

# Long Green Valley Church of the Brethren

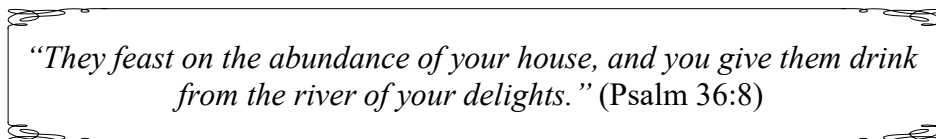
Long Green and Kanes Rds., near Glen Arm, MD

January 20, 2019

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



Beginning with Praise (9:50 am) “Will you let me be your servant” 307

Announcements

Prelude

\*Call to Worship

Leader: How precious is the steadfast love of God.

**People: All people may take refuge in the shadow of God's embrace.**

Leader: Christ is the fountain of life.

**People: In Christ we behold the Light of God.**

\*Hymn                      “Let all mortal flesh keep silence”                      463

\*Opening prayer                      *(borrowed from Life in Liturgy)*

Scripture                      1 Corinthians 12:1-11

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

Prayer                      *(borrowed from Life in Liturgy)*

Returning our Tithes and Offerings

(Please sign the attendance pad and pass it on)

Offertory

Prayer of thanksgiving                      *(borrowed from Life in Liturgy)*

Scripture                      John 2:1-11

Message                      *“A foundational experience of God”*  
Sue Ellen Wheatley

Hymn                      “In Cana at a Wedding Feast”                      *(insert)*

Communion

\*Hymn                      “Sent forth by God's blessing”                      478

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Rise in body or in spirit

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sermon is embedded in/posted at  
<http://rockhay.tripod.com/sermons/2019/19-02-20.htm>

## Announcements:

### *Today: Guest Speaker*

Today, we are blessed to have Sue Ellen Wheatley filling the pulpit in Pastor Pete's absence!

### *Eucharist*

Bread and cup communion will be served during the worship service today. There is a place prepared for you at His table. All are welcomed to participate.

### *Offering Envelopes*

If you requested offering envelopes for the new year, they are available today for pick up in the entryway of the church.

### *This week: Book Club*

Looking for a great book for the New Year? The book club suggest reading "*A Gentleman in Moscow*" written by Amor Towles. This exciting novel holds many adventures for the main character all while being on house arrest in a hotel. Join for the discussion at The Sack's home this **Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**. All attending is asked to bring a snack to share with the group. Completion of reading is not required to enjoy this social event. All are welcomed.

### *With love: Keeping warm during church*

If you get a little chilly during the worship service, we have got you covered. The sanctuary can become a little drafty during the winter months. **Beth Kagarise** made lap blankets for the congregation to use during worship as a service project for Girl Scouts. There is a shelf with bins in the back corner of the sanctuary area – please borrow for the service and return to the bins afterwards. Thank you, Beth, for your service project that provides warmth, and was made with love!

## **In Cana at a Wedding Feast**

*(sung to the tune of "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"  
#46 in your hymnal)*

In Cana at a wedding feast, Christ worked his first great sign.  
There Jesus' mother told her son, "They don't have any wine!"  
He called for six stone water jars; they filled them to the brim;  
Through water changed to wine that day, his friends believed in him.

Far from the town, the crowds pressed in on Jesus' prayer retreat.  
He healed their sick, then told his own, "You give them food to eat!"  
Five loaves of bread and two small fish were all they found to share,  
Yet thousands ate the meal he blessed, with baskets left to spare.

Out on the sea, the winds were strong; the stormy waves were high;  
There Jesus' friends were filled with fear when he came walking by.  
"Take heart, for it is I!" he said, and helping Peter stand,  
He calmed the storm & stirred their hearts; God's world was in his hand.

The blind, the poor, the outcast too, found Christ to be their friend.  
"Have mercy!" Bartimaeus said. "I want to see again."  
With great compassion and with grace, Christ gave him back his sight.  
Through deeds of power, deeds of love, he filled our world with light.

O Lord, we see your wondrous signs and know through faith-filled eyes:  
You are new wine that brings us joy, true bread that satisfies.  
You give clear vision to your church, you make the wounded whole.  
You give us hope, when seas are rough; for you are in control!

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