

## Discipleship Opportunities through Fellowship & Mission

**ADVENT WORKSHOP** - Join us on **TODAY** from 4:00 to 5:30. This is an intergenerational event with stations for all ages. We will make Advent wreaths, color Chrismon bookmarks, string popcorn garlands, make Advent calendars, stuff Christmas stockings as well as sip hot chocolate and apple cider, while enjoying the fellowship of others.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?** We will be receiving new members next Sunday, **December 9th** and invite you to become part of our family of faith on that day. For more info, we will hold a **TBC101** gathering **TODAY** immediately following our morning worship service and we invite you to join us in this informal setting to find out more about the Brandermill Church. For more information please contact Elizabeth Ford by email at [elizabeth\\_ford@verizon.net](mailto:elizabeth_ford@verizon.net).

**ADVENT WARMAMENT TREE** - Beginning **TODAY**, there will be a Christmas tree in the Fellowship Hall. It is undecorated and looking a little cold. You are invited to bring warm items - *mittens, gloves, scarfs, socks, etc.* - and decorate the tree to keep it warm. Your donations will be given to those in our community who are in need of extra warmth and love this winter season.

**ALTAR FLOWERS 2019** - Honor a loved one or commenorate a special event by dedicating altar flowers. Beginning **TODAY**, you are invited to sto by the Fellowship Hall and sign up for a 2019 altar flower dedication. Arrangements are \$50 each and may be paid for during the week they are displayed.

**MISSION / SHOPPING OPPORTUNITY** - Once again this year, we are providing an opportunity for ALTERNATIVES to bring a selection from their store in Carytown to sell here at TBC. You may shop before and after services in the Fellowship Hall next Sunday, **December 9th**. AlterNatives is a non-profit trust established by the Highland Support Project, benefitting the women of Guatemala.

**CHESTERFIELD COMMUNITY BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT** - Many of you know that the band rehearses here every Monday night. What you may not know is that the band's holiday concert each year is presented as a thank you to the church! Come out and hear your holiday favorites at this year's concert on Monday evening, **December 17th** at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION** - On **December 17th and 18th**, the church is planning a Christmas Celebration Extravaganza for the preschoolers. There will be three different activites for each class where the children will make a craft, an edible creation and hear a story and color. Volunteers are needed to help the children and their teachers in each station. All supplies will be furnished and ready each morning. Volunteers are needed from 9:45 until 12:00 each day. To help, please contact Barbara Flynt.

**BEETHOVEN IN BRANDERMILL** - Our Music by the Lake Concert Series for 2019 will kick off in February, when we will once again host The Richmond Symphony in concert here on Saturday, **February 23, 2019** at 2 p.m. This afternoon concert will include Beethoven's *Symphony No. 6 (Pastorale)*, Reena Esmail's *Avartan* and Mozart's *Overture to Don Giovanni*. Why not do some early Christmas shopping and buy tickets for someone special! Visit the RSO's website at: <https://www.richmondsymphony.com/event/richmond-symphony-brandermill-church/> and use the online promo code **TBC1819** for a small discount! A portion of the proceeds will benefit the music ministry and missions here at TBC! Tickets at the door will be full price, so get them early!

**MEDICAL MISSION TEAM** needs items for distribution to five mountain villages the group will visit in Honduras, February 9-17, 2019. Most needed are men's sunglasses, cloth diapers/pins, and baby slings. Also needed are light weight baby blankets and children's caps. Cash donations (via check to TBC with "Honduras" on memo line) towards medicines, dental/medical supplies, dentist, and translators will also be greatly appreciated along with your prayers as the team of 15 prepares for its mission trip.

## Discipleship Opportunities on our calendar this week

**Sunday, December 2:**  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School (MP, CL, YR, LL)  
10:30 a.m. Worship (SY)  
11:45 a.m. Church Council (CL)  
11:45 a.m. TBC 101 (FH)  
3:00 p.m. Haiti Mission Planning (CR)  
4:00 p.m. Advent Workshop (FH)

**Monday, December 3:**  
9:30 a.m. MAP (FH)

**Tuesday, December 4:**  
3:00 p.m. Bible Study (OFF)

**Wednesday, December 5:**  
8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (CL)  
7:15 p.m. Branderbells (SY)

**Thursday, December 6:**  
10:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Study (CL)  
2:00 p.m. Knit Wits (CR)  
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir (SY)

**Friday, December 7:**  
9:00 a.m. MOPS (MP, FH, NSY)

**Sunday, December 9:**  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School (MP, CL, YR, LL)  
10:00 a.m. AlterNatives Mission Shopping (FH)  
10:30 a.m. Worship (SY)  
2:00 p.m. Youth Group (OFF)

- Advent Devotionals -  
Booklets from the Society of  
St. Andrew are free and available  
in baskets in the Narthex -  
*pick one up today!*

SY - Sanctuary CR - Conference Room MP - Multi-Purpose Room CL - MP Classroom  
LL - Lower Level YR - Youth Room FH - Fellowship Hall NSY - Nursery KT - Kitchen  
Choir - Choir Room FC - Family Classroom OFF - Offsite NAR - Narthex CY - Courtyard

### THE BRANDERMILL CHURCH STAFF

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## December 2, 2018

1st Sunday in Advent  
10:30 a.m.

