

DECEMBER 29, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND SHARING OF NEWS

CALL TO WORSHIP: *“The Lord Is in His Holy Temple”*

INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER

+ HYMN OF PRAISE: (Red) No.168
“Angels from the Realms of Glory”

+ APOSTLES CREED:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

+ GLORIA PATRI

CHOIR ANTHEM: *“Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”*

OLD TESTAMENT READING: I Samuel 2:18-20,26

PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE:

“Teach Me to Do Thy Will”

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+ HYMN OF PREPARATION: (Red) No. 164
“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Luke 2:21-40

SERMON: “Faith, Perseverance, Simeon & Anna” Lee Thomas

+ HYMN OF RESPONSE: (Red) No. 304
“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

+ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *“Alleluia”*

+ POSTLUDE

+ CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

SUNDAY:

10:00 A.M. Morning worship service
Attendance last Sunday: 79

11:00 A.M. Sunday School

12 Noon Brief Session meeting

THURSDAY:

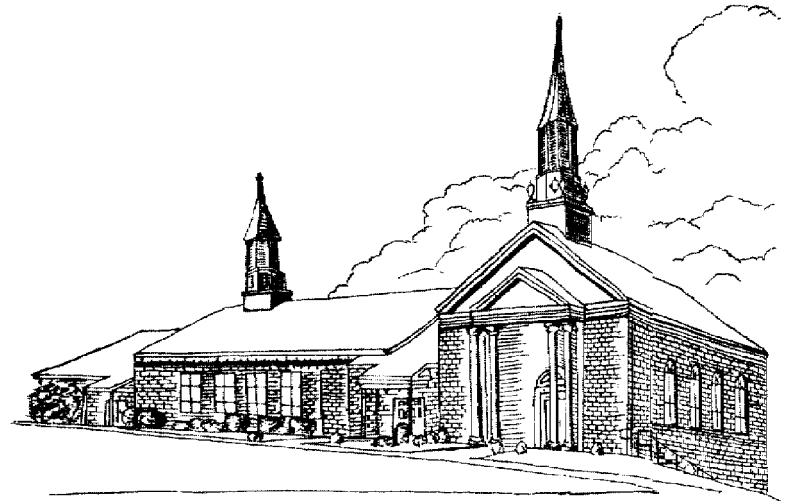
6:00 P.M. Choir rehearsal

Our *prayer person* this week is Teresa Whitesell.

We extend our sincere *sympathy* to Betsy Spencer on the passing of her husband, Dick, on December 20, 2024.

For *SACRA* during the month of December we are collecting non-perishable breakfast items such as cereals, cereal bars, pop tarts, boxed juices, etc. Please leave donations in the *upstairs social hall* by the end of the month.

The congregation is invited to attend a *concert* at Staunton Church of the Brethren on Sunday, January 5, 2025, to benefit the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank. The program is at 7:00 p.m. A free-will offering will be received that goes entirely to the Food Bank to help those in our area in need. A reception will follow the event.



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