

Assembly Mennonite Church

An Epiphany of Joy: How does a weary world rejoice?

Jan. 11, 2026

Gathering

VT 240 Joy to the World

Mary Gilbert, Song Leader

Call to Worship

Leader: In God's house we can be joyful

All: We can be grateful. We can be hopeful.

Leader: In God's house we can be weary.

All: We can be anxious. We can be grieving.

Leader: In God's house we can be honest.

**All: Inspired or tired, delighted or doubtful,
Connected or curious, and everything in between.**

Leader: This is God's house. You are welcome as you are.

All: Let us worship our loving God.

Welcome, Birthday Recognition

Opening Ourselves

Peace Lamp

Leader: Let joy flow down like a river

Congregation: And goodness like an ever-flowing stream

Offering - VT 762 This Little Light of Mine

1. This little light of mine
2. Everywhere I go
3. All through the night

Telling God's Story

VT 511 Come on, Children to the Gospel Feast

Children's time

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

Habakkuk 3:17-18 (NRSV)

Leader: The stories of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

"The plum you're going to eat next summer" by Gayle Brandeis

Sermon: "My joy is unshakeable" Marshall V. King

Sharing our Stories

VT 605 My Life Flows On, v. 1&2

Sermon response & Sharing from our lives

Pastoral Prayer

Anna Yoder Schlabach, Co-Pastor

VT 674 Our Father, Who Art in Heaven

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 847 You shall go out with joy

Benediction

Children are dismissed for Sunday School

Second hour: ABC groups. Join at the location that matches the *first letter* of your *first name* for discussion groups on how we live out our particular calling at Assembly.

A-E (worship space)	F-K (MP south)	L-Q (MP east)	R-Z (MP west)
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Thanks to: Musicians: Beverly Lapp, Leon Bauman, Wilma Harder, and Jim Stump; Tech Crew: Hannah Friesen, Phil Good-Elliott; Visuals: Kimberly Glick; Worship Leading: Small Group Omnivores (Bre, Trevor, Elona, and Georgia Daugherty; Elaine and Linford Martin; Liz, Aaron, Lucy, and Will Shenk, Bethany Swope and Marshall King).

HEARING ASSISTANCE

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