CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Class: Teachers:

Adult Class: Bible study on "Acts of Worship" using passages from Psalms, Daniel, and the NT.

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us worship in faith the God who is here and desires our worship [pause].

Incarnate God, work in our hearts, that our worship would be filled with the joy

that comes from remembering your beauty.

All: In a little child, God is revealed to us.

Leader: This is God's plan of freedom, held up for the nations to see.

People: A revealing light to all peoples, the glory of God's kingdom people.

Leader: We rejoice in our rescue and celebrate creation's redemption.

People: The hills and the mountains praise the Lord.

Leader: The animals, wild and tame, all kings and peoples of the earth; lightning and

hail, snow and fog, women and men, old and young,

All: All praise the Lord together, our Messiah has come. Alleluia!

FOR PRAYER

Continue to pray for Deb Giles and her family as they continue to morn the loss of Deb's mother. Pray for continued emotional and physical strength as they journey through this challenging time.

Continue to pray for strengh and comfort for those who are living with cancer, including: Sarah W., Lewellyn, Donald Parsons and Pam Guess

We remember and pray for protection, wisdom and courage for mission workers who are building up churches in areas where it is difficult to be a Christian.

PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



December 28, 2014

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

Your Beauty is Revealed

Gathering to Worship

Gathering Song: O Come all Ye Faithful – H212 Welcome and introductions Call to Worship (see back of bulletin)

Singing Our Faith

The First Noel - H199 Little Drummer Boy My Soul is filled with Joy - SS 13

Confession (see insert)

Opportunities for Generosity - Special giving for December to Life Family Resource Center

Hearing and Experiencing God's Word

Children's time Scripture: Luke 2:22-40 Meditation

Responses

Sharing joy and concerns / intercessory prayer

Announcements

Sending song: Hope is a Candle-SS 15

Benediction

PASTOR-ELDER TEAM

Rebecca Kauffman, Pastor 653-4140
Matt Pflederer, Pastor 653-4131
Mary Beth Gibbons 723-2723
Ted Larrison 723-3826

MINISTERS

All the congregation

CHURCH OFFICE

Pastors: Rebecca Kauffman; Office Hours - Tues 9-4, Wed 9-1, Thurs 1-5

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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 Dec. 28,, 2014 (worship at 9:30)

Oh, that you would reveal your mystery

Worship Leader: Jamey Sullivan

Music Leader: Joanna & Dave Woodsmall

Meditation: Matt Pflederer

Greeters: Ted and Darlene Larrison

Nursery: Andrew Blount/Crystal

Shellenberger

A.V.: Craig Bumbalough

NEXT SUNDAY Jan. 4, 2015 (worship at 9:30)

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Worship Leader: Matt Pflederer

Music Leader: Joanna and Dave Woodsmall

Meditation: Dave Brown-Kinloch

Greeters:

Nursery: Jon Shellenberger/Veronika Sukup

AV: Craig Bumbalough

TODAY

"Joy to the World the Lord has come let earth receive.. a sign that will be opposed and will be the rise and fall of many(???). In the midst of our Christmas celebrations a dissonant story comes to us today; a story that involves old radicals, a dangerous prophecy and the specter of death.

NEXT SUNDAY

Epiphany Sunday! It is the time when God's great gift of grace invites all peoples to share in the riches of Christ.

This Week

Tues. Dec. 30, PET mtg. 2:00 pm.

UPCOMING

Jan. 11, MYF will attend the IU women's basketball game in Bloomington.

Jan. 16-18, Winter High School Retreat at Amigo Centre

Sunday, Jan. 25, Covenant service.

Feb. 7-8 - PMF Winter Retreat at Mount St. Francis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Matt will be gone Dec. 31-Jan. 2.

Please note a **new email** address for Dessica Albertson: dalbertson328@gmail.com

New in magazine rack: The fall/winter issue of *Bulletin, the magazine* from Goshen College and *today,* Hesston College magazine.

New on the bulletin board: Christmas greetings from the McIntosh's and thank you from Mennonite Central Committee.

Confession of faith

Leader: O Lord, we confess our joy in you. We cannot keep silent.

People: You came to live among us and have brought us salvation.

Leader: Your salvation is for all peoples, all cultures, all religious

communities, all humanity.

People: Because you gave us a new name and have declared us

beautiful, we cannot keep silent.

Leader: When the time was right, God sent us his Son.

People: Let us praise the Lord for drawing near to us, for coming

among us.

Leader: Come, young and old, male and female, all God's people. Let us

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