

Conestoga Mennonite Church



Our Living **Hi**STORY MISSION:
Joyfully Living Christ's Story to Benefit Others

December 6, 2020

"Advent: 'On The Road'"

Number 49

9:30 AM Teaching the Word

Classes available for all ages -

Youth/Adult Options: "Living the Anabaptist Story" in FH
"Salt and Light Class" in Conference Room

Morning Worship (10:30 AM)

Dec. 6 Advent Focus: "When the heart is moving in readiness, there is an openness to the "new" - perhaps the fresh new thing God wants to do. To embrace the new requires a letting go of the past. Repentance means we are letting go and making space for God's new work in us."

Prelude Cheryl Heineman
Worship in Song *Worship Team led by Krista Petersheim*
Greetings of Peace
Welcome & Community Life Pastor Bob
Is. 40:1-11 & Lighting the Advent Candle Sonya, Josiah & Lorraine S.
Ministry of Music Veronica Lusengya
Dismiss Children K-Gr. 5 for Children's Church
Our Living HiStory Prayer
Advent Hymns
The Word of the Lord Mark 1:1-5
Message: "The Gift of Repentance"
Response Hymn
Benediction

Giving: You are welcome to give tithes and offerings through our on-line giving option, stamped mail or lobby box. Thank You!

Message copies are on our Sound Booth.

Today:

- Children's Church with Lois Ann, Cameron & David Johnson: M4:6a
- Greeters: Lyle & Tina Essick
- Prayer Ministry: Nelson & Marilyn Beam
- Nursery: Dani Cupo & Dot Leatherman
- Christmas Carol Hymn Sing, 6 -7 PM

~This Week at CMC~

- **Tuesday, 7 PM** - Pastoral Team
- **Wednesday, 7 PM** - Food Pantry Stocking
- **Thursday, 9:30 AM** - Teddy Bear Club
- **Friday, 6-9 PM** - Youth & Family Caroling

Next Sunday:

- Preaching Elder Sonya Stoltzfus will share "On the Road to Restoration" from Is. 61:1-4 & 8-11
- Nursery - Dani Cupo & Carol Moss

~Conestoga Notes~

Adult SS: We are grateful to Lemar and Lois Ann for their leadership of our *Anabaptist* elective today with guest teacher, historian John Weber; and to CMC teachers leading our "Salt & Light" lessons through Feb. 28.

Worship Décor: A big thanks to Kristy Unruh and Team for our Advent Décor. Your efforts are much appreciated!

Constitution Ballot: Due to not meeting last week, we have extended the deadline for returning your Constitution Review ballot through the end of worship today. Extra copies are on the lobby shelf.

Anyone interested in helping to facilitate some **fun activities for CMC and community children**, please contact Marilyn Beam.

Still Waters Housing Need: If you have a spare room or apartment that you are willing to use for housing at-risk women, please contact Jill Waters. This is an ongoing need for Still Waters ministry.

Since **Senior Connections** is cancelled this Thursday, there is a gift in our lobby today for anyone age 60 & older. See you at Senior Connections in January! See you in January for our next Senior Connections! *Merry Christmas!*

Copies of the quarterly devotional "**Rejoice**" are on our lobby shelf.

Appointment sign-up info. for the **Community Blood Drive** on Dec. 29, hosted by CMC, is on the lobby board.

Please **update your 2020 Directory** for Jody & Johanna Essick - 1116 Hampden Dr; Strasburg 17579

~Prayer~

Continue in prayer for CMC Members:

- **Steve** and family as he receives chemo. Pray for strength to endure impacts leading to full healing
- **Sam** living with kidney stones. Pray doctors would have wisdom regarding best way to address
- **Clyde** healing well from cataract surgery and anticipating the second eye procedure tomorrow.

Pray for **Cheryl's friend Sue** anticipating brain tumor surgery tomorrow.

Pray for former CMC staff, **Arnie & Esther** Petersheim in the passing of Esther's mother.

This week we highlight our budget mission investment in **Twin Valley Food Pantry**. Praise God for the many ways we reflect God's generosity to our neighbors in need in partnership with our many community partners.

~Looking Ahead~

Dec. 20 - Christmas Brunch during SS

Dec. 24 - Candle Lighting Service, 7 PM

Dec. 29 - Community Blood Drive, 2-7 PM

(by appt. only & socially distanced in the FH)

Jan 2, 2021 - Day trip to Deerpark for woodcutting mission

~November 29, 2020 Reports~

Attendance: on line service only

General Offering: \$1,665; **Designated Offering:**

TVFP - \$250; Christian Ed. - \$205

Our Ministers: Every Member

Pastoral Team:

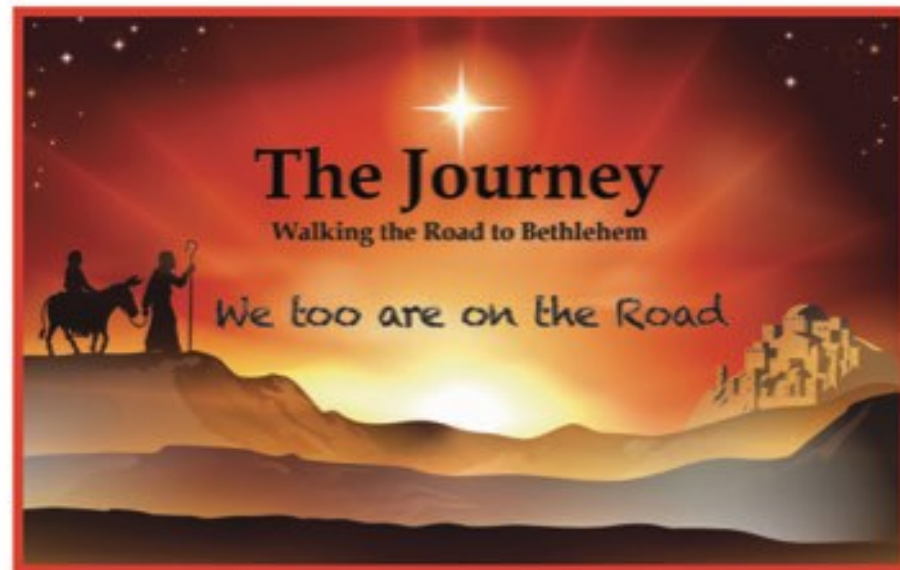
Pastor Bob, Chair
Nelson Beam, Elder, Vice Chair
Bob Horning, Elder
David Heineman, Elder
Jerry Petersheim, Elder
Sonya Stoltzfus, Preaching Elder
Austin Unruh, Preaching Elder
Ruth Miller, Deacon Elder

Ministry Council:

Pastor Bob, Chair
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Dir. of Fellowship: Tina Essick
Dir. of Mission: Justin Kolb
Dir. of Stewardship: Lyle Essick
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"On the Road"

... with Jesus (Nov. 22)
... to Readiness (Nov. 29)
... to Repentance (Dec. 6)
... to Restoration (Dec. 13)
... to Rejoicing (Dec. 20)
... to Radiance (Dec. 27)

Welcome
on December 6, 2020, to
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