

Willow Springs Mennonite Church

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9:30 WORSHIP

Singing
Call to worship
Worship in song

Song "Hope is a Candle" (Children come forward)
Lighting of Advent candle
Children's time
Scripture: Luke 3:1-18
Sermon: *Righteous Branch Press Conference:*

John the B, P,B & C,R

Songs
Sharing and Pastoral Prayer
Offering
Announcements
Sending

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's classes - age 2 through 8th grade (basement)
Adult classes: *Just Eating* – Maple Room
Talk it over class – Pastor's study
Connecting in Conversation

Welcome to Willow Springs Church with our theme *The Lord is Our Righteousness*. Our focus statement: "On this second Sunday of Advent we listen with open hearts to the one who proclaims God's goodness embodied in the Messiah. By listening, we learn what we can do to prepare ourselves to live in right relating as embodied in Jesus' life and message.

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.

Worship leader – Heather Munn Song Leader – Phil Kaufmann
Children's story – Lori Boekeloo Sermon – Cal Zehr
Candlelighter – Dave Bell

This afternoon all are invited to enjoy Cal and Carol's Christmas Open House from 3 - 7 pm at their home at 130 North Galena St in Tiskilwa.

MCC Meat Canning at Freeport Mennonite Church, December 10, 11, 12. Cal plans to serve tomorrow. Others may go on Wednesday. Talk to Cal if you are interesting in going.

Kids Klub, Wednesday, December 12, 6-7 pm at the Tiskilwa Bible Church. Classes for K-8th grade.

Mennonite Women meeting, Thursday, December 13, beginning at 9:30 am at the church. Come for fellowship and working on projects. Please bring a sack lunch.

Tiskilwa Christmas Worship Service, next Sunday, December 16, 7 pm at the Tiskilwa Bible Church. Come listen to the story of Christmas in scripture and carols. Bring some Christmas treats or finger food to share in a time of fellowship following the service.

Thanks to all who helped decorate the building for Advent/Christmas.

Thanks for your generosity over the first three months of our fiscal year. Our offerings are about \$2400 short for meeting our budget. Consider an end-of-year gift for Willow Springs.

Attention Young Adults: For the Menno Haven Young Adult Retreat January 4-6, Willow Springs will cover \$25 of your registration as an encouragement to take in the input, fellowship, and food of the weekend! Aaron Kaufmann will be providing the input.

MCC Project: Hygiene Kits to be sent to families who have fled their homes because of disaster or war as well as to schools and orphanages. Please pick up a bag and list of contents from the Mennonite Women table. You may purchase an entire kit or individual pieces.

CALENDAR

December 17 Singing at Our Table, 5 pm