

Ridgeview Mennonite Church  
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December 1, 2024

### Advent 1

*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:** Julie Sommers  
**Music:** Joanne Dietzel

Prelude  
Gathering Song *O Come, O Come, Immanuel* VT 210  
Advent Candle & Welcome  
Receiving Our Tithes and Offerings  
Lighting the Peace Candle

#### Call to Worship

Leader: God says,

**Congregation: "Don't be afraid."**

Leader: God says,

**Congregation: "I have called you by name."**

Leader: God says,

**Congregation: "I will be with you."**

Leader: God says,

**Congregation: "You are precious and honored in my sight."**

Leader: At the beginning of this season,

**Congregation: At the start of this week,**

Leader: at the top of this hour,

**Congregation: may we wrap ourselves in these words.**

Leader: May we begin again.

**All: Let us worship our holy God!**

#### Congregational Singing

*In Case No One Ever Told You (Tune: Praise to the Lord)*

*With Mary Sing Magnificat* VT 208

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* VT 216

*Jesus Loves Me*

Children's Time: Debbie Denlinger

Scripture: Luke 1: 26-38; Isaiah 43:1-7

Message: "You Are a Blessing" Pastor Katelyn

Response Song *We Come* VT 225

Praises and Prayer Concerns

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song *He Came Down* VT 239

#### COMING EVENTS

**Wed 9:00 a.m.** Food Pack

**4:00 p.m.** Silent auction & fellowship meal

**Thu 10:30 a.m.** Knitting Circle

**Dec 10 Tue a.m.** Tuesday Alive... *Christmas Story in Music*—Lancaster Mennonite School

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...**to pick up roof shingles from the ground around the church on Friday, December 6 and for a final cleanup on Saturday, December 7. We are grateful to Branch Community Church which has about 15 volunteers committed to help remove the old roof.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4** is our Community Auction. Silent bidding 4:00-6:00 p.m. Meal 6:00 – 7:15 p.m. Bids announced at 7:15 p.m. Invite family, friends and neighbors to join us.

**AN ADVENT DEVOTIONAL for THE BEGINNING** booklet is available for you to use this Advent season. Booklets are located on the welcome counter.

**INCOME FROM THE RIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY AUCTION AND JOINING TOGETHER IN DECEMBER** needs to provide \$15,000 above the weekly offering budgeted amount to meet the budget for our planned ministry. Please consider the most generous gift you can invest in our community life and outreach. A transfer directly to the church from an IRA will save you paying taxes on that money. As always be sure to talk with your financial advisor if you have any questions.

**JUST GIVE 'EM THE NEWS**, written and performed by Ted Swartz and Jeff Raught is a heart-warming, wildly funny piece of theater. The show is Saturday, December 7, 7:30 a.m. @ West Art, 800 Buchanan Avenue, Lancaster. Proceeds benefit Meals on Wheels. Tickets available @ [www.tedandcompany.com](http://www.tedandcompany.com)

**PEQUEA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL** invites the senior citizens of our community to a special preview of their winter musical, Irving Berlin's *White Christmas*, Wednesday, December 4, @ 11:30 a.m. in the high school auditorium. A free lunch is served following concert. To reserve your lunch call 717-768-5500 or email [stacy\\_mclaughin@pequeavalley.org](mailto:stacy_mclaughin@pequeavalley.org)

#### **REPORT FOR November 24**

Offering \$2,090 Attendance 56

#### **Pastoral Advisory Council**

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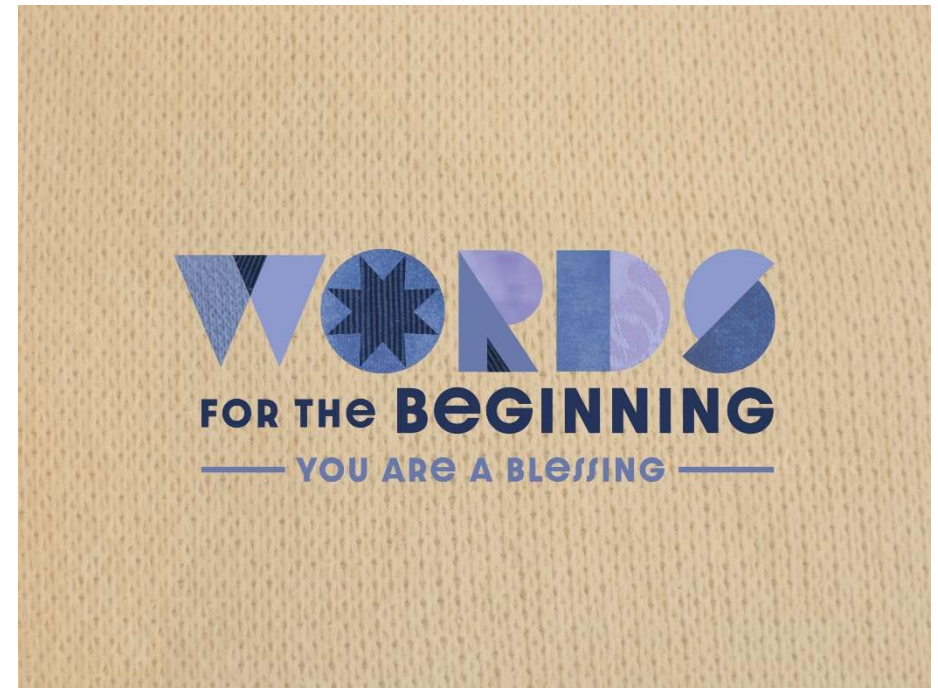
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