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Advent 2: Visions of Peace for the Journey

Prelude Karen Kaufman
Welcome Pastor Kenzie Intemann
Advent Candle Lighting Cole Schrag, Gentry Regier
Call to Worship

Leader: Let us return to the Lord with all our hearts.

People: With our whole heart?

Leader: The hurting and hurtful part? The bleeding and empty part?

People: The sewn-up-tight-don't-come-in heart part?

All: With our whole heart,

with all our hearts we come to worship the Lord God,

Leader: whose merciful compassion, abundant patience,
and faithful forgiving love meet us in our need.

Opening Song "Comfort, Comfort, O My People" #212

Welcoming New Members

Time with Children Britney Stos

Worship music "Away in a Manger"
"Angels We Have Heard on High"
Kids Sing; Kristin Kaufman, director; Candy Unrau, piano

Scripture Reading Joel 2:12-13, 28-29 Rachel Friesen

Message "Of Hearts and Minds" Pastor Derek King

Song of Response "Spirit of God, Descend" #557

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song "Go, My Friends, in Peace" #829

Postlude



To share a financial offering, please leave your donation in the vessel on the table in the Fellowship Hall. To give online, scan the QR code on the back page.

Sunday School begins 10 minutes after the end of the worship service.

Key

- MCC:** Mennonite Central Committee (relief, development, and peace mission)
MC USA: Mennonite Church USA (denominational conference)
MDS: Mennonite Disaster Service (repair/rebuild homes damaged by disasters)
MMN: Mennonite Mission Network (mission agency of MC USA)
WDC: Western District Conference (Eden's regional conference of MC USA)

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Remember In Prayer

Mark Rupp receiving hospice care at Pine Village.

Mabel Goering receiving hospice care at Pine Village.

WDC: Give thanks for those who serve on WDC Commissions and pray for them as they guide ministries that sustain pastors and others ministers, provide resources for congregations, and support church planting partnership.

Nursery: **Dec. 8:** Carol/Larry Temple **Dec. 15:** Brenda Dalke/JoLene Kaufman

The peace lamp is lit as a reminder to pray for an end to violence in the world. We trust in the power of prayer, as we know that through prayer, all things are possible.

The **2025 directory** is being updated. Copies of the 2024 directory pages are on a table in the Fellowship Hall. Make corrections on these pages by Dec. 30.

Commissions and committees: this is a reminder to submit your narrative and budget reports for the Annual Report book by Jan. 13.

There will be a **congregational meeting on** Dec. 15 after worship to affirm the 2025 proposed budget and slate of new commission members.

Together on the Journey is the theme for Advent. The At Home Worship Guide is available from the Mennonite Education Agency. Download your copy [here](#). Or pick up a copy on the literature cart.

Christmas Eve program. Practices are Dec 11, and 18 at 6:30 p.m. All children are expected to attend practice. Please notify your child's teacher if your child will not be present on Christmas Eve. If your child would like to be part of the prelude, please contact Marla Gillmore or Jerri Kaufman. Thank you to everyone who is helping to make the program possible.

The **Angel Tree** is decorated in Fellowship Hall to honor the memory of our loved ones who have passed away. You may purchase an angel for each of your loved ones for \$3.00 each. Take the angel(s) with you when you place the envelope with the completed form and payment in the box by the tree. A list of those being remembered and those remembering them will be shared Dec. 29.

Everyone is invited to the annual **Christmas Eve program!** The kids are preparing to share the wonderful story of Christmas beginning at 7 p.m. Popcorn and pop will be served in the Fellowship Hall after the program. Bring neighbors, friends, and guests to share in the celebration and fellowship.

It's time to renew our group **Anabaptist World subscription.** The group subscription rate is \$44 (individual rate is \$54). If you would like to subscribe through the Eden group subscription, contact the office.

BEYOND OUR COMMUNITY

Camp Mennoscah Verenike Casserole Meal will be available for pick-up or dine in at 5:30–6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, Faith Mennonite Church in Newton. The meal (suggested donation of \$20) consists of verenike casserole, seasoned green beans, zweiback, and fruit crisp. Camp feeds your soul and this favorite youth camp meal will feed your belly! Call 620-297-3290 with questions. Get ready for the busy days before Christmas with a meal you didn't have to prepare! [Reserve your meal here!](#)

Let Central Kansas Master Chorale be a part of your Christmas tradition! Please join us for **Christmas with the Chorale**, a festive concert under the direction of Dr. Joel Garber, and featuring the Prairie Bronze Handbell Ensemble. This free event will be at 3 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 15 at Hesston Mennonite Church, 309 S Main Street, Hesston. More information: www.centrankansasmasterchorale.org.

The 2024-25 Prairie Window Concert Series welcomes [Rachel Baiman](#) at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 15 at the Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. [Purchase tickets online at dyckarboretum.org](#) or call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) to reserve your seats.

Camp Mennoscah: There are currently materials on hand for 18 of 35 projects remaining on the HVAC renovation at the Retreat Center. Work groups can be of any size (within reason). Contact Isaac at 316-217-5626 or Olivia at 316-293-7313 to set up a time for you or your group.

Anabaptism at Five Hundred: Hymn Festival: 3 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025, at Hesston Mennonite Church. Hosted by the Hesston College Music Department, this

event will also celebrate the release of the *Anabaptist Community Bible*. The Hymn Festival coincides with the 500th anniversary of the first Anabaptist adult baptisms that took place in Zurich, Switzerland in 1525.

Join the Global Anabaptist Bible Read-a-thon! This is your opportunity to take part in a once-every-500-year moment of unity and faith! MennoMedia's Anabaptism at 500 is collaborating with Mennonite World Conference in this extraordinary event as 500 voices will join to read through the entire Bible – from Genesis to Revelation – in multiple languages. Register [here](#).

Looking Ahead

- Dec. 8: 9:30 a.m. Worship / 10:40 Sunday School
Dec. 11: 6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve program practice
Dec. 11: 7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
Dec. 11: 8 p.m. Chancel Choir
Dec. 15: 9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 Congregational meeting to affirm the budget and slate
10:40 Sunday School
Dec. 18: 6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve program practice
Dec. 22: 9:30 a.m. Worship / 10:40 Sunday School
Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Christmas Eve program
Dec. 29: 9:30 a.m. Worship / 10:40 Sunday School

Last Week: Attendance: 162, Zoom: 6, SS: 116
Offering: Budget: \$44,822.63, SS: \$3.10

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