

# *Groffdale Mennonite Church*



*Second Sunday of Advent*

**The Angelic Visitation  
to Zechariah and Elizabeth**

*December 5, 2021*

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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!***

**9:00 a.m. - Sunday School**

**9:50 - 10:00 a.m. - Prelude by Joe Jaskolka**

**10:00 a.m. - Worship Service**

Welcome and Call to Worship: Lloyd Weaver

Gathering Song: Lisa Zimmerman

“The Advent of our God” (#120 red hymnal)

Worship in Giving Tithes and Offerings: Groffdale Missionaries,  
EMM, Groffdale Sewing Circle

Offertory: Joe Jaskolka

Congregational Hymn: Lisa Zimmerman

“O Come, O Come Immanuel” (#172 blue hymnal)

Advent candle lighting and reading: Gavilondo family

Scripture Reading: Luke 1: 5-25 and 57-66

Sermon: Krista Snader

*“The Angelic Visitation to Zechariah and Elizabeth”*

Song of Response: Lisa Zimmerman

“Bless’d be the God of Israel” (#174 blue hymnal)

Commissioning of Krista to Pastoral Team: Pastor Richard Buckwalter

Prayer and Benediction





### Serving Today:

Ushers - Glen and Joyce Shenk

Projectionist - Diane Weaver

Sound Technician - Clair Mast

Live Stream - Jim Evans

Camera Operator - Dawn Moore

### Bring these people and situations to the Lord in prayer:

- Pastor Tom as he travels with the group from EMM and LMC to Senegal and Guinea Bissau. Pray for wisdom and guidance for the group as they navigate ever-changing COVID obstacles. (Morocco cancelled all incoming flights for two weeks, so Tom and Tanner's trip to Morocco needs to be postponed.)
- Earl Myers' father, Earl passed away on Monday. Funeral service is on Saturday. Please pray for the family during this time.
- Andres and Angelica as they continue to adjust and build relationships in Morocco.
- Healing and pain relief for Marie Hoover who has been experiencing significant pain in her hip.
- Krista Snader as she brings our message this Sunday.
- Pray God's blessing on the Gabilondo family as they light our Advent candle of peace this morning.
- Give thanks to God for the many young musical gifts emerging for our Christmas Eve service on December 24 at 6:00 pm.
- Pray for Jessica Kiefer as she begins orientation for her role as administrative assistant. Give thanks to God for the blessing that Joyce Shenk has been for our congregation in that role.
- Pray for those experiencing the pain of grief and loss during the Christmas season.

### Events This Week

Tuesday: **Sewing Circle**, 9:00 a.m. at the church

Wednesday: **Morning prayer group**, 8:30 a.m. at the church

## Sunday, December 12, 2021

Worship Leader: Brian Snader      Sound Technician: Dale Weaver  
Sermon: Pastor Richard Buckwalter      Live Stream: Chris Martin  
Prelude/Offertory: Linda Myers      Camera Operator: Brandon Snader  
Hymns Leader: Rick Umble      Offering: Leadership Support  
Projectionist: Janessa Eshleman      Ushers: Glenn and Helen Hershey

### PREACHING SCHEDULE



**December 12 - Pastor Richard Buckwalter**

**December 19 - Dave Moore**

**December 26 - Pastor Tom Eshleman**

**January 2 - Pastor Tom Eshleman**

#### *Pastoral care contact plan while Pastor Tom is in West Africa December 1-11*

We are grateful for the many people in our congregation available to assist with pastoral care. From December 1-11, Richard Buckwalter and Krista Snader will serve as the primary pastoral care contacts. If you can't reach either Richard or Krista, contact Levi Hoover or Miriam Martin. These persons will be in contact with others who can share in providing appropriate pastoral care. May God continue to hold us in His loving care!

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