

Psalm 89:28 (NIV) "my covenant...will never fail..."

~~~~~

**MT. CLINTON MENNONITE CHURCH**

**December 24, 2023**

*Merry Christmas*

Blessings to you this morning! We welcome you to our Sunday School at 9:30. We have an adult Salt and Light curriculum Sunday School class that meets in the south west corner of the foyer, another Salt and Light curriculum class that meets in classroom 7 in the basement and children's classes also in the basement Sunday School rooms. We begin our worship service at 10:30 and will be a service of Lessons and Carols, and a children's lesson of the Christmas story. The scriptures and carols are in the insert.

Call to worship      Psalm 89: 1-4, 19-29

Advent Candle Lighting

Lessons and Carols

Sharing and Prayer

Announcements

Closing Song

Benediction

---

|                   |                                              |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Worship Leader    | Eric Bendfeldt                               |
| Song Leaders      | Conrad Heatwole, Jim Hershberger:            |
| Prelude/Offertory | Janie Heatwole                               |
| Scripture Readers | Dale Hartzler, Debra Townsend, Zachary Trost |
| Candle Lighting   | Crystal Trost and family                     |
| Children's Lesson | Crystal Trost                                |

---

**Prayer Focus:** Let us give thanks for the reality of the Gospel of Jesus and the power of God in our lives and of so many believers around the world!

**Announcements**

**Inviting Children and Adults** to add something, perhaps handmade, to the Nativity scene that reminds us of stories in the Bible. Depending on the item, they will be placed in the Nativity scene or around it on the table. If the item is light enough it can be hung on the small tree. Potted plants can also be brought to place on or around the table and platform. The Nativity display will continue to be present until January 7 when some visitors arrive to see Jesus.

**There will be a Sunday school class singing** through the Voices Together hymn book on the 8 Sundays January 7 until February 25. Bring your copy if you have one. We have loaners to use also. We will learn text and tunes/harmonies of new songs in the various sections of the hymnal. If you have specific new songs you want to learn please let Pastor Jim know.

**Maria Martin's** new phone number is 540-209-7800.

**The church office will be closed** Friday, December 22 – Monday, January 1.

**There are hearing aids** for those that desire them in our worship service. Please speak with Jim Horst or others at the computers in the sanctuary if you need this assistance.

**There are printouts** on the back table of reading through the Bible in a Year Schedules. This schedule is set up to read 1 of 7 varieties of scripture text each day of the week, such as History, the Law, the Gospels and so forth.



## **WE WANT YOU TO KNOW**

### **December 17**

Offering: Budget – \$5,009.06  
WRFPP – \$200.00

Attendance: Worship Service – Church 63; Zoom 8; Facebook 2; Total 73  
Adult Sunday School – Total 45  
Southwest Classroom – Church 14; Zoom, 1; Other 13  
Downstairs Classroom – 17  
Children's Sunday School – Children 10; Adults 6

**December 24 Greeters:** Wilmer & Mary Louise Lehman

**December 31 Greeter:** Carolyn Nowlin

**Our Vision:** God calls us to be a worshiping, welcoming and united family of faith, following Jesus Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and ministering God's salvation, healing and hope to the local community, the nation, and the world.

### **Mt. Clinton Mennonite Church Pastoral Team**

Jim Hershberger, Pastor – 540-908-8005  
Nancy Showalter, Elder – 540-421-7394  
Conrad Heatwole, Elder – 540-230-0595  
Chuck Eberly, Elder – 540-810-2770  
Sharyn Tieszen, Elder – 919-641-5876

Church telephone: 540-867-5885  
Church email: [mcmc6954@gmail.com](mailto:mcmc6954@gmail.com)  
Church web: <https://mcmchurch.us>

Mt. Clinton Mennonite Church, Vol. 74, #52      December 24, 2023

**WELCOME TO MT. CLINTON  
MENNONITE CHURCH**