

Our Mission

- Enabling our church family to know and live the Christian way of life as revealed in Christ
- Serving the community and the world so that all may experience our love and the love of God

**Worship
December 4, 2011
8:30 a.m.**

Second Sunday of Advent

Gathering Together

Welcome and Announcements Jeff and Andrea Proulx

Prelude

*Call to Worship Jeff and Andrea Proulx

One: Wonderful counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace,
Our names for God are many, but never quite enough
For the one who speaks into darkness
And draws us out of our chaos
Into the beauty of new life.

**All: Come to us, O God,
In all that you are
to rescue all that we are.
Save us from our hopelessness
Our carelessness
Our apathy, fear, and frustration.
Heal our broken Spirits,
and lead us to the stable
where our salvation is born.
In Christ-promise we pray, Amen.**

*Hymn *Child in the Manger* #189

Scripture Reading Isaiah 11:6

Advent Candle Lighting Madison & Courtney Proulx

Special Music *Lighting Candles* Children's Choir

Bringing our Gifts to God

Scripture Reading Isaiah 9:2-7

Offertory Prayer (Unison) Insert

Offertory **(Please print your name on the attendance register. If you are a guest, please include your address and/or telephone number.)**

Doxology #668

Coming Before God in Prayer

Call to Prayer *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* #178

Time for Silent Prayer

Communal Prayer

Seeking the Word

Scripture Reading Isaiah 11:1-9

Meditation *"The Prophet Song"* Pastor Daniel

Responding to the Word

*Hymn *To us a Child of hope is born* Insert

*Benediction

*Postlude

***All who are able may stand.**
Audio enhancement for the hearing impaired is available.
Please check with the head usher.

Greeters Carol, Nicholas & Samuel Wingert
John and Dorothy Mummau

Ushers Ray Burkholder, John Mummau
Nathan Eshleman and Nelson Wengert

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:

Worship Leadership/Advent Lighting:
Jeff, Andrea, Madison & Courtney Proulx

Music Leadership Jacqueline Picking
Organist Sandy Sleichter

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**Worship
(in Brethren Life Center)
December 4, 2011
10:45 A.M.**

Second Sunday of Advent

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn *Here I Am to Worship* #130

Scripture Reading Isaiah 11:6

Advent Candle Lighting Jeremy & Bennett Gorman

Hymn *Emmanuel* #201

Scripture Reading Isaiah 9:2-7

Offertory Prayer (Unison) Insert

Offertory *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* #177
(Offering to be received while this song is being sung.)

Communal Prayer

Scripture Reading Isaiah 11:1-9

Meditation *"The Prophet Song"* Pastor Daniel

*Hymn *To us a Child of hope is born* Insert

***Benediction**

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:

Advent Lighting Jeremy & Bennett Gorman
Music Leader Jacqueline Picking
Greeters/Ushers Galen and Nancy Yeager

Schedule of Events and Activities

Today, December 04

Childcare is available for infants thru age 3 in the Crib Room during the 8:30 a.m. service.

Preschool Sunday School Class has been moved to Toddler I & II Rooms for the month of December.

The Searchers Sunday School Class will Christmas Carol today. Meet at the home of John and Margie Diller at 2:00 p.m. Following the Caroling, a sharing meal will be at 6:00 p.m. Bring a dish to share.

Monday, December 5

6:30 p.m. – Church Executive Committee Meeting – CR

6:30 p.m. – Christian Education Committee Meeting - Library

Wednesday, December 7

8:30 a.m. – Quilting

1:00 p.m. – Tables Games – MFH

6:30 p.m. – Handbells Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. – Stewardship Commission Meeting – Library

7:00 p.m. – Missions & Service Commission Meeting – CR

7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 8

7:00 p.m. – Prayer Group – Brethren Haus

Please take Note

Please take note that the next Pastor's Pen will combine the months of December and January. Deadline for the December/January Pastor's Pen is today, December 4th. Please submit all information to the church office.

The bicycles in the Brethren Life Center Lobby are available for individuals who can make good use of them. See Pastor Daniel if interested in a bicycle.

Church Board Minutes from the meeting held November 7, 2011 are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex and BLC Lobby for anyone to view.

Your Board has approved the purchase of new drapes for the sanctuary at a cost of \$17,000., and the purchase of a new furnace for the church at a cost of \$33,000. The payment of these items will be paid out of reserves. However, the Board agreed to make the opportunity available for anyone wishing to donate funds toward these items. Please use the special offering envelopes provided in the pews and mark the donation accordingly.

The Church Executive Committee will meet on Monday, December 5, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

The Christian Education Committee will meet on Monday, December 5, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library.

The Stewardship Commission will meet on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library.

The Missions & Service Commission will meet on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

The Helping Hands Circle Christmas Party will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2011 at the home of Margie Diller. Bring a finger food to share and a gift.

The Children's Outreach Committee will meet on Thursday, December 15, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Volunteers needed to help in the nursery for the 8:30 a.m. service.

Sundays in March, April, May 2012 still need filled. Many thanks to those who've already signed up to help. You'll be getting a copy of the schedule in your mailboxes SOON!! If you'd like to help, please see Gloria Oldham or call her at 263-7783.

Chambersburg Area Senior High School Choristers will present a free concert of Christmas music on Sunday, December 11, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in the church nave of St. Paul United Methodist Church in Chambersburg. A free will offering will be taken. All are invited to a reception following the concert.

An All-American Christmas Show at the Capitol Theatre in Chambersburg on Sunday, December 18, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for Adults and can be bought online at thecapitoltheatre.org or by calling 263-0202.

Yard Sale – Friday, January 13th and Saturday, January 14th, 2012 in the Brethren Life Center. Mark your calendars and plan to participate!

The church board is seeking a volunteer to assist with managing public relations activities for the church. Work could include preparing announcements and contacting local media (newspaper, radio, etc.) about activities and opportunities at the church. If you have any interest in helping out in this area, please contact the church office.

Needed: Non-perishable food items and empty egg cartons for the Food Pantry. Please place items in the barrels located in the narthex or BLC Lobby.

Church Closing Schedule: December – Donald Lehman;
January – Mike Oldham