

Groffdale Mennonite Church



3RD SUNDAY OF *Advent*

December 17, 2017

Groffdale Mennonite Church

Our Mission: To be a healing community of believers passionately committed to Jesus as Lord through worship, nurture, and outreach.
Every member a minister!

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Welcome! We are glad you are here!

8:30 a.m. Pre-service Prayer Time (conference room #201)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

Prelude—Derrick Lambert

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Welcome/Announcements and Call to Worship—Audrey Groff

Opening Hymn—Keith Stoltzfus

Collection of items for Puerto Rican families in Lancaster

Children's Time—Rick and Ruthie Umble

Offering: Program Fund Offertory—Derrick Lambert

Children will be collecting coins for MDS in Puerto Rico

Praise Music—Keith Stoltzfus

Lighting of Advent candle

Special Music—Imchen sisters

Children's Church—Rachel Gavilondo

Sermon—Pastor Tom Eshleman

"Let it be Whole"

Scripture Text: Isaiah 61:1-4, John 1:6-8, 19-28

Benediction

*Prepare
the Way
of the
LORD*

Serving Today:

Greeters—Glenn and Helen Hershey

Ushers—Elmer and Minerva Nolt

Projectionist—Trevor Lambert

Sound Technician—Dale Weaver

Nursery: 10:00—Mindy and Owen Nolt



Bring these situations to God in prayer:



- ◆ Those in our church and community who are missing loved ones especially at this time of year.
- ◆ Our Junior Youth as they prepare to attend the Camp Hebron Retreat January 5-7 and the Senior Youth January 12-14.
- ◆ Promise Learning Center as they finish their first half of the school year. Pray continued blessings on the teachers, students, and parents.
- ◆ Pray that our Groffdale Christmas events would bring blessing to all who attend from the community.
- ◆ The people of Puerto Rico including refugees here in Lancaster who have experienced loss as a result of the hurricane.
- ◆ Those in California affected by wild fires.
- ◆ God's wisdom for our local, state, and national leaders.



Events This Week

Wednesday: **Morning prayer group**, 8:30 a.m. at the church
Sr. Youth Christmas Party, 7:00 p.m. at Martin's house
Jr. Youth—7:00 p.m. meet at the church

Sunday: **8:30 a.m. prayer**—all are welcome
Christmas Tea, 9:00 a.m. in the All Purpose Room
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, December 24, 2017

Prelude/Offertory: Bob Mohler
Worship Leader: Austin Horning
Praise Music: Jim Evans and
Joe Jaskolka
Hymns: Henry Youndt
Children's Time: Puerto Rico focus
Sermon: Tom Eshleman
Theme: Fourth Sunday of Advent
"Yes, Let it be now"
Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

Projectionist: Tanner Eshleman
Sound technician: Harold Musselman
Offering: Leadership Support
Greeters: Mel and Norene Martin
Ushers: Clete and Diane Weaver

Nursery:
10:00—Open



Schedule for Sunday, December 24

9:00 am—**Christmas Tea** in the all purpose room
(Sunday School classes will not be meeting)

10:00 am—**Worship Service**

7:00 pm—**Candle Light Service**



*Everyone is welcome!
Invite your friends and family!*

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