



Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship

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Advent 2: Dare to Imagine God's Embrace!

Call to Worship

Songs: *Solemn Stillness, Weary Streets* (Song of the month) VT 276
Longing for Light VT 715
10,000 Reasons / Bless the Lord VT 111
Greeting and Prayer Abbe Buller
Candle Lighting

Hearing God's Word

Confession and Assurance Abbe Buller
Song: *Will the children?**
Children's Time Deb Williams
Prayer and Offering Abbe Buller
Offertory Song: *He's Sweet I Know*
Scripture and Sermon Mark Schloneger
Scripture: Malachi 3:1-4, Luke 1:67-79
Sermon: "Welcome, Child"

Responding

Song of Response: *There is More Love Somewhere* VT 804
(Guests: Adelyn Wieand, Olivia Adcock, Lily Lanctot, Isabela Barahona)
Congregational Prayer Richard Kauffman

Sending

Announcements & Benediction Abbe Buller
(Please pass the friendship registers.)
Song: *Comfort, Comfort, O My People* VT 212

Worship Participants

AV Technician: Terry MacGregor
Candle Lighter: Tavi Mounsithiraj
Song Leaders: Elisabeth Barahona, Lois Mast, Lindsay Diener-Locke
Accompanists: Rafael Barahona, Andrew Lanctot, Jim Richer, Angela Shenk
Ushers: Deb and Dan Williams
Visuals: Roxanna Sommers (*"With this art piece, I like to imagine a journey through these trying times to all the blessings God has in store just for us. Usually a large wall hanging takes several weeks at least, to plan and construct. I definitely felt the Spirit's guidance, as this came together in one week. I felt led to the design, the materials were easily obtained, and solutions to problems were revealed to me quickly. As you bring your own thoughts to it, may you be blessed. Thanks be to God."*)

**Will the children?*, written by Greg Smucker

Fellowship

Following the service, please join us outside for a time of fellowship and coffee. If the weather prevents us from going outside, we ask that people refrain from eating or drinking so that everyone can remain masked.

Nurture Hour

Everyone is invited to participate in Sunday School. Classes begin 15 minutes after the worship service.

- INFANTS & TODDLERS (ages 0-2) – Cherub corner
- PRESCHOOL II (age 4) – Forgiveness class
- KINDERGARTEN (age 5) Kindness class
- PRIMARY (grade 1) - Peaceful class
- MIDDLE I (grades 2-3) - Gentleness class
- MIDDLE II (grade 4-5) – Patience class
- JUNIOR YOUTH (grades 6-8) – off Jubilee Hall
- HIGH SCHOOL (grades 9-12)
- COLLEGE – Library
- ADULTS
 - Sermon Response – Jubilee Hall
 - Tending Our Souls – Classroom between Jubilee Hall and the office hallway.
 - Defund Police? An Abolition Curriculum – Sanctuary