### A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND HOLY COMMUNION

*\*(Please stand as able)*

#### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Please print your name and pass the attendance register, found at the end of each row. If you are visiting and would like to learn more about The Brandermill Church, please provide your email address and we will send you our weekly eNews. Hymns and Responses are also projected on the screens for your convenience. We ask that you silence your cell phones, as we prepare to worship God.*

WELCOME

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE *Breath of Heaven* *arr. Carol Tornquist*

CALM AND BRIGHT: 200 Years of Silent Night

ADVENT SONG *Calm and Bright*

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING *Tim & Elaine Grider*

One: We enter this season of waiting, by lighting this first candle, anticipating the light of the star that shone over Bethlehem for all to see.  
Advent God, we open ourselves to hear your call today, to become those who not only wait, but also work, for peace in our lives, our families, our communities, and our world.

**Many: Fill us with your peace and light, make the world so calm and bright.**

\* HYMN BCH 196 *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Many: Merciful God, as we pray a prayer of Great Thanks, we also take a moment of silence, of calm, in order to center our hearts and let go of things in our lives that we regret, asking God for the peace of forgiveness.**

**\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Know this, already your world is a little bit calmer and brighter having offered to God the bits of chaos clouding your life. Now the dark skies give way to beams of light, illuminating your way. Move forward into God's future, forgiven and free.

**Many: Thanks be to God!**

\* RESPONSE *Christ Be Our Light*

**\* THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

SCRIPTURE READING *Isaiah 2:1-4, 9:2, 6-7 (page 550)*

SERMON *Advent 1: Please, World, Calm Down!*  
*Dr. Jim C. Dunkin*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

OFFERTORY *We Need a Silent Night in Here*  
*Brandermill Quartet*

\* RESPONSE *Give Thanks*

**\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Lord, we bring these gifts to you, thankful for all the ways you have healed and enriched our lives. May these gifts be used in service to others. Christ be our light! Shine through the dark night and shine in our hearts! Amen.**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH BCH 881 *The Apostles' Creed*

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

The December communion offering will support our Pastor's Discretionary Fund. This offering will be collected today in the baskets placed on each of the front pews, though donations may be made throughout the month, by noting 'Pastor's Fund' on your check or offering envelope.

**SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP**

Please come forward to receive Holy Communion at any one of the serving stations. All stations serve juice, with the exception of the station to your far right, where wine is served. Gluten-free elements are available at the center station.

**PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING**

\* HYMN BCH 431 *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

**\* BENEDICTION**

\* RESPONSE *We Need a Silent Night in Here*

\* POSTLUDE *And the Glory of the Lord* *arr. Carol Tornquist*

**TODAY'S WORSHIP**

**Dr. Jim C. Dunkin, Pastor**  
**Rev. Terry K. Eum, Associate Pastor**

**Lay Leader**  
Hayden Nghiem

**Attendance last week**  
301

**Hospitality Ushers**  
Terry Lynn, Ann & Brad Coble,  
Rose Hunter, Bob Weatherford

**The flowers on the altar**  
are dedicated to the Glory of God,  
as we celebrate the first Sunday in Advent.

**Acolyte**  
Jackson Hill

**The rosebud on the altar**  
celebrates the birth of Josephine Kennedy Catlett,  
daughter of Hunter & Brittany Catlett,  
granddaughter of Hugh & Karen Catlett.

Childcare for infants and children up to age 4  
is available in the Nursery, located in the entryway.

Worship bags, blue for younger/early readers and green for older elementary children,  
are available in the baskets under the table in the narthex.

Children's Bulletins (available from our ushers) for children ages 3 to 6 and ages 7 to 12  
each Sunday morning during worship. These special bulletins often have activities that pertain  
to the sermon and the Scripture reading that morning.

Rocking Chairs are available in the back of the sanctuary  
for parents who would like to rock their infants.

**Cheerful Givers**

Cheerful/Hilarious Givers at The Brandermill Church -

Following Commitment Sunday, we have received a total of \$697,956! If you have not returned your commitment card for 2019, please pick up a card this morning on the table outside the sanctuary, mail your card to the Financial Office, or send an email with your commitment to [financialoffice@brandermillchurch.org](mailto:financialoffice@brandermillchurch.org).



*Together we can face 2019 as a cheerful/hilarious body of Christ.*

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*praying for each other*

**CHURCH FAMILY**

Gwyn Westerfeld, David Williams, Flora Williams, Ethel Miller,  
Mike Fedoriw, Verna Fedoriw, Lacey Lee, Bill Kump, Marcia Dixon,  
Jaimeson Stockhaus (son-in-law of Ben & Wanda Carter),  
Ralph Spencer, Bob Pretty, Nancy Strite, Polly Wriston,  
Reg Waggoner, Paul Werkmeister, Laurel Meyer, Roland Davis,  
Betty Bigger, Rich Taylor, Cathy Kirkland, Olive Johnson,  
Tom Wriston, Karen Winne, Sara Bottorf, Scott McDowell,  
Scott Trawick (son of Don & Linda), Gloria Keeton

**HOMEBOUND**

Marie Ball, Penny Goodall, Alice Palmer, Ethel Butler, Pauline McFarlane,  
Mary Alice McCarthy, Eleanor Curtis, Barbara Dove, Dottie Arnaudin,  
Harold Binhammer, Patricia Hubbard

*Our love and sympathy to the Lyon family, as Bill's sister died last week.*

**The extended prayer list is available in the entrance hallway.**