

**Groffdale Mennonite  
Church**



Glory  
TO THE  
newborn  
KING

***December 25, 2022***

# *Groffdale Mennonite Church*

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

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## *Welcome! Merry Christmas! We are glad you are here!*

Prelude by Bob Mohler and Rick Umble

Welcome and Call to Worship by Krista Snader

Congregational Singing led by Keith Stoltzfus:

"Oh Beautiful Star of Bethlehem"

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

(#131 Red hymnal)

Lighting of Christ Candle and Reading

(written by James W.)

Special music by Lucinda Snader and Caeley

Zimmerman: "O Come All Ye Faithful"

Congregational Singing:

"Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming"

(#160 Red hymnal)

Offering for Leadership Support

Special music by Jeshua Day, Elijah Gavilondo, José

Gavilondo and Brandon Snader: "Silent Night"

Children's time led by Krista Snader

Christmas choir led by Lisa Zimmerman

"To Us a Child of Hope is Born"

"Joy to the World" (congregation join on verses  
3 and 4)

Meditation by Pastor Tom Eshleman

Congregational Singing

"Silent Night" (#147 Red hymnal)

"A Thousand Candles" (#159 Red hymnal)

Benediction

## Bring to the Lord in prayer:

- Pray healing for Joe Jaskolka.
  - Pray for those missing loved ones during this holiday season.
  - Pray for continued healing for Faythe Roberts.
  - Pray for Kayley Eshleman as she prepares to leave for a semester in Granada, Spain on January 4.
  - Pray for Tanner Eshleman leaving on January 1 for his Vida 220 outreach in northern Costa Rica.
  - Pray for Yamil Gavilondo's sister and her family who recently arrived in the United States from Cuba. (Yamil's niece Zoe and nephew Aaron were "Mary and Joseph" at Groffdale's Christmas Eve service.)
  - Pray for J and M as they spend time with family here in the U.S. over Christmas. They return to Central Asia in January.
  - Give thanks to God for the safe travels of Marie Hoover and Mag Nolt during their recent trip to Honduras.
  - Pray that Andres and Angelica would have a meaningful Christmas in Morocco as they take opportunities to share Jesus with friends and neighbors.
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*Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!  
Including Usher Minerva Nolt, and those behind-the-scenes:  
Sound Tech Brian Snader, Live Stream Will Baumiller,  
Camera Operator Harold Mohler, Back Table Helper Mag  
Nolt, and Nursery Workers Dawn Moore and Faye Woods.*

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Let's bless and encourage Sharon Eberly with a card shower as she returns to her new home.

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## Events this week:

Wednesday: **Morning Prayer Group**, 8:30am

**Please note:** *Sunday School classes will not be meeting on Christmas Day and New Years Day. The Cafe will be open at 9:30am both of these days and classes are welcome to gather informally as you choose.*

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**Daniel Decembrino:** Tuesday, December 27

**Janessa Eshleman:** Tuesday, December 27

**Lily Zimmerman:** Wednesday, December 28

**Audrey Myers:** Thursday, December 29

**Irvin Martin:** Tuesday, January 3

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

**Mark & Kathy Wenger:** Thursday, December 29



## **LOOKING AHEAD:**

### **Sunday, January 1, 2023**

Sharing by Lanny Millette and Rob Weatherholtz  
from Potter's House ministry

Everyone is invited to stay after the worship service  
to help pack the relief kits for MCC.

### **January 15, 2023**

Sharing together in the Lord's Supper  
as a congregation.

### **February 5, 2023**

Fellowship meal (a chili cook-off!)

## OFFERING

Listed below are the totals for last week's offering and deposits. Thanks for giving so generously!

Capital Projects	\$ 100
Church Facilities	\$ 4969
Leadership Support	\$ 1371
MCC-Ukraine	\$ 350
Missions	\$ 394
Program Fund	\$ 395

### Serving Next Sunday, January 1

Prelude: Joe Jaskolka

Hymns Leader: Lucinda Snader

Worship Leader:

Lee Zimmerman

Sermon: The Potter's House

Projectionist: Diane Weaver

Sound Tech: Clair Mast

Live Stream: Chris Martin

Camera Operator: Mim Auker

Ushers: Glen and Joyce Shenk

Offering: Groffdale Missionaries  
& EMM, 10% to Mennonite

Life, 10% to Mennonite

Disaster Service

Back Table: Brian Snader

Nursery Workers: Anna Day and  
Fern Bauman



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