

Shalom Mennonite Church

December 21, 2014

**During this season of Advent,
we are invited to enter worship in silence,
actively opening our spirits to God's presence in our midst.**

Hearing devices are available from an usher or the sound booth.

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome Ron Flaming

Gathering Music & Procession

We carry in a flame, the Bible and a prayer cloth. May we trust the Light to guide us, the Word to teach us, and prayer to knit our lives together with God as we begin our time of worship.

Opening Song HWB 178 *Come, thou long-expected Jesus*

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Confession and Assurance

The periods of silence will begin and end with the ringing of a chime.

Sung Response STJ 8 *Somos pueblo que camina (in Spanish)*

Proclaiming the Word

Adult Choir *Love came down at Christmas
A Merry Christmas Song - arr. Maurice Goldman*

Children's Time Beth Burns

*Nursery care for young children is available after Children's Time
till the end of the service.*

First Reading Luke 1:26-38

*Scripture passages are read in English or Spanish to reflect the
community in and around Shalom.*

Hymn HWB STJ 13 *My soul is filled with joy*

Second Reading Luke 1:39-56

Quiet Reflection

Meditation Sara Dick

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Responding to the Word

Hymn of Response HWB 344 *I will sing of my Redeemer*

Offertory and Prayer

Sharing Time and Introductions

*During this time in the service we welcome visitors, invite responses to the
worship service, and share prayer concerns and joys. Please sign the
Welcome Pages (black books) in the pews so we can learn each others'
names.*

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Sending Song HWB 43 *Christ is our cornerstone*

Benediction

Our purpose is to worship and praise God together, to pray for and encourage each other to live our covenant with God and to share Christ's good news with others. As Anabaptist Christians we will reach out to others, welcome all people, be aware of our neighbors and respond to their needs, and give ourselves to service.

9:30 am - Sunday School 10:45 am – Worship
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Greeters: Anita & Stan Bohn, Connie & Kevin Regier,
Gary & Gloria Rediger
Processional and Candle Lighting: Barbara Lehmberg, Eulala Pankratz
and Lola Schmidt.
Musicians: Anita Bohn, Martha Unruh Szambecki and Adult Choir
directed by Karen Schlabaugh with accompanist Greta Hiebert
Visual Arts: David Kaufman
Readers: Ron Flaming, Maria Jantz, Lindsey Regier, Jake Smucker,
Marilyn Wolgemuth
Sound & Closing: David Kaufman
Bulletin Cover: Salvador Dali, "Annunciation"

Pastor: Sara Dick
Transitional Pastor: Rob Burdette
Administrative Assistant: Grace Wenger
Church Moderator: Barth Hague

Advent Four

Oh, that you would reveal your love.



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