

Christ ^{for the} Ages

Creekside Church of the Brethren

December 18, 2016, 9:30 a.m.

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GATHERING TO REJOICE AND SING:

197 Blue "Angels we have heard on high"
204 Blue "Gloria"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Elizabeth

INTERLUDE

ADVENT READING Alysa Marciniak

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE
Hymn: 172 Blue, verse 1 "O come, O come, Immanuel"

*OPENING PRAYER
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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Roger Neal
(Sing "Away in a manger" as children come forward.)
Nursery care available for preschool age and younger.

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER: 328 Blue, vv. 1,2,3 "O God, our help in ages past"

MORNING PRAYER

ANTHEM: "The Light Will Come" Joseph Martin

INVITATION TO GIVE
Offertory: "Be Born in Me" Herms/Nordeman
*Prayer of Dedication

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 1:26-38

HYMN: 13 Sing the Journey "My soul is filled with joy"

MESSAGE: "God, Face-to-Face" Pastor Elizabeth

CLOSING HYMN: 189 Blue "To us a child of hope is born"

*BENEDICTION
Welcoming each other in the name of Christ.

*Please stand as you are able

Hearing assistance devices are available on the Ushers' table.

Sunday School 11:00-11:45am

Nursery Room 505, Preschool-Kindergarten Room 506,
Grades 1-5 Room 405, Jr. High Room 203, Senior High Room 301
Thee Seekers Room 303: Living Thoughtfully, Dying Well book study
Onward Room 106: Dunker's Guide to Brethren History book study
Overcomers Room 201: Parables from the Backside book study
New Life Room 302: A Christian View of Hospitality book study

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18, 2016

Upcoming Events		
Today	Dec. 18	Choir, 8:45 am
Tuesday	Dec. 20	Deadline for January Connection Church Board, 6:30 pm
Thursday	Dec. 22	Wired Word, 11:30-1:00, bring a lunch
Saturday	Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Service, 6:45 pm
Sunday	Dec. 25	Breakfast and worship, 9:30 am

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- The De Pue family
- The Miller family
- Advent Outreach
- The people of Syria and victims of violence around the world

COMING UP:

- **Wednesday, Dec. 21, 9:00am:** Advent Outreach activity at Elkhart Child Development Center. Meet at Creekside to carpool at 8:45. We will serve a snack and give a small gift to each child.
- **Saturday, Dec. 24:** Creekside Christmas Eve Service, music begins at 6:45pm. Scripture, singing, communion, and candlelighting. Your friends and family are welcome!
- **Sunday, Dec. 25, 9:30am:** You are invited to a light breakfast and informal worship in the Gathering Area. Merry Christmas! And blessings for all your Christmas gatherings.
- **Sunday, Jan. 1:** Worship at 9:30am as usual.