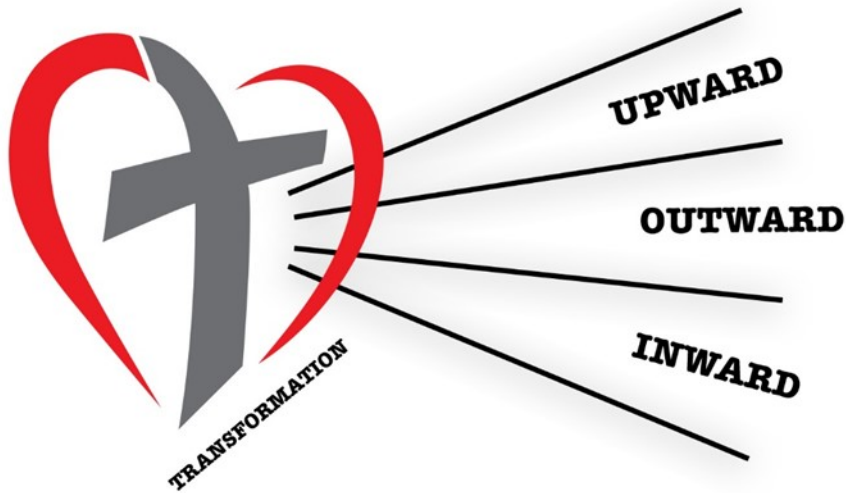


# Brunswick Reformed Church

3535 Grafton Road – Brunswick, OH 44212



We at BRC believe the love of Jesus brings transformation:

**INWARD** - As we experience the love of Jesus together in worship!

**UPWARD** - As we grow in grace and truth through small groups & Bible studies!

**OUTWARD** - As we participate together in the mission of Jesus by serving others and sharing our faith!



Lead Pastor- Dan Toot

Associate Pastor- Jay Carroll

Worship Services

Sunday 9:00 & 10:30 am

Adult Sunday School 9:00 & Children's Sunday School 10:30am

[www.b-r-c.org](http://www.b-r-c.org)

*Where the love of Jesus is transforming lives....*

**Welcome to Brunswick Reformed Church's worship celebrations.  
To make our mutual experience more enjoyable today please:**

- 1. Relax** - At BRC you can rest assured that you will not be embarrassed, singled out, or put on the spot.
- 2. Fill Out a Welcome Card** - These can be dropped in the offering plate later. The information won't be misused, and will help us know who's been here. It's also a great way to drop a note to, or request a contact from, a staff member.
- 3. Ask for Prayer** - If you have a prayer concern to share, pick up a prayer request form from the cart in back. Give completed forms to an usher or the pastor before the service begins.
- 4. Know There Are Options for Children –**
  - The small room in the right rear corner has rocking chairs where little ones can be rocked, quieted or nursed.
  - We have an excellent nursery for ages 0-3 at the far end of our education wing.
- 5. Join Us for Fellowship** - Coffee and juice are served in the fellowship area after each service. Join us and get acquainted. We do ask that you not take drinks into worship with you.
- 6. Do Not Feel Obligated to Give** - If you are a first-time guest, please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. This is a time when members and regular attendees honor God by giving to his work through this church. Let today be our gift to you.
- 7. "Give by Text" is available.** Simply send a text to 330-239-8652 with the amount you would like to contribute.
- 8. BRC is on the web**     [www.b-r-c.org](http://www.b-r-c.org)

**Who Is BRC?** We are a member of the Reformed Church in America, a Protestant denomination that goes back to the Reformation period in Europe when the Church was "reformed" according to the Word of God.

We are a mixture of Christians from many denominational backgrounds, all seeking to grow in our spiritual maturity as we live by faith with Jesus as our forgiver and leader.

