

Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church

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Worship Service

December 8, 2019

9:15 am

What Will You Do Differently This Christmas?

Prelude – Irene Krahn

Choir

Call to Worship and Prayer – Pastor Victor Engbrecht

Worship in Song – Pastor Harold Espinosa/Heather Derksen

MH #129 What Child is This

MH #127 Angels We Have Heard on High

Lighting the Advent Candle – Redekop Family

Prayers – Pastor Victor Engbrecht

Offering/Offertory – Choir

The Return from Calgary

Scripture Reading – Myron Derksen

Luke 1:26-38

Message – Pastor Dean Huber

A Saviour is Born (2)

Closing Song – Pastor Harold Espinosa/Heather Derksen

MH #130 Silent Night, Holy Night

Benediction

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

Sound: John Penner **Computer:** Brad Funk

Video: Chris Loewen

Sunday, December 15, 2019

10:00 am Sunday School Christmas Program & Fellowship Lunch

THIS WEEK AT WINKLER BERGTHALER

Monday	7:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting 8:00 pm Men's Prayer Time
Tuesday	9:30 am Women's Prayer Meeting
Wednesday	2:00 pm Bible Study (The Truth Project) 7:00 pm Church Council & Ministerial Meeting 7:00 pm Jr. Youth (Service Night)
Thursday	7:00 pm Sr. Youth 7:30 pm Choir Practice

CHURCH FAMILY - PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Persons With Health Needs

BTHC: Marie Brown, Mary Ginter, Frank Suderman

Church Prayer & Praise

Pray for our Sunday school students as they prepare for the Christmas program next Sunday.

Mission Prayer & Praise

John Loepky is leaving for Minneapolis today, for 1 week, to have the van customized for his needs and to complete the final driving test before he can drive the van. Please pray for safe travels for John, his mom, Eva and sister Eva. Pray that as John completes the training and the test that it all will be successful.

Prayer For Our Missionaries

Preston & Myra Wieler

Expression of Sympathy

Elvera Elias passed away Friday, November 29th. Her funeral was held on Monday, December 2nd. She was the mother to Mark & Katie Elias and a sister to Ron & Marilyn Janzen and Len & Nettie Janzen.

Nettie Wiebe passed away Sunday, December 1st. Her funeral was held on Thursday, December 5th.

Sunday School Christmas Program

Come and enjoy our Sunday School Christmas program, in the Fellowship Hall, on Sunday, December 15th at 10:00 am. Following the program, we will have a fellowship lunch of 'build your own sandwich' and Christmas baking. If you could share some of your Christmas baking please bring it on Sunday morning. We need people for set up, serving and cleanup. Signup sheets are on the bulletin board in the foyer.

WBMC 125th Celebration, 2020

We are planning to do several PowerPoints throughout 2020 celebrating our 125th anniversary at WBMC. If you know of someone or you have pictures of the past or the present in the life of our church, we would love to make copies for a slide presentation in church. Please include the names of the people in the photograph, as well as, the story in the photograph. Pictures can be brought to the church office.

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF OUR CHURCH

Bethesda Ladies Fellowship Lunch

will be held on Tuesday, December 17th, 11:30 am at Triangle Oasis

Food for the Hungry

We would like to encourage you to bring one non-perishable food item, each week, to put in the old chest in the foyer. We want to help people who are in need of food and want to be a blessing where we can.

CITY CENTER YOUTH NEWS

Jr. Youth (Grades 9 - 12)

Thursday, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Service Night

Sr. Youth (Grades 9 - 12)

Thursday, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Series: UNexpected"

Birthdays This Week

	Day		Day
Zane Epp	8	Margaret Martens	12
Jim Suderman	8	Harry Hildebrand	13
Tina Schmidt	10	Mary Wall	13
Marcelo Froese	11	Jessica Siemens	14
Carol Klassen	11	Nick Heide	14

Financial Update – December 3, 2019

Annual Budgeted Income	\$787,250.00 - 100%
Year to December 3 rd Income	<u>\$661,724.54 - 84.1%</u>
Amount short of Annual Budgeted Income	\$125,525.46

There are three more Sundays in 2019

Any donations that you wish to make to count towards 2019 totals need to be handed in by the end of the day Tuesday, December 31st to Susan Klassen at the Church office or dropped off directly with Kenny Hildebrand. Treasurer - WBMC

Quotes for the Week

The angel opens his discourse by saying, that he announces great joy; and next assigns the ground or matter of joy, that a **Saviour is born**. These words show us, first, that, until men have peace with God, and are reconciled to him through the grace of Christ, all the joy that they experience is deceitful, and of short duration. Ungodly men frequently indulge in frantic and intoxicating mirth; but if there be none to make peace between them and God, the hidden stings of conscience must produce fearful torment. Besides, to whatever extent they may flatter themselves in luxurious indulgence, their own lusts are so many tormentors.

Calvin, J., & Pringle, W. (2010). Commentary on a Harmony of the Evangelists Matthew, Mark, and Luke (Vol. 1, p. 115). Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software.

“A Saviour is born unto you.” So Christ, **a Saviour, born to men**, is the gospel; and, saith the apostle, “I am not ashamed of it;” that is, I am not ashamed of Christ born a Saviour, for this reason; “Christ is the power of God to salvation, to every one that believeth.”

Crisp, T., & Gill, J. (1832). Christ Alone Exalted: The Complete Works of Tobias Crisp (Vol. 2, p. 215). London: John Bennett.

I believe **he who thus receives Jesus Christ as his Saviour is born** again spiritually as definitely as in his first birth, and, so born spiritually, has new privileges, appetites and affections; that he is one body with Christ the Head and will live with Him forever. I believe no man can save himself by good works, or what is commonly known as a “moral life,” such works being but the necessary fruits and evidence of the faith within.

Kelly, H. A. (2005). Chapter XXIV: A Personal Testimony (Vol. 4, pp. 325–326). Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software

Scripture for This Week

- Isaiah 40:1 – 17
- Isaiah 40:18 – 31
- James 5:1 – 14
- Acts 15:1 – 21
- Acts 15:22 – 35
- Psalms 146:1 – 10
- Matthew 11:1 - 19

Coming Events

Wednesday, December 25, 10:00 am

Christmas Day Worship Service

Sunday, January 5

Church Family Lunch

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