

## 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)

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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