

Estén siempre alegres,
oren sin cesar,
den gracias a Dios en toda situación,
porque esta es su voluntad para ustedes en Cristo Jesús.
(1 Tesalonicenses 5:16-18)

North Goshen Mennonite Church

December 2, 2018
First Sunday of Advent

Longing for light

Sing the Journey 54

Welcome & Call to Worship

Robert & Erin Behan Morillo

*Guide me, O thou great Jehovah
I am weak and I need thy strength*

Hymnal: A Worship Book 582
Hymnal: A Worship Book 533

Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts

Children Bring MCC & Birthday Offerings

Fluye, Espiritu, Fluye

Children ages 4 through grade 2 are dismissed to Children's Church

Sharing & Congregational Prayer

Izaete Nafziger

Where have you witnessed God's work during the week?

Where is God's presence needed?

Luke 21:25-36

Patricia Morales & Kathy Nofziger Yeakey

"The Announcement"

Enrique Ortiz

Soon and very soon

Hymnal: A Worship Book 611

Benediction

Enrique Ortiz

Days of Elijah

Our Prayers

Those unable to attend services: Erma Yoder, Warren Bontrager & Ruby Snyder, Alma Gingerich Ruby Nussbaum, Judy Yoder, Jim Burkholder, Bill Yoder, Thelma Harley, Elroy & Alberta Troyer

Pastor Mario, Carmen and family with the Iglesia Arca de Dios, our sister church in San Martin, Mexico.

Congregational members who have lost spouses and family members.

Those recovering: Velda Hershberger, Sue Leatherman Sommers, Pastor Amado Morales (brother to Santa & Patricia Morales)

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: Lois Chupp, Jessica Stoltzfus, Aaron Yeakey, Ana Swartzendruber
Childcare is available in the basement nursery for children ages 3 years and younger.

Today: Deena & Christian Elizalde, Cheryl Beachey

Coming Events

December 12	6:30pm Christmas Program Practice
December 13	Women's Work Day, Carry-In lunch
December 14	Noon, Senior Lunch and Bingo
December 15	9:30am Christmas Program Practice
December 16	Steve Slagel meets congregation/fellowship meal at noon Kent Miller brings the message
December 16	Christmas Program
December 19	Community Meal
December 23	Enid Schloneger brings the message
December 24	7pm Christmas Eve Service
December 30	Michael Yeakey brings the message

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

Announcements

●**Today** Birthday offerings are being combined with the first-Sunday-of-the-month MCC offering. You may bring your birthday offering up to the jar or give it to a child to put it in for you.

●**Note the address changes**, for your directories, that are listed in the Plowshare.

●**Ladies Lunch Bunch** will meet at Martin's Supermarket on Bashor Road, the first Tuesday of the month, December 4, at 11:30am. Join us to enjoy a leisurely lunch, catch up and get to know each other better.

- MYF will at Culver's at 7 PM on Wednesday, December 5.
- The Christmas Express** Play practice: Wednesday, December 5, 6:30pm & Saturday, December 8, 9:30am. Please be prompt!
- Sunday, December 9th**, the Concert Choir from Bethany Christian Schools will lead us in worship.
- Second Sunday Roll Sale** –Next Sunday, December 9, plan to stop by the fellowship hall before Sunday School or between S.S and worship and **support the MYF!**
- Senior Bingo and Lunch** will be on Friday, December 14th at noon. Plan to bring a dish to share for the carry-in and bring a white elephant gift for Bingo!
- Evangelism Commission requests** donations of disposable diapers to re-stock the church supply for NG community families.
Sizes 1 & 2 are especially needed at this time.
 Diapers can be dropped off underneath the church mailboxes.

During this time of transition feelings of anxiousness are normal. There are plans in place for those who need visits or have emergencies. Izaete Nafziger, Jerry Wittrig & the Elders are available for calls. See the back of the bulletin for contact information.

Rejoice always,
 pray continually,
 give thanks in all circumstances;
 for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
 (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

*If you have a prayer concern or need, you are encouraged to contact Izaete Nafziger or one of the Elders, either after worship today or during the week.
 Available elders are Jonathan Nussbaum, Merv Helmuth & Ruth Ann Wittrig.*

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