

Ridgeview Mennonite Church
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January 4, 2026

Epiphany | What do you fear? Fear doesn't stop us

WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:50 AM

Worship Leader: Debbie Denlinger
Music: Julie Sommers, Sarah Rohrer

Prelude
Gathering Song *We Come* VT 225
Welcome & Announcements
Lighting the Peace Candle
Receiving Our Tithes and Offerings

Call to Worship
In the dark of morning,
the stars still shine.
In the depth of winter,
the birds still climb.
At the start of the year,
tender and new,
God is here.
God is near.
Do not rest in your fear.
God is here.
So like the stars and the birds,
Let us worship holy God.

Congregational Singing
The First Noel VT 250
Helpless and Hungry VT 268
Lord, You Sometimes Speak VT 537

Children's Time: Debbie Denlinger
Scripture: Matthew 2:1-23
Message: "*Go Another Way*" John Denlinger

Prayer of Confession
Ever-loving God,
We long for Christmas to usher in a season of peace and joy.
However, we know that is not how the world works.
Even just days after Christmas, we find ourselves face to face with
fear once again.
So today we pray—
Forgive us when we allow fear to stop us in our tracks.
Forgive us when our own fear prevents us from following your call.
Forgive us when fear is louder than love.
Show us how to turn our fear into action.
Show us how to live like the magi who searched for you in a fearful
world.
With hope we pray, amen.

Words of Assurance
Response Song *We've Seen God's Face*
Praises and Prayer Concerns
Benediction
Sending Song *The Lord Lift You Up* VT 832

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LANCASTER MENNONITE SCHOOL is excited to host a Youth Group Night Out, Friday, January 16, 7:00-8:30 p.m., @ Lancaster Mennonite High School, Gym A. We invite local youth grades 7 - 12 for a time of snacks and student-led games and worship. Please RSVP by next Friday, January 9.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd-vKzjjqAWFRIDF3rrO1hcNB_IsVOABaKNHhZI7OXKgDWXXA/viewform?blm_aid=45316&pli=1

REPORT FOR December 28

Offering \$2,502.00

Year End \$5,098.00

Education Fund \$75.00

Year-end total \$10,611



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

Pastoral Advisory

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