

The Brunswick Seventh-day Adventist Church presents:

# The Greatest Gift

The Christmas Story told  
with Music and Drama!



**December 9, 2017**  
**4 pm & 7 pm**

**Call 207.729.3346 for Free Tickets.**

333 Maine Street, Brunswick, Maine 04011

## Church Calendar

<b>Sunday, Dec. 03:</b>	9:15 am - Bell Choir Practice 10 am - Service 11:15 am - Choir Practice
<b>Monday, Dec. 04:</b>	7 pm - Deacons Meeting
<b>Tuesday, Dec. 05:</b>	11 am - Women's Fellowship
<b>Thursday, Dec. 07:</b>	11 am - Bible Study, parlor
<b>Friday, Dec. 08:</b>	10 am - Missions
<b>Saturday, Dec. 09:</b>	10 am ? - Soupers

Do you have a bulletin announcement? Please submit it by Wednesday, 9 am, the week before.  
Email to: [adminassist@elijahkelloggchurch.org](mailto:adminassist@elijahkelloggchurch.org). Thank you.



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**Communion Service**  
**December 03, 2017**

Welcome to Elijah Kellogg Church! We are glad that you could be with us this morning!

Please let us know how we can be of service to you. Feel free to fill out an information card found in the pew, and place it in the offering plate.

Sunday School for young children is provided. Child care for small children is available.

Please join us for our Coffee Hour following the morning service.

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Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Introit and Quieting our Hearts for Worship

**\*Call to Worship** (Responsive) from Psalm 80

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,  
You who lead Israel like a flock.

**Stir up your might,  
and come to save us!**

Let your hand be upon the One  
whom You made strong for yourself.

**Restore us, O God.  
Let your face shine,  
that we may be saved.**

Service

**\*Prayer of Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (in Unison)**

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**\*Hymn 114 “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”**

Lighting of the Advent Candles The Braley Family

Hymn 103 “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” (vs. 1)

(The children are dismissed to Sunday School.  
Child care for young children is available.)

First Lesson Mark 13:32-37 Pew Bible, p. 826

**Owning Our Church Covenant (in unison)**

We covenant with one another to seek and respond to the Word and the Will of God. We purpose to walk together in the ways of the Lord, made known and to be made known to us. We hold it to be the mission of the Church to witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ in all the world, while worshipping God and striving for truth, justice and peace. As did our forebears, we depend on the Holy Spirit to lead and empower us. We pray for the coming of the Kingdom of God, and we look with faith toward the triumph of righteousness and eternal life.

**\*Gloria Patri 513**

Anthem "O Come to Set Us Free" Ron Trell, rhythm  
(arr. Mary McDonald)

Prayers of the People  
Sharing Joys and Concerns  
Silent Prayer  
Pastoral Prayer  
Choral Response

**Poinsettias and more... Order 2017**

Our Church will be decorated with a grand array of poinsettias and wreaths for the Christmas season. If you wish to donate plants or wreaths to decorate the church, please complete this form and either place in the Flower Committee mailbox or give to a Flower Committee member.

The cost of each poinsettia plant will be \$12.00. Wreaths, which will remain up for the holiday season, will be \$10.00. Checks made payable to Elijah Kellogg Church should be received by **Friday morning, December 10th**. You can pick up your poinsettia in the sanctuary after the Christmas services.

**I would like to have \_\_\_\_\_ plant(s) to beautify the sanctuary.**

Poinsettia color choice: Red \_\_\_\_\_  
White \_\_\_\_\_  
Pink \_\_\_\_\_  
No color preference \_\_\_\_\_

**I will donate \_\_\_\_\_ wreath(s).**

Please list in the bulletin as follows:

In loving memory of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

In honor of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information please contact a Flower Committee member:

Linda Gillis, Kay Hunter, Mickey Maidl  
Patty O’Brien Carrier, Joan Phillips.

# 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MUSIC SUNDAY



**Sunday, December 17**  
**10 am**

**Elijah Kellogg Church**  
**917 Harpswell Neck Rd.**

**Music and readings to celebrate the season!**

**Featuring: The EKC Choir; Liz Cromwell, pianist; with special guest instrumentalists: Louise Huntington, viola; Kate Gray, violinist; Wendy McClenahan, flutist. And the Youth Bell Choir!**

**O, COME LET US ADORE HIM!**

## Service

Call to Giving  
Offertory  
**\*Doxology 515**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Second Lesson      1 Thessalonians 5:1-11      Pew Bible, p. 960

Meditation      “What I say to you, I say to all: Keep awake!”

**\*Hymn 110**      **“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”**

Communion  
  Invitation  
  Prayer  
  The Giving of the Bread\*\*  
  The Giving of the Cup  
  Thanksgiving

\*\*Gluten-free bread is available for Communion and can be found in the center cups of each tray.

**\*Hymn 109**      **“Watchman, Tell Us of the Night”**

**\*Benediction**

Choral Blessing

\*All who are able, please stand.

## Serving You this Morning

<b>Minister</b>	Rev. John Carson
<b>Christian Education Director</b>	Denise Perry
<b>Pianist</b>	Elizabeth Cromwell
<b>Choir Director</b>	Sue Luce
<b>Greeters</b>	Diane St. Jean, Pat Moody
<b>Ushers</b>	Signe & Rick Daniel
<b>Reader</b>	Pat Myer
<b>Nursery Attendants</b>	Linda Clement
<b>Trustee</b>	Dave Fitzgerald, 324-1811
<b>Hospitality</b>	Hospitality



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## Notes & News

**Deacons' Meeting**, tomorrow Dec. 4, here at 7 pm.

**Women's Fellowship** will meet this Tuesday for our annual Christmas festivities. Bring an appetizer, and a kitchen towel for the Yankee Swap. The nursery school will have a table set up to order Usborne books, so bring cash or check in case you may be interested in purchasing some! Hope to see you all at 11 am! No meeting in January. Elly Cary

**Salvation Army "Wish Tree"**: The Salvation Army "Wish Tree" is on display in Fellowship Hall. On it you will find cards for girls and boys. Each card will show the child's age, toys that the child hopes to receive, and clothing sizes. Don't feel that you need to purchase everything that's listed on the card, but please consider bringing Christmas joy to an area child. Gifts should be un-wrapped and placed under the tree by Sunday, December 17. Please attach the "wish card" to your gifts. Have fun shopping and thank you for your generosity.

**Bible Study** meets Thursdays at 11 am in the parlor. Please join us!

**Missions Meeting**, this Friday the 8th at 10 am.

**Book Group**: No meeting in December. January's meeting is here on the 15th at 1 pm. The book choice is *Truman* by David McCullough.

**Cribbage** meets Wednesday, Dec. 27th, 7 pm in Fellowship Hall.

### Faith & Family

*Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6*

**Giving a warm blanket is like giving a warm hug!** We will be accepting CWS Blankets+ donations until December 17th.

