

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

January 6, 2019
Epiphany Sunday

God of brilliant lights

Welcome & Call to Worship

Becky Nussbaum

*Holy child within the manger
Oh, beautiful star of Bethlehem*

Sing the Story 28
Sing the Story 32

Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts
Emmanuel, hallowed manger ground

Sharing & Congregational Prayer
*Where have you witnessed God's work during the week?
Where is God's presence needed?*

Becky Nussbaum

Matthew 2:1-12

Belen Robledo & Omar Gonzales

"The Source of Light"

Steve Slagel

Infant holy, infant lowly

Hymnal: A Worship Book 206

Benediction

Steve Slagel

I want to walk as a child of the light

Sing the Journey 95

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

Our Prayers

Those unable to attend services: Warren Bontrager & Ruby Snyder, 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: Kendel Martin had knee replacement surgery on Monday, December 31.

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: Joan Ulrich, Harlan & Trent Stoltzfus, Ana Swartzendruber

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

Today: Elaine Thomas, Kerry Cripe, Fiona Yeakey, Luke Sommers

Coming Events

January 16	Community Meal
January 19	Men's Breakfast
January 20	Izaete brings the message

Please do not remove names from the literature boxes without notifying the Administrative Assistant. Thank You.

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.

●**Tomorrow**, January 7, plan to spend some time helping out at the MCC Meat Canner. The meat canner will be at "The Depot" and North Goshen is scheduled to send volunteers on Monday the 7th. This is a great opportunity for families, mentor pairs, Sunday school classes, etc. to share some time together while helping others.

●**Ladies Lunch Bunch** will meet at The Trolley Café in the Old Bag Factory on Tuesday, January 8, at 11:30am. Join us to enjoy a leisurely lunch, catch up and get to know each other better. NOTE the new location.

●**Coordinating Council** will meet Tuesday at 6:30pm.

●**MYF** will meet Wednesday at 7pm, at Culver's.

● **Mennonite Women Service Day** is the second Thursday each month. Meet on Thursday, January 10. Bring a sack lunch.

● **Second Sunday Roll Sale** –Next Sunday, January 13, plan to stop by the fellowship hall before Sunday School or between S.S and worship and **support the Bethany Partnership Fund!**

● **Care Groups** will meet next Sunday. All are encouraged to be a part of this. Sign-up on the bulletin board to confirm you wish to be included! More information will be announced.

● **Household Interviews** with Steve Slagel will take place in January, February and March. Contact Merv Helmuth or Ruth Ann Wittrig to get on the interview schedule. Question sheets for these meetings are in your literature boxes.

Care groups will also be formed. Care groups will meet 3 times:

January 13, February 17 and March 17. Everyone is encouraged to be a part of a care group although it is voluntary. Please sign up to confirm that you wish to be included in a care group. Care Group Sign-Up Sheets are located on the bulletin board.

● **Membership Transfers** to Yellow Creek Mennonite Church were requested by Joe & Alpha Cross and Bob & Barb Steury. These transfers have been sent after approval by the Elders.

● **Next Sunday**, Steve Slagel will bring the message.

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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