

FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2011

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

ORGANIST - Dr. Scott Lehman ✨ SONG LEADER- Brent Hyman

Prelude

*Savior of the Nations, Come/Buxtehude
Awake, Awake for Night Is Flying/Bach*

Video: Christmas Worship Intro

**Here I Am to Worship*

*Prayer

**Jesus Messiah*

**In Christ Alone*

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Reading

Carson and Ashley Sprunger

Light Candle of Prophecy/Hope

#172 [blue] *O Come, O Come, Immanuel (v. 1)*

Prayer

*#295 [blue] *Christ Is Coming! (vs. 1,2,4)*

Anthem: *And the Glory of the Lord*

Handel

Chancel Choir

Children's Story

Alexa Sindone

Children ages 3-K may go to children's church following the story.

Offering

for Household Treasury/Local Ministries/Steve Lehman

Offertory

My Life Flows On/Lowry

Scott Lehman & Heather Eicher-Miller

Guests, please fill out the cards in the pew and drop in the offering plate.

Scripture

Isaiah 11:1-10/Brian Culy

Message

A Season of Hope/Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*#211 [blue] *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming (vs. 1,2)*

*#178 [blue] *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Prayer and Share

Pastor Jerry Flueckiger

*#235 [brown] *Take the Name of Jesus with You (v.1)*

*Benediction

Pastor Jeff Linthicum

If you would like someone to pray with you following the service, you may go to the chapel where someone is there to pray with you.

*Postlude

The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns/Johnson

*We invite you to stand if you are able

TODAY AT FIRST MENNONITE

On the scanner and TV today is the Chapel class.

Today is Project Share. Please place your items on the table in the foyer designated for this.

No youth tonight

- 5:15 p.m. Junior Quizzing
- 6:30 p.m. Evening Service – Service of Thanks & Praise
- 8:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – November 28

- 6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour
- 7:00 p.m. Mennonite Choral Society Rehearsal
- 7-9 p.m. Prayer Room is open to anyone for a prayer meeting.

WEDNESDAY – November 29

- 5:00 p.m. Adult Bell Choir
- 5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal
- 6:10 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsals
- 6:15 p.m. Grades 1-5–Christmas program practice
- 6:50 p.m. Imago Dei – Talk Back and Coffee House (old youth room)
- 7:00 p.m. Nursery for up to age 2
- 7:00 p.m. Age 2-3- Toddler Nursery
- 7:00 p.m. Age 4-K – *Heroes of the Bible* - room at the bottom of the ramp
- 7:00 p.m. Adults–chapel *Day of Discovery* DVD: Romans
- 7:00 p.m. Christian Faith Forum–When There is Divorce–Park Center–rm. 17
- 7:00 p.m. *Secret Church* video & discussion series led by Darin Ringger & Chad Gilbert in room 15.
- 7:00 p.m. Prayer Room for corporate prayer
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Ministries – Project Committee Room
- 7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 8:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY – December 3

- 7:00 p.m. Handel's *Messiah* presented by the Mennonite Choral Society

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The offering today is for the Household Treasury/Local Ministries. Next Sunday it is for Mennonite Mission Network Overseas.

Menu for Wed., November 30: Bratwurst, green beans, dessert & beverages.

On Tuesdays for the month of November, **Loyal Workers Class** will set up the tables for the Wednesday evening meals. For December, it will be the **Intergenerational Class**.

Need Volunteers for Family Life Center to clean and sweep the building for next year, 2012. See Kent Frank or Kendall Lehman if you are willing to volunteer your time.

Get to know Avery & Bracey: If you volunteer with Avery and Bracey Hill or would like to, we invite you to come to a time of learning more about these lovely ladies and how we can become better helpers to them. Join us Tuesday, November 29th, from 7-8 p.m. in the Family Life Center.

WM Movie Night... Come celebrate the beginning of the Christmas season with First Mennonite Women's Ministries. Our casual December meeting will be held in the Family Life Center on December 8, 2011 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Invite a friend to join us and watch a Max Lucado story, **Christmas Child**, starring Steven Curtis Chapman. **"Christmas Child"** is based on Lucado's book The Christmas Child: A story of Coming Home. Hope to see you there!

Parents: We are excited to begin using the Family Life Center for Children's Church (Grades 1-4)! The kids will benefit from the larger space available for Bible-related activities and our facility will yet again be put to good use. Please remember to pick your children up at the Family Life Center doors after the service today. Thank you!

Practice for the Children's Christmas musical (grades 1-5) will be from 6:15 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, November 30 and December 7 in the Family Life Center. These are the final rehearsals. Please come to dinner early so you can send your child to practice on time! The musical "Christmas Hang-ups" will be presented on Sunday, December 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center.

Class 96 is hosting a baby shower for Darin and Kim Ringger. They are once again opening their home to a little boy from Burkina Faso. His name is Arnell and he is 1 year old. He is expected to be in the United States for 6-9 months to correct club feet. Items being collected are size 3 & 4 diapers, wipes, travel snacks (i.e. animal crackers), and money/gas cards for the many trips to Fort Wayne. Donated items are being collected in front of HeBrews through November. Money and gas cards can be left in the office or given to the Ringgers or Chris Hyman.

Camp Luz is seeking to hire a ¾ time Program Manager. For job description detail, go to www.campluz.com. If you have any questions, call Andrew Michaels at 330.683.1246 or email Andrew@campluz.com.

GROWTH would like to thank all of the home gardeners and urban farmers who donated their surplus produce this past summer to Adams County families in need. Despite a difficult growing season, over 200 lbs. of fresh produce were donated to Compassionate Ministries. With your help, many residents were able to get fresh corn, green beans, onions, squash, tomatoes, and zucchini for their summer dinners. While the growing season is past for this year, we ask you to prayerfully consider joining with us again next gardening season.