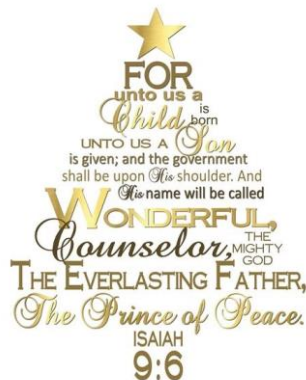


Welcome to  
Elizabethtown  
Mennonite Church

DECEMBER 16, 2018

*A community on a mission: To know God,  
nurture relationships, and experience God's  
transforming power in Elizabethtown – and beyond.*

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship in Song

Third Sunday of Advent Reading

Everlasting Father (Fred Martin)

Offering (*Congregational Fund*)

The Word (Conrad Kanagy)

*"Jesus – Invited to join His team"*

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## SERVING OUR CHURCH TODAY

**Prayer Team A** – Willy K., Sonja M., Marilyn M.

Worship Leader – Nikki R.

Trustee for December – Paul S.

Projection – Tara M.

Sound – Steve R.

Infant-Age 2 Nursery – John M. and Susan H.

Ushers – Scott C., Steve R., Toby G., Stan G., Joanna A.

**Church Board** – John B., Stan G., Scott G., Susan H., Steve K., Ethan M., Marilyn M., Scotty M., Esther W., Jordan R., *Stewardship Representative*, Conrad Kanagy, *Lead Minister*

**Ministry Team** – Conrad Kanagy, *Lead Minister*; Fred Zeiset, *Minister of Youth*; Kate Ebersole, *Co-Minister of Worship*; Nikki Rineer, *Co-Minister of Worship*; Heidi Kanagy, *Minister of Care*; Bethany Miller, *Minister of Children*; Paul Swanger, *Minister of Outreach*; *Minister of Discipleship* (to be discerned)

## NEXT SUNDAY – December 23, 2018

Sermon – Conrad Kanagy; Offering (*Congregational Fund*)

Infant-Age 2 Nursery – Jen K. and Anjie V.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

(All activities held at Elizabethtown Mennonite Church unless noted otherwise)

### Today

After Church Young Adult Luncheon – Gym

### Monday, December 17, 2018

7:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal – Sanctuary

### Wednesday, December 19, 2018

7:00 p.m. HS Youth Group – Gym

### Friday, December 21, 2018

6:30 p.m. Care 'n Connect Meal – Gym

### Saturday, December 22, 2018

6:00 a.m. Spirit Wind Prayer – at Cornerstone

**LAST WEEK** (12/9/18)      ATTENDANCE: SS-129; Worship Service-167

## *Congregational Life*

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Dec.	30	Fred and Jolyn Zeiset Appreciation Sunday <i>with luncheon</i>
Jan.	4-6	Middle School Retreat at Camp Hebron
	11-13	High School Retreat at Camp Hebron

- 12 Pizza Bake-Off – 6:00 p.m.
  - 15 WOW “Passionate About Purity” 6:30 p.m. (*Mary Prokopchak*)
  - 20 Larry and Laverne Kreider presenting on spiritual mothering and fathering (*combined adult Sunday school, worship service, potluck lunch, and afternoon session*)
  - 27 Building Dedication
- Feb. Marriage and Family Month

Conrad’s office hours this week: Thursday, 3:00-4:30 p.m., Heidi’s office hours this week: Wednesday, 12:30-4:30 p.m.

As we celebrate this Advent Season, we are reminded about what the advent wreath symbolizes: Evergreens (*everlasting life*), The Circle (*God’s unending love*), Holly and Berries (*Jesus sacrifice and death*), The Pinecones (*new life through Jesus’ resurrection*). Our theme verse this year is Isaiah 9:6 “*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders, and he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*”

**COFFEE** update: *We will not have coffee offered again this morning.* Our coffee ministry is being revisited in light of all the new carpet and flooring and it has not yet been decided on how to proceed. *Thank you for your understanding and please stay tuned!*

Paul Swanger has received affirmation and will begin serving in the position of Minister of Outreach.

Andy and Jessica L. have been discerned to serve in the position of Ministers of Youth. There were affirmation ballots in your church mailbox last Sunday. After prayerful consideration, please fill out your response and return it by Sunday, Dec. 23, to the ballot box in the foyer. There are extra copies of ballots at the ballot box if you need one.

**Connection Card:** Each week there is a Connection Card insert in your bulletin. This is a way for you to connect with us, update your information, let us know if you wish to have a church mailbox, or to be added onto the church email list. Also, if you wish more information about small groups, becoming a member, children’s activities, youth or women’s ministry, etc., please fill it out and simply drop into the offering plate. *Thank you!*

We are planning to begin Children’s Church again in January. We will meet on the first and third Sundays of each month January through May. This is for children ages 3-grade 5. The children will be dismissed after the Worship in Song time, just prior to the sermon. Our theme is the

Fruit of the Spirit and we look forward to beginning again after our remodeling hiatus!

Please Note: The ***God's Restoration Project*** life groups scheduled to begin in January are now canceled due to lack of response.

**CHURCH MAILBOXES:** As you may have noticed, the church mailboxes have moved! They are now all together on the wall outside the nursery. With this new layout, it will be easier to do the mailbox numbering all the way across rather than in sections. This new layout will happen at the beginning of January. Please be aware of this upcoming change and make sure you double check your name and number before you get your mail to make sure you have the right box, as its location may have moved. *Thank you!*

You're invited to a pizza bake off to raise money for gym equipment on Saturday, Jan. 12. Join us for good pizza, music and a live auction. Want to be a contestant? Talk to Conrad or Colin. Want to eat good pizza? Space is limited and tickets to reserve your spot will be available soon!

If you are between the ages of 7th grade and 20, you are eligible to quiz this year. We are quizzing on the book of Matthew and practices will begin sometime over Christmas break and then on Thursdays beginning Jan. 10 with quiz matches on Sundays through the Ohio tournament March 15-17, 2019. Sign up by the library door or text Robin G. to sign up. If you have coached in the past, or want to coach this year, text Robin and let her know of your interest.

***Safe Adult Training:*** We will be offering the training video during the Sunday school hour for those who still need that to become a safe adult. Laura R. will show the video on Jan. 6 and John M. will show the video on Jan. 20. We will let you know what room we will use closer to the time. Speak to either Laura, John, or Bethany Miller if you have any questions.

### **Scripture of the Month – DECEMBER 2018**

*"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.  
And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,  
Prince of Peace." – Isaiah 9:6 (NIV)*