**SERVING AT BRC**

**Sunday, December 10**

**Greeters** (9) – Bob & Nancy Hanwell  
(10:30) - Jim & Eileen Smalley

**Nursery** (9) – as needed  
(10:30) – Cheryl Carlisle, Savannah Dickens

**Ushers** (9) – Bob Jacobs, Dennis Parker  
Assisting – Eric Raich, Earl Holzheimer  
(10:30) - Ilze Fultz, Gary Brualdi  
Assisting – Steve Dickens, Pete Nixon

**Hospitality Team** - Bill & Nancy Sutton  
- Betty Shuster, Cindy Toom

**Elder** – Earl Gentile  
**Deacon** – Cindy Toom

**Sunday, December 17**

**Greeters** (9) – Mike & Arleen Pasko  
(10:30) – Ilze Fultz

**Nursery** (9) – as needed  
(10:30) – Cheryl Wright, Sami Coyne

**Ushers** (9) – Eric Raich, Earl Holzheimer  
Assisting – Rick Meyer, Paul Morgan  
(10:30) - Steve Dickens, Pete Nixon  
Assisting – Bob Besida, Eric Kramer

**Hospitality Team** - Bill & Nancy Sutton  
- Sheryl Feeney, Patty Walker & Kerri Reichenbach

**Elder** - Kathy Rounds  
**Deacon** - Brian Coyne

**Sunday, December 24**

**We are looking for volunteers for Christmas Eve-please mark your welcome card or contact Michelle if you can help [michelle@b-r-c.org](mailto:michelle@b-r-c.org)**

**Greeters** (10am)-  
(7pm)-  
(11pm)-

**Nursery** (10am) –  
(7pm) -

**Ushers** (10am) –  
Assisting –  
(7pm) -  
Assisting –  
(11pm) -  
Assisting –

**Hospitality Team** (10am only)  
- Bill & Nancy Sutton  
- Andrea Nixon, LuAnn Sweet

**Elder** (10am only) Mark Herbert  
**Deacon** (10am only)- Luke Carlisle

To get a cd of any of our sermons, simply write "cd" and the requested date on your Welcome Card. You'll find your requested cds on the shelf across from the kitchen. The sermon audio files, sermon outlines, study questions, verses, and bulletins are available on the church website [www.b-r-c.org](http://www.b-r-c.org).

## Christmas Concert TONIGHT 6pm

Come join us! There will be great music, great joy, with great people. Come celebrate Christmas with us as we celebrate the One who is the reason for the season!



**Santa's Workshop**  
**Sunday Dec 17th 6-7:30pm**  
Crafts for the whole family! Make gifts for parents or last minute gifts or decorations.



**10am** -On Christmas Eve we will be having 1 service in the morning at 10:00. This service will be like a regular Sunday morning worship service, but also spend some extra time focusing on the children of BRC. There will still be congregational singing, announcements, a message, prayer concerns, and yes even and offering that will be for our regular 2017 budget. The special offerings will be taken during our 7 and 11pm candlelight services.

**7pm and 11pm Special Christmas Eve candlelight services**



## Welcome to worship! Order of Worship

- \*Heart Preparation
- \*Time of Praise
- \*Recite catechism/ confession/ creed
- \*Announcements (children dismissed by pastor at this time during 10:30 service)
- \*Time of Praise
- \*Prayer
- \*Message
- \*Prayer Concerns/ Congregational Prayer (giving of our offerings)
- \*Time of Praise
- \*Doxology/ Benediction/ The Lord's Blessing



## Heidelberg Catechism Question

### Question 34. Why do you call him "our Lord"?

**Answer.** Because not with gold or silver, but with his precious blood he has set us free from sin and from the tyranny of the devil, and has bought us, body and soul, to be his very own.

## Sunday December 10, 2017

- 9:00 am: Worship service
- 9:00 am.: *Multiply* discipleship study, Green Room
- 9:00 am: Middle and High School Sunday School in the Youth Room
- 10:30 am.: Worship Service
- 10:45 am.: Children's Sunday School for Pre-K through 5th Grade
- 12:00 pm: Worship team, Youth Room
- 6:00 pm: Christmas Concert



**Join us for a Christmas potluck on Wednesday December 13th at noon** in the Green room!  
Bring a dish of your choice. Everyone is welcome!  
Please RSVP to Gina Koch 440-238-8793 or [ginak@aol.com](mailto:ginak@aol.com) Thank you!

