Willow Springs Mennonite Church

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Epiphany Sunday

9:30 **WORSHIP**

Prelude singing
Gathering/Confessing/Reconciling with candle lighting

Worship in song
Children's time

Scripture: Luke 2:11-12, 21-35
Sermon: *Simeon's Thanksgiving: Flowing from the Heart*
Song

Sharing and Pastoral Prayer
Offering
Announcements
Sending

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's class (basement)
Youth class (Pine Room)
Adult classes: An Ordinary Day with Jesus (Maple Room)
Talk It Over class (Pastors Study)
Connecting in conversation

Welcome to the Epiphany Sunday with the theme "The Holy Way: Walking in the way of God's Heart." God comes directly to us to impact our walking through life. Today's focus statement: God's day of radiance is at hand. It is a new day! Let thanksgiving flow from your heart this day and through the rest of time and eternity! In Jesus we know full life—a dwelling with the Lord for a new day of hope and thanks! Come, walk in the way of God's heart.

The plastic bank passed during the offering time is for coins (50 cents or so). This symbolizes our desire to combat world hunger. Proceeds are divided between MCC hunger projects and the local food pantry.

We are all invited to the Adams Adoption Celebration/Blessing of Onnesty and Jonathan, Tuesday, January 3, 2017, 4-6 pm at Plow Creek Church. RSVP to Camille Walker at 815 646-1134.

Kids Klub will be held Wednesday, January 4, 6:00-7:00 pm at the Tiskilwa Bible Church. Classes for K-8th grade.

Mennonite Women will meet Thursday, January 5, beginning at 9:30 am. Bring a sack lunch for noon.

Church board meeting, Thursday, January 5 at the home of Cal Zehr. Faith sharing by Connie Kauffman.

Upcoming winter events at Menno Haven:

January 6-8 Young Adult retreat
January 20-21 Junior High retreat with Jon & Lindsey Birkey
January 27-29 High School retreat with Kristin Jackson

Go to mennohaven.com for cost and registration details.

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Have a joyous New Year as the Lord brings us a new vision of life. May we grow in our trust as Jesus is our Lord, Savior and Friend. May the Lord use us to reach out to those on our path of life with the new vision of life as the year unfolds.

CALENDAR

January 15 Amela Puljek-Shank, area director of Europe and Middle East MCC here
January 22 Congregational meeting

Worship Leaders: Zehr family
Song leader: Phil Kaufmann
Children's story: Lori Boekeloo
Message: Cal Zehr