



**Menno
Mennonite
Church**

December 15, 2024

Worship 10:00 AM

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Prelude

Welcome, Announcements

Barb Franz

Call to Worship

Leader: Merciful One: you anoint us for justice, you call us to you.

People: Your Spirit is poured out upon us.

Leader: Yours is the way of release and restoration.

People: May your love flow through us to heal the brokenhearted.

May we declare your good news to bring hope to the poor.

Leader: You anoint us; we are yours.

People: We delight and rejoice in you.

Praising

Come, Walk with Us

VT 23

O Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

VT 275

Candle Lighting

**All: Give us eyes to notice those on the fringes and arms to extend our boundaries,
inviting all to become woven into our communities.**

Scripture

Luke 4:16-21

Barb Franz

Children's Story

Becca Burkholder

Prayer

Offering *Away in the Manger*

VT 257

Message

A Life of Jubilee

Emily Toews

Isaiah 61

How Many Times we Start Again

VT 553

Sharing & Pastoral Prayer

Go Tell it on the Mountain

VT 252

Benediction

Announcements

The Senior Adult Sunday School class will not meet on Sunday December 29.

There will be no Social Hour following the church service on Sunday December 29.

Deacon Nomination ballots are due today.

If you are planning to attend Christmas Eve and would be willing to help with reading please contact Bryce and Emily.

It is Annual Report time: We appreciate the time it takes to report on what has gone on at Menno for 2024. If you have a report to do, we need it by January 8 in preparation for our congregational meeting on January 25. Please contact Bryce with any questions.

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

CAMREC Program Committee is looking for input on dates for summer camp this coming summer. This summer is particularly busy with convention and other elements to consider, so we would like to test a number of calendars with everyone for feedback. We have put a survey together and would welcome input, especially from families with people attending camp as well as volunteers. Please find the survey at mennomennonite.org/camrec25.

News from MDS: The Elk Project plans to start early next year and it is time to secure commitments for the specific dates listed below. Six houses in the ELK area are prepped and ready for the finish work. This includes tasks like insulation, drywall, interior doors, painting, flooring, trim, cabinets, countertops, etc. We need all skill levels! There are also several CONEX temporary housing units requiring finish work inside, which means plenty of work starting in January.

There is lodging close by. We have a limited number of beds, so please confirm your dates and party size. Ideally, volunteers can stay both weeks, but single-week stays are understood. Multiple visits are encouraged, as there are more houses lined up after these six, with another ten in the pipeline. Please plan to join us! Particular dates include: Jan. 12th and 19th, Feb. 16th and 23rd, Mar. 23rd and 30th.

<u>Upcoming Menno Events:</u>	
December 22, 3 PM	Ritzville Christmas Community Carol Sing, Emmanuel Lutheran Church
December 24, 6 PM	Christmas Eve Service

Worship Contributors	
This Sunday	Next Sunday
Speaker: Emily Toews	Speaker: Bryce Miller
Worship Leader: Barb Franz	Worship Leader: Bryce Miller
Accompanist: Music Team	Accompanist: Sharon Meyer
Greeters: Randy and Barb Franz	Greeters: Butch Gering
AV Support (Self Scheduled): Cleon Claassen, Bill Dyck, Reed Meyer, Doug Claassen	

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