



**LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

# Sunday School Christmas Program

Sunday, December 16, 2018

10:00 am

## Third Sunday of Advent – Joy

<i>Prelude</i>	Sunday School/CD
<i>Call to Worship</i>	Don Klippenstein
<i>Lighting the Advent Candle</i>	Jospin Muhanuzi Nathaniel Froese
<i>Advent Video</i>	
<i>Congregational Singing</i> <i>How Great Our Joy</i>	Pastor Victor Engbrecht
<i>Prayers for the Church</i>	Don Klippenstein
<i>Offering/Offertory</i>	Lori Klassen
<i>Drama: Building Christmas</i>	
<i>Closing</i>	Pastor Dean Huber
<i>Sunday School</i> <i>Light of the World</i>	

**“Loving God, Loving Each Other, and Loving Our Community”**

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**Sound:** Edwin Siemens

**Sunday, December 23, 2018**

**9:20 am Worship Service:** Pastor Dean Huber

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**THIS WEEK AT WINKLER BERGTHALER**

<b>Monday</b>	6:30 pm Jr. Youth 8:00 pm Men's Prayer Time
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 am Women's Prayer Meeting
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 pm Sr. Youth 7:30 pm Choir Practice
<b>Friday</b>	10:00 am Prayer Meeting

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**CHURCH FAMILY - PRAISES AND CONCERNS**

**Church Prayer & Praise**

Continue to pray for all those who have lost a loved one, friend, etc. this year. The first Christmas is very difficult time. Pray that they will experience God's peace and comfort in the midst of the Christmas celebrations.

**Mission Prayer & Praise**

Praise God that our worship services can be televised, every Tuesday evening on TV, through Valley Cable. Through this opportunity, many people in their homes, hospital, etc. are able to worship with us.

**Missionaries of the Week**

Preston & Myra Wieler

**Expression of Sympathy**

Ernest Peters passed away Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. His funeral was held on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. He was the husband to Eva Peters and a brother-in-law the Peter Penner (Crystal Cresc.).

**Adult Sunday School**

class has concluded for the year. The class will resume on Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 am.

**Church Pictorials**

will be available for purchase at a cost of \$20 each TODAY following the Sunday School Christmas Program. Pictorials will also be available for purchase in the church office during the week.

**Bethesda Ladies Fellowship Lunch**

will be held on Tuesday, December 18, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm at Triangle Oasis.

# **ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF OUR CHURCH**

## **Committee Annual Reports**

In preparation for our annual membership meeting in early 2019, all committee chairpersons are asked to submit a report of their committee happenings for our annual report book. Please prepare and submit (email if possible) your report to Susan in the office by January 14, 2019.

## **Baptism and Membership Classes**

Are you interested in exploring the Christian faith? Would you like to learn more about our confession of faith in a Mennonite perspective? Do you have questions about baptism and church membership? Then the WBMC Christian Faith classes are for you! If you are interested or have any questions please call Pastor Dean or Pastor Victor (325-9563).

Classes will begin in the New Year.

### **CITY CENTER YOUTH NEWS**

#### **Jr. Youth (Grades 7 & 8)**

**Monday, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm**

Christmas Party

#### **Sr. Youth (Grades 9 - 12)**

**Thursday, 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm**

Social Night: Meet at Quality Inn

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## **COMMUNITY AND OTHER EVENTS**

### **Mennonite Collegiate Institute**

in Gretna invites you to their Christmas Concert, Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in Buhler Hall.

### **Winkler Community Male Choir**

concert Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 pm at Winkler EMM Church. Free will offering will be taken for Habitat for Humanity.

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### **Birthdays This Week**

	<b>Day</b>		<b>Day</b>
Peter L. Suderman	18	Gordon MacKrieth	22
Anne Suderman	20		

\*\*If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please notify the church office.\*\*

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**Scripture for This Week:**

- Isaiah 12:1 – 6
- Micah 5:2 – 15
- John 8:1 – 11
- John 13:1 – 20
- John 13:21 – 38
- John 16:16 – 33
- Titus 1:1 - 16

**Coming Events**

**December 25<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am**  
Christmas Day Worship Service

**January 13**  
Commissioning Service  
for Harold Espinosa

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**Quotes of the Week**

***Just as a man wearing a beautiful white suit in a dark coalmine is unaware of what is happening to his suit until he sees himself in the bright light of day, so most people are unaware of their sin until they expose themselves to Christ, the light of the world.***

B. Bright

***...we need to keep on lighting. We are the light of the world. Jesus has commanded us to spread the light to others. It is our responsibility to share the message, to win men to the kingdom and to build disciples so that they, in turn, will pass the message on.***

