

MENNO MENNONITE CHURCH

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10:00 a.m. Worship—11:00am Sunday School for all ages

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9:15-9:45: Prayer time in the library to seek God's guidance for what He has for us at Menno.

Song Leader: Cleon Claassen

Accompanist: Melanie Gering

Greeter: Gary Jantz

Advent Family: The Burkholders

WELCOME TO MENNO

Prelude Brandon Swinger

Call to Worship Isaiah 9:6

Hymn: HWB #182 “Oh, How Shall I Receive Thee?”

Hymn: HWB #185 “Hail to the Lamb's Anointed”

Announcements, Concerns, Joys

ADVENT: LIGHTING OF THE SECOND CANDLE, FOR PEACE

L: Prepare the way of the Lord, for things are about to change.

P: Every valley shall be filled in and every mountain made low.

L: As we await the coming of the Messiah, we are called to prepare our hearts for His coming.

P: We are called to turn around, repent, and allow God to renew us and work within us.

All: Then we will see the salvation of our God.

Prayer in unison:

Merciful God, during this busy, bustling season, quiet us, so we may hear your voice. Forgive us when we have failed; renew

your Spirit within us; change our hearts to be more loving, more caring, and more forgiving. Lead us, God, as we prepare

ourselves for the coming of the Christ Child. Amen

Offering:

Hymn # 1 STS

Scripture Reading:

Message: “Peace Realized”

Closing Hymn: HWB # 301

Benediction

Offertory by Zane Swinger

“Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness”

John 14:22-27

Pastor Lyn Hershey

“Joys are Flowing Like a River”

*Menno Mennonite Church, a Christian Anabaptist
Community, equips believers through relevant Worship and
Study, and expresses God's love to others through Stewardship
and Service.*

Next Sunday

Greeter: Earl Franz

Song Leader: Warren Gering

Accompanist: Katherine Swinger

Advent Family: The Morse Family

Deacon nomination ballots were mailed and are due by noon TODAY.

REMINDER—Any reports for the Annual Business Meeting are due no later than January 2, 2018.

COMING ACTIVITIES

ADVENT—The four weeks prior to Christmas, when we reflect about the gifts of Jesus, as the Messiah, that persons had been looking for. The Jews had waited many years for Messiah to be born, to become our Messiah.

16th—3rd Sunday of Advent, focusing on Joy. There will be a children's Christmas play in this service. Following the service and Sunday School, there will be two special events: The Christmas sacks will be shared and a lunch will be served

23rd—4th Sunday of Advent, focusing on Love.

FOR IN THE FUTURE: Our annual meeting and election of officers and committees will be January 26th. Be praying about how God wants you to take part in Menno life and/or who you might tap on the shoulder to encourage to take a position.

Menno Women in Mission meet on Thursday, Dec. 13, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Plan to come to help with projects and lunch of soup and bread. We will be packing good used clothing for MCC Etc. Shops and local clothing banks as well as other projects to benefit persons in need. Fellowship and working together go hand in hand!! Mark your calendar!

CONGRATULATIONS—

Our Erin Morse, just received a 2018 Opal and Bill Binnion Memorial award in recognition of her commitment to promoting the educational efforts and programs of the National Agricultural Aviation Association.

Food Bank- Food has been purchased by Linda Reimer for Menno's giving for Christmas food baskets by the Food Bank.. If you would like to take part in that, you may give your donation to her.

BLESSINGS TO EACH OF YOU as part of God's Family at Menno!

There will be no Christmas Eve Service at Menno. You are invited to have your family service—can borrow candles from Menno—or attend one in the community.