

Looking Ahead

TODAY	1:30 pm 6:30 pm	Youth: Kit packing at the MCC Office Inter-Mennonite Advent Hymn Sing at FMC
Tues., Dec. 5	7:30 pm	Council of Church Ministries
Sat., Dec. 9	5:00 pm	Christmas Banquet & Silent Auction
Sun., Dec. 10 <i>Second Advent</i>	10:00 am 11:00 am	Rehearsal for Christmas Program/SS for adults Worship Service with Pastor Ed
Sun., Dec. 17 <i>Third Advent</i>	10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm 2:00 - 5:00 pm	Rehearsal for Christmas Program/SS for adults Worship Service with Pastor Ed Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal - Lunch provided Kauffman's Open House - Everyone is welcome
Sun., Dec. 24 <i>Fourth Advent</i>	10:00 am 11:00 am 5:30 pm	Rehearsal for Christmas Program/SS for adults Worship Service with Pastor Ed Christmas Eve Program - <i>*Bring your Pete the Pig*</i>
Mon., Dec. 25	10:30 am	Christmas Day Service - <i>*Bring your Pete the Pig*</i>
Sun., Dec. 31	11:00 am	Worship Service with Pastor Ed (No S. School today)

Beyond First

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)

Give a Christmas gift that is a meaningful expression of God's love! Gifts of food, water, hope, peace and education. Purchase online at: mccab.ca/Christmas; in person at Ten Thousand Villages or the MCC office; or call 1-888-622-6337.

Christmas at MCC Thrift Shops - Need extra dishes, candles, wrapping paper, cards, decorations, even roasting pans? Find them at your local MCC Thrift Shop and support MCC!



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Sunday, December 3, 2017



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December 3, 2017

First Advent Worship Service ~ 11:00 am

We Gather for Worship

Welcome
Gathering & Call to Worship (Projected)
Lighting of Advent Candle
Songs of Gathering O come, O come, Immanuel (HWB #172) vv. 1 - 4
Longing for light (STJ #54)
Offering our Gifts

Sharing Church Life

We Listen for God's Word

Children's Feature Herman Walde
Reading the Word ISAIAH 64: 1 - 9 AND MARK 13: 24 - 37
Song of Praise Save us, O Lord (STS #6)
Message "Let it Be"
Pastor Ed

We Respond to God and Each Other

Song of Response O Savior, rend the heavens (HWB #175)
Confessing/Words of Assurance (Projected)
Communion Ave Maria
Sharing Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

We Go Out as God's Missionaries

Wisdom and Wonder Dora Janssen and Elise Feddema
Benediction
Song of Sending Come, thou long-expected Jesus (HWB #178)

Worship Leader: Kelly Janz
Song Leader and Flute: Gay Kauffman
Accompanist: Elsie Wiebe

Sunday School Classes ~ 10:00 am

Children and Youth, please proceed to the Christmas Program Rehearsal
Adult - Uniform Series Main floor Sunday School Wing, end of hall

Here at First

The **Annual Inter-Mennonite Advent Hymn Sing** will be held here at First Mennonite Church **TONIGHT at 6:30 pm**. You are invited to come and join with brothers and sisters as we begin the Advent season with an evening of music. Please bring finger-food snacks to share during the fellowship time following the service. An offering for MCC will be taken.

Praise & Prayer Notes

Pray for Jason Martin, new Director of International Witness, as he supports Witness workers & congregational partners through the restructuring process. Pray for understanding of the implications of these changes, wisdom in strategic planning for the future, and a deep sense of God's leading and care.

Annual Christmas Banquet & Silent Auction

THIS Saturday, December 9 at 5:00 pm

If you have **NEW** items, or homemade/baked items to donate to the Silent Auction, please let **Rita** know **TODAY**.

Please bring your Silent Auction donations to the church board room no later than this Wednesday, December 6.

Donations cannot be accepted after this Wednesday.

****If you have informed Rita that you are bringing baked goods, they can be brought to the church on the day of the Silent Auction.****

Today is your last day to buy tickets:

\$20.00 for adults

\$5.00 for children under 12

Free for children under 3 years.