

Long Green Valley Church of the Brethren

Long Green and Kanawha Rds., near Glen Arm, MD

December 16, 2018

Worship 10:00 am Sunday School 11:10 am

Large print hymnals are available, please see an usher

This room is equipped with a sound loop for the hearing impaired

The Third Sunday of Advent

*“Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid”
(Isaiah 12:2, NRSV)*

Beginning with Praise (9:50 am) “Oh, how shall I receive thee” 182

Announcements

Prelude

Lighting of the advent candle Karen Shenk

*Hymn “Joy to the world” 318

*Opening Prayer

Scripture Isaiah 12:2-6 (RSV)

Returning our Tithes and Offerings
(Please sign the attendance pad and pass it on)

Offertory

Offertory Prayer

Scripture Luke 3:7-18 (RSV)

Sharing a joy, a concern, a word of testimony or praise
(please be brief, and aware of God’s listening presence)

Hymn “Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us” 352

Prayer

Scripture Zephaniah 3:14-20 (RSV) & Philippians 4:4-7(RSV)

Message *“Joy in our midst”* Darlene Meyers

*Hymn “Joyful, joyful, we adore thee” 71

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Rise in body or in spirit

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sermon is embedded in/posted at
<http://rockhay.tripod.com/sermons/2018/18-12-16.htm>

Announcements:

last chance to share: Family Memories

You are invited to share pictures from your family Christmas celebration, past or recent. Those pictures will be used during the Christmas Eve worship service. We are looking for pictures with gift giving, eating, or group pictures, or anything else you would like to share. Send your pics as jpeg files to rockhay@gmail.com or lgvcob@comcast.net (one per email is probably best). Or, write your name on the back of the picture(s) and send/bring them to the church office, and we'll scan them.

invitation: Christmas Eve Invitation

The traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held on **Monday, December 24th** beginning at 7pm. Enjoy a time of fellowship, song, scripture, and celebration. Come to this special candle lighting worship service and celebrate the birth of Christ. All attending is asked to bring a snack, cookie tray, or treat to share.

deadline: January Newsletter

Please have all items to be included in the January newsletter submitted to the church office by **Friday, December 21st**.

Financial: Offering Envelopes

Offering Envelopes for 2019 will be available in the church lobby at the end of the December. If you are in need of envelopes or would like to start using the envelope system for your offering, please complete the following and place in the offering plate. Thanks, Ken Bowman

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I/We need offering envelopes for 2019.

Name (please print)