**Titus 2 Women's Bible Study** will be studying "The Differences Between Men and Women" for the next 2 sessions – December 13th and January 4th



### ***Prayer Concerns:***

Eileen Ondrejach has been diagnosed with liver cancer. Please pray for her this week as she will be having a biopsy done to see what kind of treatment she will need. She is very discouraged at this point because she is also easily tired and in pain when she walks.

Continue faithful in prayer for those with ongoing health concerns: Marie Buser, Bob Cooperrider, Rick Demeter, Emerson Draiss, Sue Exoo, Jeanette Fagan, Nancy & Bob Hanwell, Zak Harbaugh, Rose Murray, Eileen Raich, Gini Reinke, Dick Read, Gene Shuster, Nancy Sutton, Ted Szenger, and Margaret Zapotechne. Continue to pray for our military personnel.



GriefShare is a thirteen week video seminar and support group for people who are grieving the death of someone close to them. It's a place to be around people who understand what you are feeling. At GriefShare, you'll learn valuable information about recovering from your grief and renewing your hope for the future. Check the website for current schedule [www.b-r-c.org](http://www.b-r-c.org)

So how do we make sure we are joyfully praising God?

By taking the focus off of us and putting it back on to God.

Stanza 3 – (Verses 7-9)

David personifies the sea, the world, the rivers, and the mountains giving them the ability to \_\_\_\_\_

Other times creation cries out to God: Isaiah 55:12, Luke 19:40, Revelation 5:13.

David tells us that creation is already singing to God because he comes to \_\_\_\_\_.

Creation doesn't need to fear God's judgment because they do what they are supposed to do without sin.

We do not need to fear God's judgement either because of what Christ has done for us.

Challenges:

- 1) Look back upon your life and see all the wonderful things God has done for you, so you know what to praise him for.
- 2) Praise God joyfully \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) Prepare room for Jesus in your heart.

**THIS WEEK:**

Monday: **GriefShare**, meets from 7-9 p.m., Green Room

Wednesday: **Women of Wisdom and Men's Sermon based small group**, *Echoes of the Reformation*, 10am-12pm, Green Room

**Titus 2 Women's Bible Study**, 9:30am-11:15am, Red Room, with childcare

**Sermon based small group**, 6:30pm-8pm, Green Room

Thursday: **God's Friends Forever**, 6:30pm-8pm, fellowship area

**Worship Team rehearsal**, 7:15pm

Friday: **Shining Stars** meet at Southwest Commons at 1:30 p.m., studying *Joshua*

Saturday: **REFIT®**, 9am-10am, fellowship area

**Sermon-based questions are available in the fellowship area and on the website**

Our offering last Sunday totaled \$11,534.00 (\$8452.04 needed for budget).



## REACT Student Ministries.....

For Sunday, December 10th

9:00 a.m. Sunday School in the Youth Room



**TONIGHT** –Celebrate the season with us at BRC's Christmas concert!



**December 17th** –Youth group service project helping with Santa's Workshop 6-8pm



**December 24th 12 noon-Pancakes at David's!**  
1277 Saxon –please let David know if you plan to attend!



**Volunteers are needed to ring the bell for the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign** at Giant Eagle in Brunswick December 11-15th 4pm-9pm. Sign up with signup genius link or contact Michelle Morgan michelle@b-r-c.org Let's fill all the slots!



## 12-10-17 Sermon Title: Joy to the World

Joy to the World is one of my absolute favorite Christmas songs.

*Joy to the World* was published in 1719 by Isaac Watts and is based on

### **Psalm 98:1-9**

#### Stanza 1 – (Verses 1-3)

The Psalmist is telling us is that we need to sing praises to God because of the things He has done in our past and the things he is doing in

A great example for us this time of year is Mary the mother of Jesus

### **Luke 1:46-55**

David- Sing to the LORD a new song

Mary - My soul glorifies/praises the Lord.

David -For He has done marvelous things

Mary - He has performed mighty deeds with his arm

David - He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel

Mary - He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful.

We also must remember that God is the \_\_\_\_\_ today as he was when David wrote this Psalm, loving and faithful, with the power to save.

#### Stanza 2 – (Verses 4-6)

It doesn't matter if you make music with an instrument or with your voice, it doesn't say what kind or type of music to make, but David does tell us *how* we are to make music, \_\_\_\_\_.