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Sunday In-person Worship at 11 AM today

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Pianist – Marion D.

Worship Leader – Elaine D. Song Leader – Ken D.

Sunday After Christmas

Restoration is Near

We live in the in-between: Christ has brought restoration, and the world still cries out to be restored. These two truths do not cancel each other out but coexist.

Prelude

Gathering Song HWB #121 Holy God, we praise thy name

Focus Statement

Theme Song SS #4 Rejoice, rejoice, the Savior comes

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: In crimson clothing you came,

bringing the day of vengeance, the year of redemption.

People: God has not forgotten you, O Jerusalem.

Leader: O Lord, your compassion and kindness are for us,

even in our distress.

People: Even in suffering we remember your love.

Leader: You have become fully human; you call us brothers and sisters.

You, Lord, will gather your people again

for the day of redemption.

All: Let our repentance give you glory.

Let our praises give you joy, until you come again.

Prayer

Praise Songs HWB #159 All beautiful the march of days

HWB #328 O God, our help in ages past

Communion

Song HWB #459 *I come with joy to meet my Lord*

Offering Blessing

Opportunities and Sharing

Praver

Song HWB #552 By gracious powers

Scripture Matthew 2:13-23 Shirley E. Message *He comes to us in all our distress* Lois Bukar

Response Song HWB #385 What gift can we bring

Benediction

Even for this has Christ come. May you go out into this suffering world with the comfort that Christ is present with us.

Sending Song HWB #639 *Great God, we sing* **Postlude**

Thursday 3 pm Women in Mission meeting

Next Sunday 10 am Epiphany Sunday

Radio Sunday

Potluck lunch

Executive meeting

Care Homes: Golden West and Heritage

Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones
- those recovering, those still struggling, and those facing new challenges
- health issues in COVID recovery
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current: Faith Evangelical Missionary Church
- Mennonite Church Sask: Langham Mennonite Fellowship, pastor Emily Summach
- Ukraine / Russia
- Peace On Earth

As decided at the last Executive meeting, we will **resume live streaming** of our worship services starting in 2023. We will ask those wishing to receive the streaming service to request it by calling the Church office.

January 10 Tying quilts for MCC begins