

**BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

*First Sunday after Christmas*

December 28, 2025

10:45 am

**Gathering**

Time of Reflection                      *God With Us*                      Video

\* Hymn                      *Emmanuel*                      Michael W. Smith  
Emmanuel. Emmanuel. Emmanuel. Emmanuel. Wonderful, Counselor. Lord of life,  
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\* Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Prayer Concerns

Call to Worship                      *Infant Holy*                      arr. by Phil Perkins

Time of Quiet Prayer and Prayer of Blessing

Hymn, No. 117                      *Still, Still, Still*                      STILL, STILL, STTILL

Confession

The psalmist assures us that the Lord is near to all who call on God in truth. So, with that assurance of God's presence, God's steadfast love, and God's overwhelming mercy, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

*Time for Silent Confession*

Before God, with the people of God, I confess to my brokenness: to the ways I wound my life, the lives of others, and the life of the world.

**May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.**

Amen.

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May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

**Amen.**

\* Response, No. 705

*Glory Be to the Father*

GREATOREX

**Proclaiming**

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading    *Isaiah 63:7-9* (pg. 679, Pew Bible)

Second Reading    *Hebrews 2:10-18* (pg. 1090, Pew Bible)

Anthem    *Come, Adore Christ the Lord*    arr. by Lloyd Larson

Come, adore Christ the Lord: promised Messiah, Emmanuel. Come, adore God's gift to the world. With angels and shepherds, sing Noel! Come, adore Christ the Lord: promised Messiah, Emmanuel. Come, adore God's gift to the world. With angels and shepherds, sing Noel! No eye had seen, no ear had heard, no mind had conceived this birth. But in Bethlehem a King was born, God's love sent from heav'n to earth. Come, adore Christ the Lord: promised Messiah, Emmanuel. Come, adore God's gift to the world. With angels and shepherds, sing Noel! Come, adore Christ the Lord: promised Messiah, Emmanuel. Come, adore God's gift to the world. With angels and shepherds, sing Noel! O come, let us adore Him; O come, let us adore Him; O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord. Promised Messiah, Emmanuel.

Gospel    *Matthew 2:13-23* (pg. 878, Pew Bible)

Sermon    Rev. Kip J. Rush

\* Hymn, No. 110    *Away in a Manger*    MUELLER

\* Invitation to Discipleship

\* Affirmation of Faith    *from Philippians 2:5-11*

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.**

**And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.**

**Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord!**

### Responding

Silent Prayers and Prayer of Intercession

Offertory Sentence

Offertory *What Child Is This?* William C. Dix

\* Response, No. 706 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings* SUSSEX CAROL

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer (*using "sins" & "those who sin against us"*)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us; lead us, not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### Sending

\* Hymn, No. 122 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* IN DULCI JUBILO

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Response *O Come, All Ye Faithful* Choir

