

## BETHANY MENNONITE CHURCH

December 19, 2021 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent

Prelude Phyllis & Emily Kirschenman

**Call To Worship** Sarah Wipf, flute

•Call To Worship

One: We come to glorify God, to rejoice in the One who saves us.

**All: God comes so we might believe; so we might be blessed.**

One: Our hearts leap for joy! For God is coming to us in a child.

**All: God comes for those who hunger for hope, for those who thirst for grace.**

One: Holy is the One who comes in God's name, who fulfills every promise of God.

**All: God comes to walk with those who follow in faith, to bring peace to a shattered world. O come, let us adore Him. Christ, the Lord!**

•Hymn of Praise

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing" #185

•Invocation

•Morning Greeting

**Special Music**

Sarah Wipf, flute

Lighting of the 4<sup>th</sup> Advent Candle

Announcements and Prayer Requests

Time of Prayer

Morning Offering for the General Fund

•Hymn of Thanksgiving

"Jesus, Name Above All Names" (twice) #177

Scripture Reading – Matthew 2: 8-20 p. 1014

A Meaning To the Message Pastor Shane

•Hymn of Response

"Angels We Have Heard On High" #188

Benediction

•Closing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" #393

Postlude Phyllis Kirschenman

## LEARNING/SERVING—THIS WEEK

**Today** 9:00am – Worship

10:00am – Fellowship Time

10:15am – Sunday School/Program Practice

7:00pm – Sunday School Christmas Program

**Friday** 5:00pm – Christmas Eve Service

**Next Sunday** 9:00am – Worship

10:00am – Fellowship Time

### Prayer List

Bruce Hofer; Hannah Smith & Kaos,

Geier's daughter-in-law Lori

### Family Matters

Marilyn Graber; Stefan, Naomi, & Elsie Becker

Next Week's offering will be for the General Fund

### Food Pantry Volunteers

Friday, December 24: Closed

Friday, December 31: Closed

### Annual Meeting

As the church's fiscal year-end was moved to December 31, the Bethany Annual Business Meeting will be held on January 16 during fellowship time. More information will follow as that time draws closer.

### Sunday School Christmas Program

The SS Christmas program will be held tonight at 7:00pm. We hope to see everyone there!

### Christmas Eve Service

There will be a Christmas Eve candlelight service on Friday, December 24 at 5:00pm.

### Memorial Poinsettias

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in memory of or in honor of a loved one to help decorate our sanctuary for Christmas, please call Fensel's at 925-4204. Cost is \$20.00.

### Piano Night At The Lake January 9

Swan Lake Christian Camp is hosting Piano Night at the Lake on January 9, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Pianists will be Russell Adrian (a SLCC alum), formerly of Mt. Lake, MN and now choral director at Hesston College, KS along with his colleague Ken Rodgers. They will provide some duets and individual pieces. Mary Anderson will be providing music as well as a great meal. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 605-326-5690 or emailing at [campoffice@myslcc.com](mailto:campoffice@myslcc.com). A free will offering will be taken for the evening.