

Ridgeview Mennonite Church
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December 7, 2025

Advent 2: *What Do You Fear?*

Insisting on Hope This Advent

WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:50 AM

Worship Leader: Jill Heine
Music: Judy Ebersole, Sarah Rohrer

Prelude

Gathering Song *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (v 1,4,5,7) VT 210

Welcome & Announcements

Advent Candle Lighting

L: In a world full of fear, where do you see glimmers of peace?

C: We see glimmers of peace in the quiet of early morning, when people shake hands, when loved ones say they're sorry, and when the church sings together.

L: You are right. Even in a fearful world, peace is all around us.

Today we light the candle of peace as a reminder of this good news. May this flicker of light help us remember that even in a fearful world, peace is present. We only have to look for it.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Receiving Our Tithes & Offerings

Call to Worship

Family of faith, God is at work!

God is healing and creating,

redeeming and dreaming,

calling and sending,

listening and loving.

Yes, indeed, God is at work!

So may we worship our God who never gives up.

May we worship our God who holds onto hope. Amen.

Congregational Singing

When Peace Like a River

VT 617

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear (v 1,3,4,5)

VT 248

Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming

VT 216

Children's Time: Julie Sommers

Scripture Reading: Matthew 11: 1-11, Isaiah 43:19-21

Congregational Song *In the Time of Herod*

Message: "*Fears of the Messengers and Prophets*" Pastor Katelyn

Response Song *My Hope Is Built* (v 1, 2) VT 621

Praises and Prayer Concerns

Sending Song *Joy to the World*

VT 240

Benediction

CALENDAR

Tue 10:00 a.m. Tuesday Alive—Christmas stories by Diana Albertson

Dec 19, 7:00 a.m. Men's breakfast at Amos' Place

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU to everyone involved in the Ridgeview Community Auction this past week. It was a good evening of food, fellowship, connecting with friends who do not regularly attend Ridgeview and bidding on auction items to provide dollars for our Ridgeview mission. We are grateful to all who donated items for the auction, and we acknowledge the support we received from businesses in our community. The total raised was over \$5,500.

TODAY IS THE FIRST SUNDAY of our Joining Together in December on a special end of the year drive to raise \$8,000 above regular giving during the month. Pray and consider any extra you can give during the month to help us meet this budget goal.

WALKING ROOTS BAND TO SUPPORT MCC...Join a wonderful evening of music, community, and support at the Pennsylvania Relief Sale's Annual Christmas Concert, Saturday, December 13, 6:30 p.m., Stumptown Mennonite Church. Seating is available on a first-come basis. A free-will offering will be collected at the event. Proceeds benefit Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and their mission to provide relief, development, and peace in the name of Christ.

REPORT FOR November 30
Offering \$1,715 Attendance 47



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

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