

Gathering

Light Procession: VT 238 *Wisdom from on High is Dawning* (v. 1)

Call to Worship

Welcome, Birthday Recognition

VT 212 *Comfort, Comfort, O My People*

Peace Lamp

Leader: Let justice roll down like a river

People: And goodness like an ever flowing stream.

Opening Ourselves

VT 143 *Come Now, O God*

Prayer of Confession

God of shadows and light, our thoughts are not your thoughts.

Our ways are not your ways.

Hear our confession. Heal our hearts. Forgive our sins.

In Jesus you call us to hope

that your justice will prevail– that the hungry will be fed and the lowly lifted up.

(silence)

In the light of the Christ child, in the shadow of the Most High, we make our confession and receive your forgiveness.

Amen.

Offering - VT 715 *Longing for Light*

Offertory Prayer

Holy One, Emmanuel: as you have given yourself to us through the coming of the Christ child, we also give ourselves to you.

Receive these offerings, given in hope, that they may be part of your life in this world. Amen.

Telling God's Story

VT 546 *There Is a Line of Women*

Children's time - *Those 3 and under are dismissed for Little Children's time, after which child care is available.*

Genesis 38: 1-27

The stories of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Sharing our Stories

VT 228 *Wait for the Lord*

Sermon response & Sharing from our lives

Pastoral Prayer

Sending

Welcoming Visitors

Announcements - *If you have an announcement that pertains to the whole congregation, please get it in writing to the worship leader.*

Sunday school teachers are dismissed

VT 808 *Between Darkness and Light*

Benediction

Children are dismissed for Sunday School

Second hour: Holden Evening Prayer in worship space (musicians: Bev Lapp, Anna Yoder Schlabach, Shauna Adaire). Please pick up music on your way in. Questions for discussion around tables in MP space.

Thanks to: *Worship Leader:* Becky Snider; *Song Leader:* Bev Lapp; *Light-Bearer:* J Kern, *Musicians:* Rachel and Ellie Hirschler, Anne and Martha Horst Hanby, Mary Gilbert, Anna Yoder Schlabach, Becky Smuts, Scott Hochstetler; *Scripture Reader:* Patricia Ebersole Zwier; *Children's Time:* Moriah Hurst; *Sermon:* Anna Yoder Schlabach; *Pastoral prayer:* Karl Shelly; *Tech Crew:* Patrick Coonan & Ben Good-Elliott; *Artwork:* Prints by Michelle Hershberger

HEARING ASSISTANCE

This worship space has two systems to help people with hearing loss participate more fully in our life together.

1. FM system. Get a receiver and an ear speaker from the sound booth.
2. Hearing Loop accessed by hearing aids with t-coils. Find a seat in the worship space and turn on the t-coils.

Upcoming Advent Events

December 7 Candle Dipping @ 1, 2, & 3pm at Steve Shantz's house

December 8 Messiah Singalong & Potluck

For more information about these and other upcoming Advent events, see the Assemblyline.

New to Assembly? Complete the Assembly Survival Kit questionnaire by scanning the QR code below.



**Advent 1 – Tamar: Advent Waiting
December 1, 2024**