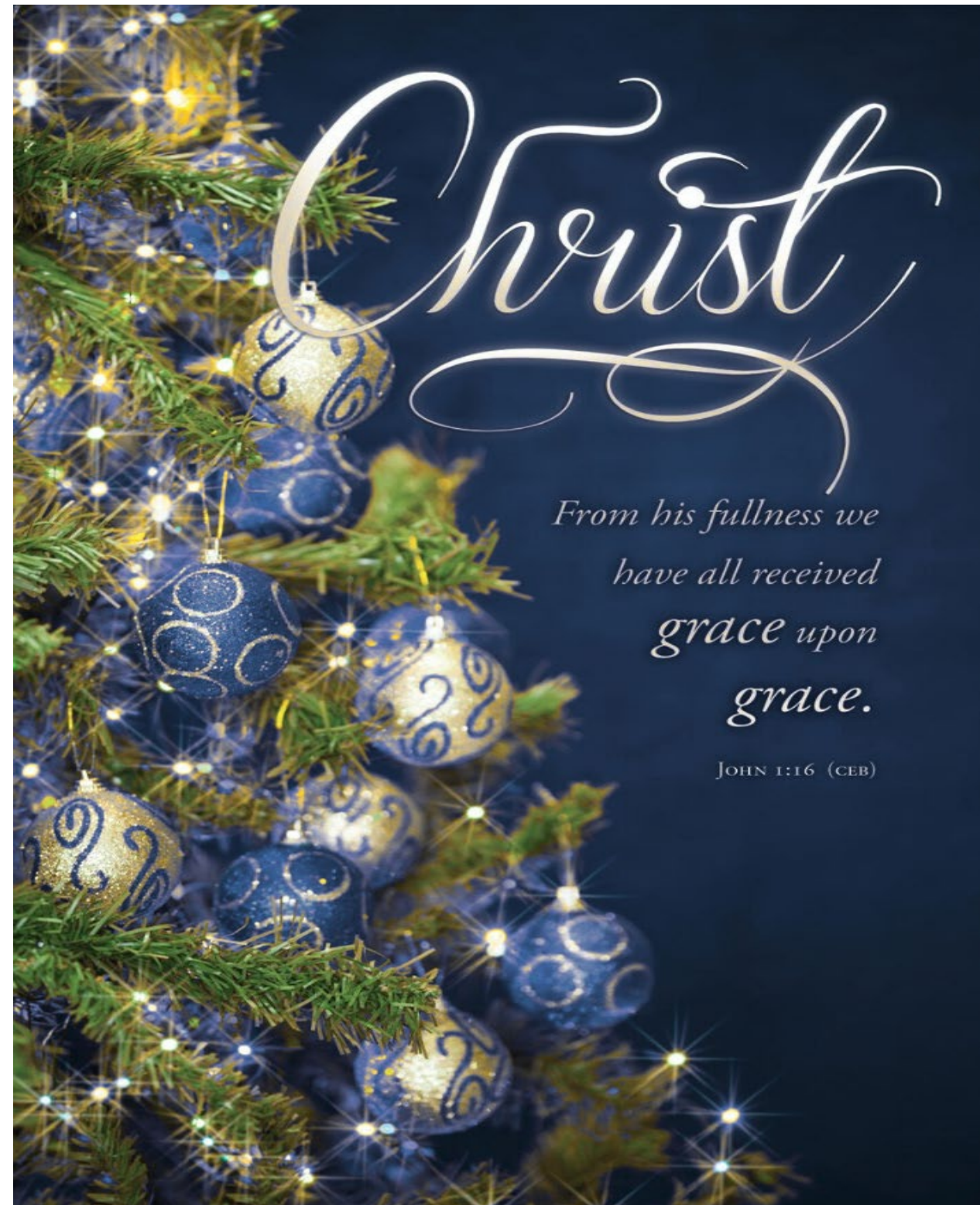
\* Extinguishing the Candles, taking forth the Light of Christ

\* Postlude *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* Felix Mendelssohn

*\* Congregation is invited to stand in body or spirit*

**Congregation will please respond**

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DECEMBER 28, 2025

10:45 am Worship Service

*Nursery/Wee Worship Care: Childcare Solutions*

Childcare is available during our worship service for all children through kindergarten.

Youth ROCKS! Don't miss our **Winter Retreat** in Nashville, **Thursday, January 1** through **Sunday, January 4**. The cost is \$200.00 per youth, covering all activities, meals, and lodging. Once the spots are filled, they're gone! Don't wait to sign up!

**Next Sunday, January 4**, at 3:00 pm, we will be hosting an **organ concert**, featuring guest organist **Brenda Johnson** and our own **Amity Marsh**. This special event will showcase the remarkable range of the organ from powerful, majestic passages to gentle, prayerful melodies that speak to the heart. Whether you are a devoted lover of sacred music or simply looking for a meaningful and beautiful way to spend the afternoon, this concert promises to be both inspiring and memorable. You won't want to miss it! There will be a reception immediately following.

**Can You Dig It?** Are you dig'n a farm-to-table feast? Then join our Diggers' table for delectable vittles and lively Mustard Seed discussion sure to nourish your body and soul. We'll gather **Saturday, January 24** from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm (location TBD). We are dig'n you joining us, and we promise you'll dig it too. Hosts are **Donna Kirby** and **Anita Tilley**. Watch for details in an upcoming newsletter.

