

First Mennonite Church

Making disciples through loving relationships.

Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. Worship – 10:35 a.m.

December 3, 2017

First Sunday of Advent

Gathering Music		Shirley Baltzer
Welcome		Judy and Pastor Susan
Candle Lighting and Song		Joshua Diener
Call to Worship		Joshua Diener
We meet today		
to declare the mighty acts		
of the living God.		
For God has come among us,		
face-to-face, as a person,		
bringing an abundance of steadfast love!		
With hearts of praise we welcome Jesus,		
Mary's child,		
Healer and Teacher,		
Savior and Friend!		
*Hymn	Oh, how shall I receive thee	No. 182
*Invocation		Judy Harder
Advent with the Children		Judy Harder
<i>Small is the Table - Holly</i>		
Offering		Shirley Baltzer
	(receiving blankets will be gathered)	
Sharing and Prayer		Pastor Susan
Communion		
Scripture	Luke 1:26-38	Judy Harder
Meditation		
Advent Ensemble	<i>The Hand of God</i> D. Haas	
Words of Communion		
Receiving Communion		
*Closing Hymn	Sent forth by God's blessing	No. 478
*Benediction		Pastor Susan



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Monday: Caleb Diener

Friday: Skye Rivera, Marin Bartel

CALENDAR:

- Dec. 3 First Sunday of Advent
- Dec. 6 7 p.m. Choir Practice
- Dec. 7 7 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting
- Dec. 9 2 p.m. Tabor College Fine Arts Dedication & Open House
- Dec. 10 Second Sunday of Advent; Tabor College presents Messiah
- Dec. 13 7 p.m. Choir Practice
- Dec. 15 Amahl and the Night Visitors – Sanctuary
- Dec. 17 Third Sunday of Advent
- Dec. 24 Fourth Sunday of Advent; 10 a.m. Worship Service
6 p.m. Christmas Eve Service
- Dec. 25 MERRY CHRISTMAS! Church office is closed.
- Dec. 31 10 a.m. Worship Service

CARRY-IN MEAL SCHEDULE:

Jan. 14 Annual Meeting

TREASURER’S REPORT 11/19/2017

FMC Ministries	\$1,630.36
Year to Date Budget Income.....	\$119,645.52
Year-to-date Budget Expenses.....	\$127,247.00
FMC Ministries Fund Balance.....	-\$7,601.48

TREASURER’S REPORT 11/26/2017

FMC Ministries	\$1,630.36
Year to Date Budget Income.....	\$120,870.52
Year-to-date Budget Expenses.....	\$134,817.56
FMC Ministries Fund Balance.....	-\$13,947.04

Last week’s attendance: 76

*Next week’s special offering goes to the local budget unless otherwise designated.

Luke 1:26-38

²⁶ In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." ²⁹ But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰ The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³ He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." ³⁴ Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵ The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. ³⁶ And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. ³⁷ For nothing will be impossible with God." ³⁸ Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

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The church building is open from 9am to noon Mon. – Fri. except for holidays. For assistance outside of those times, please contact Tim Unruh at 620-947-1585. Please schedule all meetings & events at FMC through the church office.
