

North Goshen Mennonite Church

December 3, 2017

Advent 1

Él juzgará entre las naciones y será árbitro de muchos pueblos.
Convertirán sus espadas en arados y sus lanzas en hoces.
No levantará espada nación contra nación,
y nunca más se adiestrarán para la guerra. Isaías 2:1-5

He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more. Isaiah 2:4

Come, thou long expected Jesus

Hymnal: A Worship Book 178

Glory (Let there be peace)

Welcome & Call to Worship

Brad Graber

Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts

Peace before us

Sing the Story 16

Congregational Prayer

Drama

Robert, Erin, Francisco & Kristina Behan Morillo

“We are at war (but Christ is making peace)” (Isaiah 2:1-5)

Mark Schloneger

It came upon a midnight clear

Hymnal: A Worship Book 195

Go now in peace

Hymnal: A Worship Book 429

Benediction

The Peace Lamp is lit each week as a reminder to pray for peace in our community and world.

**To make an announcement, please go to the front of the church where there is a microphone.
Thank You.**

Announcements

●**Christmas Greetings** The Friends of San Lucas committee with Evangelism Commission will organize video Christmas greetings to send to the church in San Lucas, the Iglesia Arca de Dios, (the Ark of God Church). Jon Yoder has agreed to take videos of people in groups of 1 to 6 or so **TODAY** saying "Feliz Navidad" or "Merry Christmas." He can then edit all the segments into a short video that we will send to Pastor Mario and the congregation in San Lucas.

And, since so many people have smart phones, volunteers could also take short clips of NG people saying "Merry Christmas" or "Feliz Navidad" and then email them to Jon to be included in the video.

●**Practice** for the Christmas program continues this **Wednesday, December 6**. Children ages 4 through Jr. Youth should plan to meet here from 6:30-7:45pm.

There is also a practice on **Saturday, December 9** from 9-11am.

●**Mennonite Central Committee meat canning** in Goshen will be in Goshen January 8-12 & 15-18, 2018. Consider donating toward costs and marking your calendar to volunteer time.

Give the gift of your time! Chamberlain is holding a Santa store on Thursday, December 21.

This is an opportunity for each child at Chamberlain to visit the little store, and purchase gifts for their friends and family. They typically have an envelope with money and a list of people to buy for. We need a lot of volunteers to help the kids shop at the store, so they don't exceed their budget. There will be 3 shifts. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board!

OR bake cookies or pies for the Chamberlain teacher luncheon on December 19. Show appreciation for the teachers by helping in this way. They will serve 65 people. Sign-up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

COMING EVENTS

December 10	6pm Christmas Play
December 14	Women's Work Day, carry-in, meat & potatoes will be provided
December 17	Young Adults meet in FH 5-7pm
December 20	Community Meal
December 24	Christmas Eve Service, 6:30pm

Nurture

Sunday school classes for all ages are held from 9-10am

Children's Church: *To help assure the safety of the children, we ask that a responsible person meet your children at the Children's Church door as soon as they are dismissed.*

Today: Jeri Burkholder, Tim Nafziger, Francisco Behan Morillo, Ana Swartzendruber

Childcare is available in the basement nursery for children ages 3 years and younger.

Today: Joel Unzicker, Erica Miller, Jackie Ramirez

Our Prayers

Those unable to attend services: Bill Yoder, Thelma Harley, Judy Yoder, Elroy & Alberta Troyer
Congregational members who have lost spouses and family members
Those taking the citizenship class at LaCasa, Inc.
Pastor Mario, Carmen and family with the San Lucas Church,

our sister church in San Martin, Mexico. *If you have a prayer concern or need, you are encouraged to contact Mark Schloneger, Izaete Nafziger or one of the Elders, either after worship today or during the week. Available elders are Bob Steury, Gail Yoder & Randy Lehman.*

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