Brenthaven Church is hosting a one-day winter **Vacation Bible School** event with a Winter Olympics theme. This event will take place on **Saturday, January 31** from 10:00 am–3:00 pm. Look for registration information to come.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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| <b>SUN., DEC. 28</b>               | <b>9:30 AM</b>  | Sunday School  |
|                                    | <b>10:45 AM</b> | Worship Service  |
| <b>THURS., JAN. 1–FRI., JAN. 2</b> |                 |  |
| <b>Church Office Closed</b>        |                 |  |
| <b>THURS., JAN.1-SUN., JAN 4</b>   |                 |  |
| Youth ROCKS Winter Retreat         |                 |  |
| <b>SUN., JAN. 4</b>                | <b>9:30 AM</b>  | Sunday School  |
|                                    | <b>10:45 AM</b> | Worship Service  |
|                                    | <b>3:00 PM</b>  | Organ Concert ( <i>Sanctuary</i> )<br>Reception Following ( <i>Fellowship Hall</i> ) |

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Members**

Ty Allen, Jeri Behan, Joan Bledsoe, Phyllis Burkhalter, Ben Davis, David Dowland, Bob Dozier, Marilyn Ewen, Carol Ford, Barbara Gentry, Tim Ghianni, Paul Gonzales, Madge Graves, Suzanne Hawkins, Tommy Hennesy, Mac Holland, Barbara Loyall, Dawn & Walter McBee, Marty Morris, Rose O'Hara, Jack Phillips, Larry Pulley, Jodi Rush, Phil Slagle, Cheryl & Don Tabor, Jane & James Talley

**Family and Friends**

Jon Bates (*nephew of Kaye Holland*), Sierra Broome (*friend of Lorri Jean Pulley*), Mary Ruth Campbell (*step-mother of Barry & Darryl Campbell*), Betty Canupp (*mother of Betsy Canupp*), Lauren (*friend of Ame Satterwhite*), Waylon Cogbill (*great-grandson of Pat Chesnut*), Brenda Copeland (*niece of Martha Stewart*), John Copeland (*nephew of Martha Stewart*), Chrissy Deaton (*sister-in-law of Russ Deaton*), Melody Dobbins (*daughter-in-law of Kathy & Bill Dobbins*), Mary Dale Edwards (*mother of John Edwards*), Jamie Travis Gallimore (*sister of Julie Travis*), Bill Garrett (*son of Beverly Garrett*), Miklos Gerendas, Amy Glenn (*daughter of Becky & Ronny Jones*), Eddie Grant (*friend of Becky & Ronny Jones*), Gregg Gross (*father of Ben Gross*), Chazz Jones (*friend of the Crafting group*), Hudson Jones (*friend of Joan Bledsoe's family*), David Kirby (*stepson of Donna Kirby*), Dianne Lyons (*aunt of Shali Scott*), Walter McBee, Jr. (*son of Walter McBee, Sr.*), Greg McEwen (*friend of Kaye Holland*), Bettie Mason (*friend of Barbara Dial*), Butch Mayes (*friend of Walter McBee*), Rick Prentice (*son-in-law of Ben Davis*), Troy Rhone (*nephew of Scott Shepherd*), Jenny Rowe (*sister of Liz Strickland*), Johnny Rush (*father of Kip Rush*), Marjorie Shepherd (*mother of Sharon Malloy*), Bill Shouse (*uncle of Larry Pulley*), Judy Smith (*friend of Janiece Redmon*), Brittany Spradling, Caden Sullivan (*grandson of Nina Sullivan*), Jim Summitt (*uncle of Blair Summitt*), Gary Tessar (*friend of Jan Marshall*), Sarah Thomas (*friend of Megan Gregali*), Pat Travis (*mother of Julie Travis*), Bill Turner (*brother-in-law of Cheryl Tabor*), Lynn Underwood (*daughter of Dawn McBee*), Sandi Walter (*sister of Jim Tilley*), Matt West (*friend of the Flemings*), Danny Williams (*brother of Linda Pulley*), those serving our country



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