B. Bright

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**Financial Update - December 10, 2018**

Annual Budget Income - \$783,780.00 - 100%

Year to December 10<sup>th</sup> Income - \$638,039.53 - 81.4%

**Amount short of Annual Budget - \$145,740.47**

**\*\*\*There are two more Sundays in 2018\*\*\***

**\*\*\*Any donations that you wish to make to count towards 2018 totals need to be handed in by the end of the day; Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. Donations will be received December 31<sup>st</sup> until noon at the Church office or dropped off directly with Kenny Hildebrand.\*\*\***

*Pastoral Staff:* Dean Huber, Victor Engbrecht, Harold Espinosa

*Administrative Secretary:* Susan Klassen

*Custodians:* Edwin Siemens, Hank Klassen, Carol Klassen

*Church Office Hours:* Monday - Friday 8:00 am - Noon; 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

# How Great Our Joy!

Therefore with joy shall they draw water out of the wells of salvation . . . — Isaiah 12:3

JUNGST

German Melody

Arranged by Hugo Jungst

German Carol

1 While by the sheep we watched at night, Glad tid-ings brought an  
 2 There shall be born, so he did say, In Beth-le-hem a  
 3 There shall the Child lie in a stall, This Child who shall re-  
 4 This gift of God we'll cher-ish well, That ev-er joy our

1 an-gel bright. How great our joy! Great our joy!  
 2 Child to-day. How great our joy! Great our joy!  
 3 deem us all. How great our joy! Great our joy!  
 4 hearts shall fill. How great our joy! Great our joy!

1 Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in  
 2 Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in  
 3 Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in  
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1 heaven on high! Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!  
 2 heaven on high! Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!  
 3 heaven on high! Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!  
 4 heaven on high! Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!

## Away in a Manger

### Verse 1

Away in a manger,  
No crib for His bed  
The little Lord Jesus  
Laid down His sweet head  
The stars in the bright sky  
Looked down where He lay  
The little Lord Jesus  
Asleep on the hay

### Verse 2

The cattle are lowing  
The poor Baby wakes  
But little Lord Jesus  
No crying He makes

I love Thee, Lord Jesus  
Look down from the sky  
And stay by my side,  
'Til morning is nigh.

### Verse 3

Be near me, Lord Jesus,  
I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever  
And love me I pray  
Bless all the dear children  
In Thy tender care  
And take us to heaven  
To live with Thee there.

## O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

### Verse 1

O come, O come, Emmanuel  
And ransom captive Israel  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear

### Chorus

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel

### Verse 2

O come, thou Dayspring, come and  
cheer Our spirits by Thine advent here

Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And death's dark shadows put to  
flight.

### Verse 3

O come, thou Wisdom from on high  
And order all things, far and nigh  
To us the path of knowledge show  
And cause us in her ways to go.

## While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks By Night

### Verse 1

While shepherds watched their flocks  
by night,  
all seated on the ground,  
an angel of the Lord came down,  
and glory shone around.

### Verse 2

"Fear not," said he for mighty dread

had seized their troubled mind  
"glad tidings of great joy I bring  
to you and all mankind.

### Verse 3

"To you, in David's town, this day  
is born of David's line  
a Savior, who is Christ the Lord;  
and this shall be the sign:

## We three kings

### Verse 1

We three kings of orient are  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar  
Field and fountain  
Moor and mountain  
Following yonder star

### Chorus

O star of wonder, star of night  
Star with royal beauty bright  
Westward leading, still proceeding  
Guide us to thy perfect light

### Verse 2

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain  
Gold I bring to crown Him again  
King for ever, ceasing never  
Over us all to reign

### Verse 3

Frankincense to offer have I  
Incense owns a Deity nigh  
Prayer and praising, all men  
raising  
Worship Him, God most high

### Verse 4

Myrrh is mine  
Its bitter perfume breathes  
A life of gathering gloom  
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding,  
dying  
Sealed in the stone cold tomb

### Verse 5

Glorious now behold Him arise  
King and God and Sacrifice!  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia  
Sounds through the earth and  
skies

## Joy to the World

### Verse 1

Joy to the world, the Lord is  
come!  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him  
room,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n, and heav'n, and  
nature sing.

### Verse 2

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
Let men their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks,  
hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

### Verse 3

No more let sins and sorrows  
grow,  
Nor thorns infest the ground;  
He comes to make His blessings  
flow  
Far as the curse is found,  
Far as the curse is found,  
Far as, far as, the curse is found.

### Verse 4

He rules the world with truth and  
grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders, of His  
love.