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Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, December 15, 2019

Prelude

Worship Hymn

O little town of Bethlehem

HWB #191

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Welcome

Lighting the Advent Wreath

Sunday School Children's Christmas Program A "Beastly" Christmas by John O. Eby

Please remain seated when singing

Friendly Beasts Verses 1 and 2

Camel Scene

Friendly Beasts Verse 3

Donkey Scene

Away in the Manger HWB #194

Friendly Beasts Verse 4

Cow Scene

Friendly Beasts Verse 5

Sheep Scene

HWB #197 Angels We Have Heard on High

While shepherds watched HWB #196

Stable Scene

HWB #318 *Iov to the World*

Offering & Prayer

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Reflection by Pastor Jack Scandrett

Hymn HWB #193 Silent Night

Benediction

Musical Response and Postlude

A "Beastly" Christmas Cast

Camels

Joey Kramer - Jarrod and Bekka Kramer Ethan Waltner - Brandon and Kylea Waltner Jessica Hofer - Aprille and Kenny Birkey

Donkey

Isabel Waltner - Brandon and Kylea Waltner

Cows

Alyssa Hofer - Chad and Rebecca Hofer Genna Kramer - Jarrod and Bekka Kramer Bridget Neuharth - Eric and Michelle Neuharth Brynlee Hofer - Chad and Rebecca Hofer

TODAY - December 15 Third Sunday of Advent

Greeters: John and Monica Clem

10:00 am: Sunday School Christmas Program

Advent Candle Lighters: Jordyn Hofer **Accompanists:** Paige Zachariasen

Worship Leader: Pastor Jack Scandrett Worship Music: Children's Sunday School

Message: Pastor Jack Scandrett

No Coffee Time

Brunch after Sunday School Christmas program. All are welcome to enjoy!

NEXT SUNDAY – December 22 Forth Sunday of Advent

Greeters:

9:45 am: Worship Service

Advent Candle Lighters: Michelle Neuharth

Accompanist: Norma Hofer

Worship Leader: Dennis Schrock

Worship Music: Carol and Glenda Langeland

Scripture Reading: Torrie Zachariasen Message: Pastor Jack Scandrett

Coffee Time: Larry and Edie Tschetter
10:45 am: Sunday School for all ages

<u>Sheep</u>

Isaac Mettler - Rodney and Amanda Waltner Addison Waltner - Brandon and Kylea Waltner Egan Mettler - Rodney and Amanda Waltner Camilla Hofer - Cameron and Rina Hofer

Mary and Joseph

Kenny & Aprille Birkey

Co-Directors

Rebecca Hofer, Barbie Hofer, Bekka Kramer Music Suzanne Koerner

Prayer Requests:

- * Pastor Jack-Bless the time with their family
- * Bekka Kramer recovering from surgery
- * Randy Glanzer recovering from surgery
- * Other Concerns

Calendar of Events

December 18, 7:00pm: Church Board Meeting

December Projects

Congregational Ministries: Cookie Walk Children's Sunday School
Department: Swan Lake

Christian Camp

Community & Beyond

Flandreau Project: Another delivery of donated items will be delivered to Flandreau on Wednesday night, December 18. Items need at this time are diapers (sizes 4,5 & 6) as well as food items (Corn tortillas, Rice, Tomato products, Dry beans or Canned beans). Please drop off your items by Tuesday evening, December 17 in Gary Grabers garage at 904 E. South County Rd in Freeman. Monetary gifts can be made out to: "Bienvenidos a Brookings" (Flandreau Project in memo) or to "Brookings Foundation" (501(c)(3) with (Bienvenidos a Brookings in memo) and mailed to Tom Manzer, 929 4th St. Brookings, S.D. 57006

As the holidays approach, the **Et Cetera Shoppe** once again would welcome your **donations of traditional pfeffernusse (peppernut) cookies** made from the recipe of your choice. Every year, the sale of peppernuts at the shop greatly boosts our end-of-year giving to the work of Mennonite Central Committee. Making peppernuts can be a fun holiday activity to do with grandchildren, mentees, youth groups, extension clubs, and anyone else – so please consider making a batch and bringing them.

Swan Lake Christian Camp 2020 Winter Retreats are just around the corner. Make plans now to attend. Family Camp is February 28–March 1. Families with children, grand-parents, singles and young married couples are all invited to attend this fun filled weekend. ALSO don't forget to sign your kids up for Winter Youth retreats. Dates are as follows: 5&6th Grade Retreat January 10-11, Junior Hight Retreat January 17-19 and Senior High Retreat January 24-26. SIGN UP AT **www.myslcc.com**

Join an intentional community with peers, serve with a local nonprofit, and plug into your neighborhood and local congregation in places like Chicago; Washington, D.C.; San Francisco; and Alamosa. Learn more at **www.MennoniteMission.net/Serve**. Age: 20+; term: 1–2 years

Need a change of scenery? Join SOOP and use your gifts and skills to work alongside others in a network of ministries across the church. Flexibility designed for retirees, families, and adults over 25.

Explore opportunities at www.MennoniteMission.net/Serve.

Please stop and take a look at the beautiful tree in the foyer. Continuing the new tradition, the Sunday School children made the ornaments to share with each of you. Once the Advent season is over, the children would like to invite you to take one home to add to your tree.

Christmas Medieval Chant

Jesus, our Brother, kind and good Was humbly born in a stable rude, And friendly beasts around him stood; Jesus, our Brother, kind and good.

Thus said the camel, sturdy and strong, "Loaded with gifts we traveled along But in my heart I carried a song."

Thus said the camel, sturdy and strong.

Thus said the donkey, shaggy and brown, "I carried his mother up hill and down; I carried his mother to Bethlehem town." Thus said the donkey, shaggy and brown.

Thus said the cow, all white and red,
"I gave him my manger for a bed,
I gave him my hay to cradle his head."
Thus said the cow, all white and red.

Thus said the sheep with the curly horn, "I gave him my wool for his blanket warm. He word my coat on Christmas morn." Thus said the sheep with the curly horn.

Thus every beast by some good spell In the stable was glad to tell Of the gift he gave to Emmanuel, The gift he gave Emmanuel.

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