Upcoming Birthdays!!

Mon., Dec. 12th– Donovan Lantz

Tues., Dec.. 20th– Aleck Lantz, Aubrey Lantz

Upcoming Anniversaries!!

Fri., Dec. 16th-Bill & Cheri Mullins

Prayer Concerns-

- Continued prayer for Ron Landis, Doug & Peggy's son-in-law, who collapsed on Thanksgiving. Pray he can begin to breathe on his own without the aid of a ventilator. His heart is doing well.
- Tim & Sheila have a new grandson! Baby Lincoln was born to their daughter Timra last Saturday!
- Sharon S.— thankful for prayers during COVID illness, continued prayer for her brother, who is not doing well.
- Ruby B.— comfort for son-in-law Jim, whose mother passed away.



Looking for a good video series to help you grow in your faith this Christmas season? Check out Derwin Gray's "Advent" series on Right Now Media. This five part series looks at the meaning of Christ's coming to earth, and challenges us to focus not on presents under a tree, but Christ's presence ON a tree. The series includes a study guide.





Today's Message:

Joy In Action
(Isaiah 12)

9:30am- Fellowship, 10am- Morning Worship

Welcome to First Brethren Church! We're glad you're here!

Pastor Jeff Estep

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Calendar:

Today— Youth Community Event in Elkhart, 2-4pm— Youth need to provide their own transportation

Tues., Dec. 13th—Butterfly Mornings Bible Study, 9:30am

Wed., Dec. 14th— Official Board Meeting, 6:30pm

Sat., Dec. 24th— Christmas Eve Service, 8pm

Membership & Baptism Sunday—We are scheduling a Baptism & Membership Sunday for January 22nd. If you have never been baptized as a believer but are interested, or if you've been thinking of becoming a member of the church, talk to Pastor Jeff today!

We are forming a Missions Committee! Sign up on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board if you'd like to be a part of the group that helps us discern which of our Brethren Global Partners we will begin to support.

December 11th, 2022

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude-

Welcome and Announcements-

Opening Hymn- #128—It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

Scripture & Prayer—Isaiah 12:4-6

In that day you will say, "Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."

Hymn- #132– Angels We Have Heard on High

Message – Joy in Action Pastor Jeff Estep

Responding in Worship Team

Closing Prayer

If you have an offering to give this morning, please place it in the box at the back of the Sanctuary Deacons on Call for December: Tim & Sheila Mullins Leading Worship Today— Megan Long

Sermon Notes:

| Joy comes from ourselves, from a reality than us. |
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| We rejoice at Christmas because God has brought us |
| Joy comes from understanding what has |
| What God has done is meant to be |

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– Isaiah 12:1-6 **Monday**– Philippians 4:1-9

Tuesday– 1 Corinthians 9:15-18 **Wednesday**– Ephesians 2:1-10

Thursday – Luke 2:1-20 Friday – John 14:1-14

Saturday- Exodus 15:1-18

IF YOU'RE DISSAPOINTED THAT WE AREN'T MEETING FOR WORSHIP ON CHRISTMAS DAY, WE INVITE YOU TO WORSHIP IN PERSON AT JEFFERSON COMMUNITY CHURCH FOR THEIR 10AM WORSHIP SERVICE ON THE 25TH.

A LINK TO OUR CHURCH'S WORSHIP VIDEO FOR CHRISTMAS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON DECEMBER 19TH.

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