#### **Nurture Hour**

Sunday school begins at 11:00 a.m. and ends at 12:00 p.m. First enjoy a time of fellowship after the worship service.

- INFANTS & TODDLERS (ages 0-2) Cherub corner
- PRESCHOOL I (age 3) Joyful class
- PRESCHOOL II (ages 4) Forgiveness class
- PRIMARY (grade K-2) Peaceful class
- MIDDLER (grade 3-5) Gentleness class
- JUNIOR YOUTH JYF (grades 5-7) off Jubilee Hall
- HIGH SCHOOL MYF (grades 8-12) off Jubilee Hall
- COLLEGE Library
- YOUNG ADULT off Jubilee Hall
- ADULTS
  - Better than a Donut end of hallway
  - Bible Alive music room
  - New Life Stage (for people in their 30's and 40's) sanctuary
  - Sermon Response between Jubilee hall and Marilyn's office
  - Spiritual Discernment sanctuary
  - Spiritual Gifts prayer room
  - Women's Circle: Tending Our Souls Dan's office

# Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship

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## Advent 3: Healing

Come, walk in the way of God's healing, justice, and peace.

#### Prelude

### Gathering

Song: O Come, O come, Immanuel (v 1)

Reading:

Leader: In the nighttime of sorrow,

we become impatient and lose hope.

People: Our joy disappears,

and our songs become silent.

We forget the truth

that God will come and restore all creation.

Leader: O God, show us the way of your healing.

All: Come! Walk in the way of God's healing, justice,

and peace!

Songs: O Come, O come, Immanuel (vv 3 & 4)

Maranatha, come (vv 3 & 5)

## **Praising**

Reading: Psalm 30

Songs: Hail to the Lord's anointed

O little town of Bethlehem (vv 1, 3 & 4) blue, 191
Will the Children? insert

blue, 185

Song: Will the Children? insert
Children's Time Patti MacGregor

Offering

Offertory Dan Schrock

## Confessing/Reconciling

Prayer of confession:

Leader: God of healing,

People: we yearn to walk in your way

but often choose our own path of

turmoil and pain. Save us, Lord,

from the pride and foolishness of

choosing our own course,

that we may humbly and confidently

follow your lead,

through Jesus Christ, Amen.

#### Words of Assurance

Leader: Throughout the tumult of life,

God holds you close in love.

Rejoice,

because God's wisdom is your guide. God's compassion is your strength. God's love is your redemption.

All: Come, let us walk in the way of God's healing!

Response Song: Alleluia purple, 87

## Hearing God's Word

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 35:1-10 New Testament Reading: Matthew 11:2-6

Interview of Rita Gingrich

## Responding

Anointing for healing

Songs:

I will come to you in the silencepurple, 49Healer of our every illblue, 377Don't be afraidgreen 105

Prayers of the people Laverne Nafziger

Musical Interlude

#### Welcome/Announcements

(Please pass the friendship registers.)

## Sending

Song: Hark! The herald angels sing

blue 201

#### Benediction:

Come! Walk in the way of God's healing.

The dawn is breaking!

Christ is coming to free us from pain and sorrow.

Christ will show us the way.

## **Worship Participants:**

Worship Leader: Steph Wieand

Musicians: Terri Plank Brenneman, Angela Shenk, Patsy Sherer

Ushers: Merrill and Clare Krabill AV Operator: Phil Bauman Visuals: Lana Smucker

Hearing assistance devices are available in the room beside the doors to the sanctuary. Please see the A/V operator if you would like one.

We offer childcare during worship after children's time for infants & toddlers. Children under 2 years of age may go to the Cherub Corner room, while 2 and 3 year olds may go to the MYF room.

Infant Care: Shirley Dick, Clare Krabill, Lindsy Deiner-Locke

Toddler Care: Diane Nafziger, Bev and Dave Krabill

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