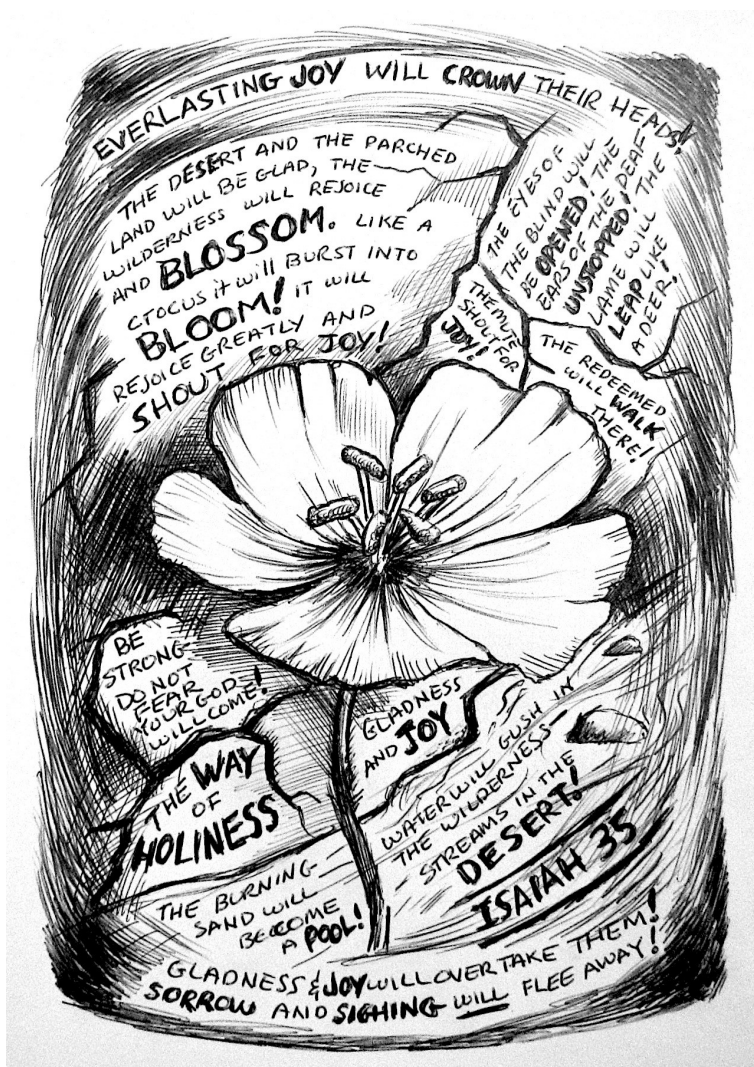


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Our Mission: To be a healing community of believers passionately committed to Jesus as Lord through worship, nurture, and outreach.
Every member a minister!

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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 - Rick Umble

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Opening Hymn: Glenn Hershey

Welcome and Announcements: Audrey Groff

Prayer and Offering: Church Facilities

Offertory: Rick Umble

Children's Time

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Worship in Song: Keith Stoltzfus

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 35:1-10

Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman

Title: "The Wilderness will Rejoice and Blossom"

Hymn of Response

Benediction



This week's bulletin cover was designed by David Moore.



Serving Today:

Greeters - Clair and Pat Mast
Ushers - Roy and Ada Burkhardt
Projectionist - Trevor Lambert
Sound Technician - Dale Weaver

Bring these situations to God in prayer:

- ◆ Norene Martin as she recovers from surgery this past week.
- ◆ Continued healing and recovery for Doug Hoover who underwent a heart catheterization last week.
- ◆ Marie Hoover in the midst of health challenges.
- ◆ Healing and recovery for Pastor Austin.
- ◆ John Jacob Oberholtzer who is in declining health.
- ◆ Angelica Prins as she spends time with family in Paraguay. Pray for Angelica to receive the proper documents for her travels home on December 25.
- ◆ Kayley Eshleman who will be flying home from Costa Rica on December 20 and returning to Honduras on January 2.
- ◆ Becki as she adjusts to life in the Middle East.
- ◆ Give thanks to God for the children's ministry team that met for the first time on Monday.
- ◆ The group that will be gathering for prayer at 8:30 this Wednesday, December 18.



Events This Week

Wednesday: **Morning prayer group**, 8:30 a.m. at the church
Youth Group Christmas Party, at Trevor Lambert's house

Sunday: **8:30 a.m. prayer**—all are welcome
9:00 a.m. - Christmas Tea in the all purpose room
(Sunday School classes will not be meeting)

Next Sunday, December 22, 2019

Prelude/Offertory: Bob Mohler
Worship Leader: Steve Lindsey
Praise Music: Jim Evans/Joe Jaskolka
Hymns: Keith Stoltzfus
Sermon: Pastor Austin Horning
Theme: 4th Sunday of Advent

Projectionist: Tanner Eshleman
Sound technician: Harold Musselman
Offering: Leadership Support
Greeters: John and Henrietta Shertzer
Ushers: Elmer and Minerva Nolt

CHRISTMAS TEA

**Sunday, December 22 - 9:00 AM in the all purpose room
(Sunday School classes will not meet)**

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

**Tuesday, December 24 - 6:30 PM
6:30 pm—Candlelight Service**



**Mark your calendars and invite
family and friends to these special events**



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