



Zion
**Mennonite
Church**

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Office hours Tuesdays to Fridays 9:00 am to 12:00 noon
Primary and Youth **Sunday School** 9:30 AM
We gather to Worship each Sunday 10:45 AM

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**Organist – Grace F.
Pianist – Marion D.**

**Worship Leader – Emily R.
Song Leader – Marcia M.**

Advent 2 – HOPE

We ask, What are you waiting for, O God?

**God hears our cries and calls to us in return with words of hope.
Can we hear God's invitation? God calls us to repent, pay attention,
and embrace the Lord's vision for a new creation.**

Prelude

Gathering Song *O Long-Awaited* in hymnal pocket

Candle Lighting

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Prayer

Praise Songs HWB #172 *O come, O come, Immanuel*
HWB #184 *Hark! The glad sound!*

Giving our Tithes & Offerings

Sharing and Prayer

Song HWB #197 *Angels we have heard on high*

Scripture Reading Isaiah 11:1-10

Matt D.

Message *Getting ready while we wait*

Lois Bukar

Response Song HWB #209 *Oh, how joyfully*

Benediction

Sending Song HWB #191 *O little town of Bethlehem*

Postlude

Reminder: we have great **Christmas gifts** available:
green reusable bags for \$2.50 and note pads for \$1.
They are on a chair in the foyer.

THIS WEEK:

Wednesday 8:30 am **Coffee Time** at Riverview Village Estates
Thursday noon **Advent service and lunch at Community Baptist**

Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones
- Jake Ginter, in hospital in Regina
- secondary students as they write exams and finish their Fall Semester courses
- our Leadership Team
- Swift Current: Christ the Redeemer Parish (Roman Catholic)
- Mennonite Church Sask: Herschel Ebenfeld Mennonite Church, pastors Margaret Ewen Peters and Gary Peters

Christmas Banquet December 21 at 5:30 pm

No ticket is required to the banquet this year but you need to sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board at the back. A collection will be taken at the supper to cover the costs of the food with the remainder going to a special project. The meal will be prepared by people from our congregation. If you are 80 years of age or over, just come. If you are under 80, please bring a dessert to share. If you have questions contact Joy Jarrett 306-750-1806.

Financial Update for November: Income \$10,300.
Monthly budget \$13,300.

Christmas Reflections from Our Daily Bread are available on the shelf in the foyer to **Read and Return** (with *purpose*).

Confession

John the Baptist did not fit the religious structures of any time. He wore funny clothes, he ate distasteful food, and he preached costly peace. His solo voice carried your beautiful song. Forgive us when our voices create disharmony with your people and your creation.

(silence)

Restore our voices to join in your holy song.
Thanks and glory be to God!