

# Willow Springs Mennonite Church

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## 9:30 WORSHIP

Singing  
Call to worship  
Confession  
Lighting of Advent candle  
Words of Assurance

Singing  
Children's time  
Dramatic Reading: *Wisdom and Wonder*  
Scripture: Luke 1:26-55  
Sermon: *The Angel: Message and Mission*  
Songs

Sharing and Pastoral Prayer  
Offering  
Announcements  
Sending

**No Sunday school today**

## Welcome to Willow Springs this Advent!

**Theme:** "Yes, Let it be," from Mary's prayer in Luke 1:38, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Mary had just heard an amazing plan—and from an angel, no less! The plan was for her to carry and give birth to the Son of God! Mary responded, "Let it be so."

**Focus statement:** Infused with god's vision, we proclaim with confidence, "Let it be with us according to your word!"

Worship Leader: Heather Munn    Song leader: Phil Kaufmann  
Children's story: Lori Boekeloo & Randy Hermanson  
Message: Cal Zehr

**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 the local food pantry and MCC hunger projects.

**Thanks to all** who helped with MCC Meat Canning in Freeport. Thanks to all who joined the caroling at Greenfield on Thursday.

**Kids Klub:** no meeting this week or next. Resumes January 10.

**New Year's Eve candle lighting service** next Sunday, December 31. 7:30 pm in the church basement. Please bring finger food, snacks or sweets to share after the service. Brings games for a time of fellowship as well.

**We provide scholarships to our students at Mennonite colleges.** Our portion for next semester is \$1000 which is matched by the college. \$390 is still needed. Please consider a year-end gift to the scholarship fund and extra giving to the budget. Thank you!

**Bill Pollack asks us to consider sending a Christmas card to a friend** who receives no mail. Anthony Erpenbeck 0387-061 9/2 PO Box 4000, Rochester MN 55903.

## CALENDAR

Dec. 31      New Year's Eve Candlelight Service

## Available for your use:

Accessible restroom by library  
Childcare for children through age 4 (following children's story)  
Elevator located inside main door and by library  
Large print hymnals & hearing devices available from ushers

## VISION STATEMENT

Willow Springs is a thriving Anabaptist community of believers saved by grace who love and desire to follow Jesus Christ. We celebrate life together through joyful worship, faithful study, intentional sharing of the gospel and compassionate caring and service to others.

**MCC project: Towels, soap, fabric.** Pick up details from the MW table.

## MCC project: Soap, Towels, Fabric

**Soap:** New wrapped bars of bath or laundry soap. All sizes & brands.  
**Towels:** New bath & hand towels. Dark or bright colors, good quality, medium weight. No washcloths.