

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Class:

Teachers:

- Early Childhood (*Ages 0-3 years*)..... Parents
- Preschool (*Ages 4-5 years*)..... Joanna Woodsmall, Debbie Giles
- Primary (*Grades 2 & 3*)..... Veronika Sukup, Bonnie Beachy
- Middler (*Grades 4 & 5*) Jim Beachy, Doris Weaver
- Junior High (*Grades 6, 7, & 8*)..... Dana Bumbalough, Matt Pflederer
- Youth (*Grades 9-12*)..... Evie Shellenberger

Adult Class: Winter Quarterly Bible Study “*Jesus is Lord: Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians,*”
 Facilitated by Craig Bumbalough

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Our souls magnify you, our God.
 Our spirits rejoice in you, our Savior.

**ALL: You have looked with favor on your lowly servants;
 because of you, we are called “blessed.”**

One: You have scattered the proud
 and brought down the mighty.

**ALL: You have raised up the lowly
 and filled the hungry.
 You have remembered your mercy
 helping those in need and their descendants forever.**

PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



December 23, 2012

*We welcome all persons to worship, study
 and fellowship with us as we continually
 seek to be faithful disciples of Jesus*

Fourth Sunday of Advent

"Flood of Mercy"

Focus: God's flood of mercy is unleashed through the belief & obedience of Mary & Elizabeth.

Gathering to Worship

- Gathering Song – O come, all ye faithful H 212
- Welcome and Introductions
- Call to Worship – back of the bulletin

Singing our Faith

- Hark! the herald angels sing H 201
- Silent Night
- Do you hear what I hear?

Offering - *Special giving for December goes to Hospice & LIFE Pregnancy Center*

“What child is this?” – Hannah Thill

Hearing the Word

- Children’s Story
- Scripture: *Micah 5;2-5a, Luke 1:39-56*
- Meditation: *A leaping baby and songs of praise*

Confession & Assurance

Responses

Sharing Joys and Concerns / Prayer

Announcements

Sending Song – Joy to the World H 318

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OUR COVENANT

In covenanting together, we affirm that Jesus Christ is Lord. We gratefully acknowledge him as our Lord and accept his teaching as the way to live. We recognize the importance of:

- Regular Bible study, worship with others, and prayer as a vital part of our Christian life.
- Taking each other seriously, contributing our gifts and caring for one another in love to strengthen the Christian body.
- Living and sharing the Good News as Christ has taught us and as the Holy Spirit enables.

TODAY

Although the world is filled with sorrow and injustice, evil does not have the last word. Mary and Elizabeth are role models to us of obedience and giving praise to God.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Shalom Sunday and we will be meeting at 11 o'clock for an informal time of worship and then will share in a potluck dinner at noon. For worship we will focus on the past year and anticipate the new year. Be thinking about how God has been present and a help to you the past year and a hope that you carry for the new year ahead. More information will be coming this week about ways to prepare for that time. Evie (for the Shalom Committee)

UP-COMING EVENTS

Jan. 27 – PMF Covenant Service
Feb. 2-3 – PMF Winter Retreat

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor’s holiday travel: Matt will be away Mon. 24th through Tues. Jan. 1st.
Rebecca will be away Sun. 23rd (afternoon) through Wed. 26th (morning); then also Sun. 30th (afternoon) through Wed. 2nd.
For pastoral care needs while both Rebecca & Matt are away, please contact one of the Elders: Marlene, Ted, or Mica.

See the bulletin board for Christmas letters from Sarah Palmatier, and Jorge & Lynn Mogrovejos.

PMF is one of the congregations sponsoring the “Family Peace-builders Camp” in Americas, GA this summer. PMF has designated camperships to help families with expenses. Interested in learning more? Please contact Ted Larrison.

FOR PRAYER

Pray for those for whom the Christmas season brings feelings of loneliness or grief. Ask God to show you how you might bring comfort and light to these people.

Pray for the Thill family as they grieve the death of Curtis’ father Marvin

Pray for Deb Giles and family. Pray that the application for Medicaid would be approved to assist with Sam’s care.

Give thanks that Danny Parsons’ leg is showing signs of healing. Continue to pray for strength and patience through this long process.

Pray for all those who long for physical healing, including Bonnie Beachy, Mickey and Mishelle Lewellen.

Pray for Hannah and Madeline Ford; that they may experience healing, and for wisdom and peace for Cristi and the family.

<u>TODAY</u> <i>December 16, 2012 (worship at 9:30)</i> <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i> Worship Leader: Ted Larrison Music Leader: Marlene Beachy Meditation: Rebecca Kauffman Greeter: Mishelle Lewellyn Nursery: Cynthia Parsons & Dave Mullet A.V.: Craig Bumbalough Visual: Sherri Schmidt	<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u> <i>December 30, 2012 (worship at 11:00)</i> <i>Shalom Sunday</i> Worship Leader: Music Leader: Meditation: Greeters: Nursery: AV:
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