

Elderton Presbyterian Church  
First Sunday after Christmas Day  
December 30, 2018

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

ACOLYTE –Allyson Tutak

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Choral Introit

\*Call to Worship: (responsively)

Praise God. I will give thanks to God with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

**God's work is full of honor and majesty, and God's righteousness endures forever.**

Praise God in the sanctuary and remember the wonderful works God has done.

**God's praise endures forever!**

\*Prayer of Invocation

\*Hymn No. 31 "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" MENDELSSOEN

\*Unison Prayer of Confession:

**God of compassion, have mercy upon us as we make our confession. The year is soon spent. What we ought to have done still awaits action, while we commit acts not in accord with your will. We think of ourselves before others; we serve our own needs. We keep for ourselves the gifts of your graciousness. The new life you offer is not yet proclaimed in the land. Forgive us our sins and make us more faithful. Help us to use our time wisely as we follow Christ's way.**

\*Silent Prayer of Confession

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri – page 579

THE WORD

Special Music "Christmas Medley"  
Four hand piano by Sarah & Cassie

Joys, Concerns and God Sightings

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Children's Sermon

Eric Schrecengost

\*Hymn No. 41

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

ADESTE FIDELES

First Scripture Reading Jeremiah 18: 1-

(pew Bible page 678 O.T.)

Second Scripture Reading Ephesians 2:

(pew Bible page 177 N.T.)

Sermon

God's Chisel

Mark & Eric Schrecengost

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

\*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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Presentation of Our Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology and Prayer

SENDING

\*Hymn No. 40

"Joy to the World"

ANTIOCH

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response: "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;

Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

\*Postlude

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(\*) Congregation Standing

The Chancel flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Paul & Marilyn Meyers in memory of our parents.

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**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** All those mentioned in prayer

**PRAYER CHAIN REQUEST CONTACT** – Martha Dyott (724-801-8447)

**GREETERS TODAY** – Shirley Schall & Sharon Aikins

**GREETERS NEXT WEEK** – Brett & Joanie Riggle

NURSERY TODAY – Sheila Brumbaugh  
NURSERY NEXT WEEK – Hannah Schrecengost

ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK – Travis Johns

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK: Mildred Smeltzer, % Margaret Manor  
689 Margaret Road, Kittanning, PA 16201

VISITATION TEAMS FOR DECEMBER:

Elder: Nancy Schrecengost    Deacons: Nathan Johns  
Ryan Scrips

CHANCEL FLOWERS FOR DECEMBER: Nancy Schrecengost

Our thanks to Mark & Eric Schrecengost for leading worship today.

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Next week Rev. Al Kimmel will be with us to lead worship.

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On **Sunday, January 13 2019**, immediately after worship, the Elderton Presbyterian Church will hold its **annual congregational meeting**. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect the church officers, receive the annual reports of the congregation, and conduct whatever business that is necessary. The annual corporation meeting will also be held at this time. We hope every-one will make an effort to attend this meeting, thereby supporting the work of our church.

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**COMING UP:**

January 2 – Helping Hand  
January 6 – Social after Worship  
January 7- 6:00 p.m. – Deacons

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Thank you so much for your generous Christmas gift. We are truly blessed to be part of this family of Faith. See you in March!

Rick & Prudy Sweeney

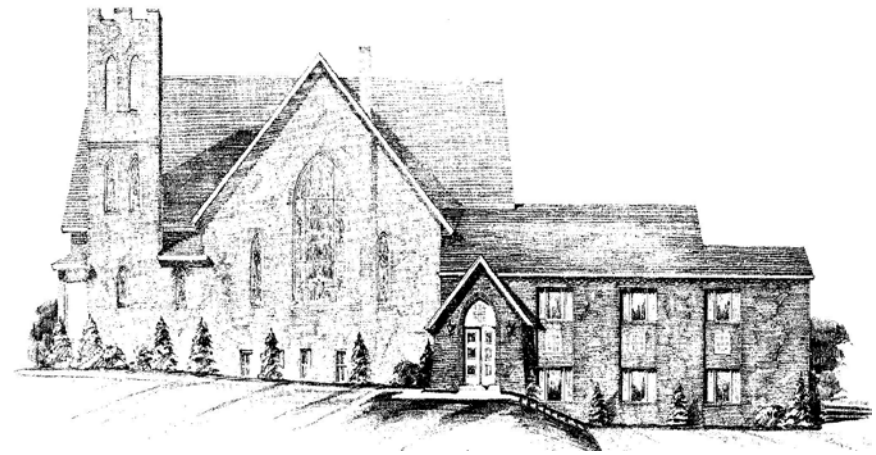
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Many Happy Returns to Mildred Smeltzer who just celebrated her 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

**THE ELDERTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**115 North Main Street  
Elderton, PA 15736**

**WORSHIP - 10:30 AM**



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**Secretary Office Hours:**

**Monday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**Wednesday & Friday – 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

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