

Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

By God's Grace, Zion Mennonite Church will be a House of Peace where all people are invited to share Christ's love with each other and the world.

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December 26, 2021

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Zion Activities this week

Sunday, December 26

9:30am ~ Worship (in-person & Zoom)

Monday, December 27 ~ Office Closed

Thursday, December 30

6:30 am ~ Men's Prayer

7:00 pm ~ AA

9:00 pm ~ CHAOS overnight (7&8th grade)

Friday, December 31 ~ Office Closed

Saturday, January 1 ~ Happy New Year

Sunday, January 2

9:30am ~ Worship (in-person & Zoom)

Order of Service

Prelude ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Welcome & Announcements ~

Mark Nafziger

Interlude ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Call to Worship ~ Mark Nafziger

Opening Prayer ~ Mark Nafziger

Advent Candle Lighting ~

Reiss Creighton & Leah Roth

Recorded Song ~

May You Find A Light (The Brilliance)

Offering ~ Mark Nafziger/Bonnie Stuckey

Special Music ~ Anita, Kate & Leah Roth

Holy Child Within the Manger

Scripture ~ Luke 2:41-52

Sermon ~ Corben Weaver Boshart

Confession & Assurance ~ Mark Nafziger

Prayer for the Church and World ~

Corben Weaver Boshart

Hymns ~ Mara Weaver Boshart

“Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah” (HWB 50)

“Oh come, all ye faithful” (HWB 212)

“To us a Child of hope is born” (HWB 189)

Benediction ~ Corben Weaver Boshart

Sending Song ~ Mara Weaver Boshart

“Oh, how joyfully” (HWB 209)

Office News

~ The church office will be closed **Monday, December 27th**, and **Friday, December 31st** for the holidays.

~ Sue will be out of the office December 27-30th.

~ Corben will be out of the office December 27-January 1st.

~ **Pastoral coverage:** If you are in need of pastoral care Monday - Wednesday (Dec 27-29) please contact elder chair, Lonnie Short (419-583-9567) and he will connect you with an elder to assist you.

Happy Birthday:

December 30 - Nedra Sauder

December 31 - Kathy Beck

Happy Anniversary:

December 26 - Ned & Mary Gisel (50)

December 26 - David & Lou Ann Kanagy (57)

December 28 - Scott & Barb Yoder (30)

December 30 - Kelvin Friesen & Karen Rodriguez (4)

December 31 - Al & Ginny Liechty (49)



Upcoming Worship

Advent 2021 - "Dare to Imagine": This season, we'll shift our attention to the natural world, particularly the wonder of the heavens, as we anticipate the birth of Jesus. The writers of this year's materials describe their theme in this way: "So much [in our lives] has been put on hold or turned upside down that we need to listen and respond to God's presence with new ears and renewed hearts and minds. As we anticipate a new year ahead, let's dare to imagine our path ahead toward God's good dream for our world."

Christmas Eve Service - December 24th at 7:00 pm: Join us on Christmas Eve, along with your family and friends, for our annual evening of worship. This will be a short service of scripture, carols, a story and fun for children, and the traditional candlelight singing of "Silent Night." There will also be an opportunity to support the Aid Fund.

Advent V - December 26th: *"Dare to Imagine God's Robe"*

1 Samuel 2:18-20 & 26, Psalm 148, Colossians 3:12-17, Luke 2:41-52

January 2, 2022 - a reflective Sunday morning worship service looking back at where we have come this past year, and imagining ahead with hope. Joshua 4:1-9, Psalm 105:1-7

Thank You

Special thanks to Kelvin Friesen, Karen Rodriguez and Meleah Plank for the Children's time videos during Advent. Thanks also to Jodi Nofziger and all of her helpers for the beautiful stars and decorations.

