

Ridgeview Mennonite Church
3723 Ridge Road, Gordonville, PA 17529
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January 15, 2023

Called by God to learn and share together God's love with all creation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:15 AM

Worship Leader: Dick Thomas
Music: Joanne Dietzel

Focus Statement: *Sustaining faith in chaotic times requires internal motivation. Jesus came as God indwelling and becomes the source of actions and attitudes as we dwell in him and in the word. Strengthening our internal motivation includes reframing our mindset - putting Jesus at the center, imagining the Kingdom of God, taking it one step at a time and remembering our why - God's love for us and the world.*

Prelude
Gathering Song
Welcome & Announcements
Lighting the Peace Candle

Call to worship

L: Jesus said, "I am the true vine. God is the Gardener.

P: God trims every branch that bears fruit so that it will bear even more fruit.

L: Remain in me, just as I also remain in you.

P: No branch can bear fruit by itself. I must remain in the vine.

L: In the same way, you cannot bear fruit unless you remain in me.
I am the vine. You are the branches.

P: If you remain in me, and I in you, you will bear much fruit."

Congregational Singing

Children's Time

Scripture Colossians 3:1-17, Ephesians 3:16-21, John 15:1-11

Message *Motivational: Sustaining Faith in Chaotic Times*

Pastor Audrey

Response Song

Benediction

Sending Song

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tue 6:30 p.m. IN group meeting

Wed 7:00 a.m. Men's breakfast @ Amos' Place

9:00 a.m. Food Pac

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOUP IN-GATHERING...for our food pac program. Progresso soup with meat....our goal is to collect 90 cans by Super Bowl Sunday, February 12.

FOOD PAC PROGRAM needs **DOUBLE BAGGED** grocery bags for the program. They can be put in the Food Pac room.

ANABAPTISM AT 500...Everyone is welcome to be part of the *Ridgeview Anabaptism 500 Bible study group*. The study will be held at the home of Joyce and Dick Thomas for four consecutive evenings at 6:30 beginning Wednesday evening January 18. This is projected to be one of bible study 500 groups coordinated by MennoMedia. Our reflections on the texts assigned to our group will be incorporated into a larger conversation that will happen through the Anabaptist study Bible to recognize 500 years of Anabaptism and the communal study of scripture as a central focus of the Anabaptist/Christian movement. Consider participating in this unique opportunity that will be led by Joanne and Dan Dietzel. Scriptures assigned to us are:
I Kings 6 and I Kings 7:1-22
Acts 13:13-41
Psalm 75: 1-10

REMINDER...if you use the numbered offering envelopes for a record of your giving to Ridgeview, discard all old boxes of envelopes and only use the new box of envelopes you received for 2023.

REPORT FOR January 8

Offering \$2,537 Attendance 72



The several clay pots that once held branches of green to represent restoration during Advent have now been moved to one clay pot to represent one community. The many branches are now in one pot to encourage growth and new life in the church community. There is one white branch to represent or remind us that in community everyone struggles with some sort of brokenness or emptiness. The green draping represents how growth and restoration is always happening and flowing through

community life. Within the clay pot of branches is nestled three roses, a symbol of beauty, that can happen when "New Life" happens. At the base of the pot is a rose representing Christ the center of all being. The three roses represent Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The light from the Christ candle of Advent and the light around the cross remind us that Christ has come into the world to enlighten us through his word - the Bible.



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