

Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church
252 6th St., Box 1207, Winkler, MB R6W 4B2
Phone: 325-9563

Worship Service

Sunday, December 22, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Message Series: **The Christmas Story According to the Gospel of Luke**

Pianist: Marilyn Penner/Irene Krahn **Song Leader:** Helen Reimer **Readers:** Myron Derksen/Elsie Rempel

Prelude

Song: *There's a Song in the Air*

Welcome, Announcements, Call to Worship Prayer

Offering/Offertory – Pastor Vic

Song: *Angels from the Realms of Glory* MH 128

Advent Reading 1 – Micah 5:2-5a; Psalm 80:1-7

Song: *Suber die Glocken nie Klingen*

Advent Reading 2 – Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-55; Prayer

Song: *What Child is This* MH 129

Sermon – Pastor Vic

The Birth of Jesus (Luke 2:1-7)

Song: *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear* MH 126

Prayer & Benediction – Pastor Vic

Postlude

Sound: Mark Klassen

Video: Chris Loewen

Computer: Brad Funk

Wednesday, December 25, 2024

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Focus on Missions

Preston & Myra Wieler
The Bunker Youth Ministry

Life in the Church

Financial Update – December 16, 2024

Year to December 16th Income: \$677,503

Annual expenses to date: \$669,504

Annual budgeted income for 2024: \$778,900

There is one (1) more Sunday in 2024

Any donations that you wish to make to count towards 2024 totals need to be handed in at the Church office or dropped off directly with Kenny Hildebrand by December 31, 2024 Treasurer - WBMC

The attendance last Sunday, December 15 was 157.

We will be having a New Year's Eve service at 7:00 p.m. Be prepared to share what God has done in your life this past year.

Our Christmas Day worship service will begin at 10:00 a.m.

The Church office will be closed on December 24-26. If you need to reach anyone, you can call Pastor Dean or Pastor Vic. See last page for numbers.

The Wednesday Bible Study, Oakview Bible Study, and Men's Morning Prayer are recessed until January 15, 2025.

The Woman's Prayer Meeting has recessed until January 7, 2025.

In preparation for our annual membership meeting in early 2025, 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 Ashley in the office by January 14, 2025.

Church Family - Praises and Concern

Mary Wall has been admitted to BTHC. Please pray for her.

Jake Froese has been admitted to BTHC. Please pray for Jake and Erma.

We would like to thank you our church family for all the support received during my two lengthy hospital stays in recent months. It was very humbling and very much appreciated. My vertebrae fractures have healed, and the stem cell transplant has been completed all without complications. We are very blessed in so many ways. Harold & Janet Pauls.

Persons receiving care away from home

Manitou Care Home:	Sadie Wiebe
Notre Dame Care Home:	Ella Neufeld
Swan Lake Care Home:	Mary Sawatzky
BTHC:	Harry Hildebrand, Mary Wall, Jake Froese
Altona Hospital:	Sadie Bergen

Birthdays This Week

Nathaniel Froese	25	Gordon Peters	25
Pete (Eva) Penner	26		

Scripture for This Week

- Isaiah 43:1-5
 - Acts 3:1-10
 - Jeremiah 29:10-14
 - Luke 2:1-7
 - Daniel 6:19-27
 - Song of Songs 8:6-7
 - 2 Timothy 1:1-5
-

Community and Other Events

Missionfest Manitoba

Missionfest Manitoba is coming up February 7-9! Join us for a weekend of learning about God at work here and around the world as speakers share about our theme, *How Shall They Hear?* Experience fascinating breakout sessions and great worship and explore over 130 ministries and missions. Youth and Young Adults will love *After Hours* on Friday night! You won't want to miss this opportunity to be informed, inspired, equipped and engaged in the Great Commission. For more information, go to www.missionfestmanitoba.org. To volunteer, go to <https://www.missionfestmanitoba.org/volunteer.html>.

Quotes

Micah 5:2-5

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has given birth; then the rest of his brothers shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. And he shall be their peace.

Luke 2:4-7

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Office Hours: Mon. & Fri. 9:00 – 12:00; 1:00 - 3:00; Tue. - Thu. 8:30-3:00

Custodians: Jay Froese, Edwin Siemens

Secretaries: Ashley Elias, Carey Martens

Pastors: Dean Huber: 1 (306) 270-7514; Victor Engbrecht: (204) 361-6778