

## Prayer notes

Prayer concerns / requests

## Ministry leadership team

Howard Garver ..... Interim lead pastor  
Gina Burkhart ..... Associate pastor  
Jordan Farrell ..... Associate pastor of youth and young adults  
Marcy Goehrig ..... Minister of worship  
Nancy Roth ..... Minister of Christian education  
Jennifer Bowman Sauder ..... Minister of missional life  
Leon and Nancy Stauffer ..... Ministers of stewardship  
Rhonda Nissley and Renee Suydam ..... Ministers of community life

Our pastors welcome opportunities to connect with you. If you wish to reach a pastor during the week at the church office, you may call 898-0071 or contact Howard Garver at (941) 330-3987 ([hgarver@landisvillemennonite.org](mailto:hgarver@landisvillemennonite.org)), Gina Burkhart at 665-3423 ([gburkhart@landisvillemennonite.org](mailto:gburkhart@landisvillemennonite.org)), or Jordan Farrell ([jfarrell@landisvillemennonite.org](mailto:jfarrell@landisvillemennonite.org)). Our Pastoral Care Group is also available for conversation, and consists of John Burkhart, Larry Newswanger, Ellen and Karl Steffy, and Gina Burkhart.



# WELCOME!

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Mennonite  
Church

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Joining with Christ in God's work

**DECEMBER 11, 2016**

Worship service: 9:00 am

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent*

*The Holy Way; Walking in the way of God's heart*

**Prelude caroling** Teresa Bomberger  
**Gathering reading** Jay Musser  
**Worship in song**  
HWB 110: *Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing*  
STJ 54: *Longing for light*  
**Candle lighting** Jim Gingrich  
STS 3: *Come, Light of the world*  
**Psalm reading:** Psalm 146: 5-10, Luke 1:46-55 Rhonda Nissley, Joy Rutt  
**Worship in song**  
HWB 185: *Hail to the Lord's anointed*  
**Prayer of confession / Words of assurance** (bulletin insert) Jay Musser  
STS 17: *Alleluia!*  
**Thank offering**  
HWB 206: *Infant holy, infant lowly*  
*Basket holder – Emily Davies*  
**Children's spot** Howard Garver  
(Preschool care)  
**Scripture reading:** Luke 2:21-40 Marie and Nelson Kling  
**Sermon:** "Expectancy vs. Expectation" Keith Blank  
**Song of response**  
STJ 13: *My soul is filled with joy*  
**Offering:** Church budget  
*Offertory – Ken Campbell*  
**Congregational sharing and Prayers of the People** Rhonda Nissley  
*Please pass the fellowship registry down the row and back*  
**Announcements**  
**Benediction**  
HWB 212: *O come, all ye faithful*

Everyone is invited for hot drinks in the fellowship hall & to stay for the Sunday school hour. Classes are available for all ages as well as infant and nursery care.

## Congregational announcements

**The Sr. Youth Bible Study series** on Peaceful Relationships will continue next Sunday, December, 18th. All Sr. Youth are invited. We will meet at Richard & Ann Martin's house from 6:30-8:00pm (2403 Stauffer Road, Mount Joy, PA, 17552). They will be facilitating a study about the vastness of creation and how that might lead us to be a peacemaking people. Please contact Jordan with any questions.

### Christmas giving project

We will be collecting new socks, gloves and mittens during this Christmas season. All sizes are needed. The socks will be going to our local community through the clothing bank that is housed here in our church building, and the mittens and gloves will be distributed by Church World Services to families who need them. Join us in sharing with our community!

### Choir

The choir is singing one song on December 18 and three songs from the Messiah on Christmas Day, December 25. Some people have expressed interest in singing in December. Please take note of our two rehearsals: Wednesday, Dec. 14 and Thursday, December 22 from 6:15 to 7:30. If you want to join, and can attend these rehearsals, please let Pat Myers know, so she can make sure there is enough music. Thanks!

### Everence Grant

Annually, Everence, a stewardship ministry of Mennonite Church USA, encourages congregations by offering financial grants to help cover costs related to local generosity projects. This year, Landisville Mennonite, a member congregation of Everence, submitted an application for grant funds to help with the A Herr Dream Park build in E Hempfield Township. Mid-November the chosen grants were announced. The A Herr Dream Park was selected for a \$1000. grant! Many thanks for your time, energy and talents given to this project. Surely a gift of Christian compassion to our neighborhood.

Teen \* Adult \* Partnerships

Is your room more clean or more messy?

What is your favorite snack?

## Opportunities

Christmas caroling.....Tuesday, December 13, 6:45-8:30 pm  
 Choir.....Wednesday, December 14, 6:15 pm  
 Prayer fellowship.....Saturday, December 17, 7:30 am  
 Sr. Youth Bible study.....Sunday, December 18, 6:30-8:00 pm  
 Christmas Eve service.....Saturday, December 24, 6:00 pm  
 Christmas Day worship.....Sunday, December 25, 10:30 am  
*no coffee or refreshments; no Sunday school*  
 New Year's Day worship.....Sunday, January 1, 10:30 am  
*no coffee or refreshments; no Sunday school*  
 Musical.....Jan. 20, 7:30 pm & Jan. 21, 1:30 pm & 7:30 pm

Offering last Sunday:	Church budget \$27,796 High school education \$250
Offering next Sunday:	Church budget
Attendance last Sunday:	172

Give bulletin announcements to the office by Thursday evening and announcements for the weekly e-mail by Tuesday evening at [office@landisvillemennonite.org](mailto:office@landisvillemennonite.org)

### Nursery Schedule - Today

Worship	Sunday school	Preschool care
Lynelle Wenger	Rick Rutt	Greta Stoner
Morgan Wenger	Reba Sharp	Mike Stoner
		Abby Davies

### Nursery Schedule - Next Sunday

Worship	Sunday school	Preschool care
Kelly Miller	Helen Hertzler	Fannie Miller
Angie Miller	Kim Harker	Emma Burkhart

**Superintendent on call** – Beth Martin

**Trustee on call** – Jim Davies

**Microphone runners** – Justin Nissley and Grey Fertich

**Usher/Greeter schedule**

John & Kay Newcomer, Leon & Nancy Stauffer, Dave Yoder, Dean Hertzler

*The Holy Way; Walking in the way of God's heart  
God's hope is at hand. Come, walk in the way of God's heart.*

**Prayer of confession**

Leader: God of hope

**People: we yearn to walk in your way  
but often choose our own path of  
turmoil and pain.  
Save us, Lord,  
from the pride and foolishness of  
choosing our own course,  
that we may humbly and confidently  
follow your lead,  
through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Words of assurance**

Leader: Throughout the tumult of life,  
God holds you close in love.  
Rejoice,  
because God's wisdom is your guide,  
God's compassion is your strength.  
God's love is your redemption.

**All: Come, let us walk in the way of  
God's heart!**