are available at the Information table and the west door.

Church Mailboxes Please check your mailboxes for any Christmas cards or other information, especially during this holiday season. Your mail is in the box BELOW your name.

For weather-related cancellations at Smithville Brethren Church check our website at smithvillebrethren.org. or listen to 104.5 FM WQKT.

2019 Events to Look Forward to!

- **Annual Chili Cook-Off and Game Night!** This annual event will be held on February 16 at 6:00 pm in the upper fellowship hall. Bring your family's favorite chili to be judged by your fellow chili lovers! The committee will provide salad, corn bread, beverage and table service. You may bring a dessert instead of chili. Don't forget to bring games!
- **March 16, 5:30 pm Welcome Spring!** Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner
- **May 11, 1:00 pm Ladies Tea** with all food and beverage provided
- **June 15, 12:00 pm Men and Boys Old Car, Tractor or Anything with Wheels**
- **July 21, 1:05 Akron Rubber Ducks Game & Picnic** Tickets are \$8 each, with the picnic provided for you.
- **August 18th All Church Picnic** at Boreman's Lake
- **November 3 Combined Service/Thanksgiving Meal**



Merry Christmas!