



**Zion
Mennonite
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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sunday In-person Worship at 10:30 AM

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Pianist – Grace F.

**Worship Leader – Elaine D.
Song Leader – Elaine D.**

Advent 4

How will we know . . . why me? Why not me?

Prelude

Gathering Song VT #265 *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

Welcome

Call to Worship

God send the angel Gabriel to a young woman in Nazareth named Mary. He said to her, “Greetings, favoured one! God is with you.”

**But Mary was perplexed by Gabriel’s words,
and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.**

The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, for you have found favour with God.”

**Like Mary, we’re also ordinary. Will God really work
through us? (pause)**

Together we ponder.

Prayer

Songs of Praise HWB #211 *Lo, how a Rose e’er blooming*
HWB #206 *Infant holy, infant lowly*

Blessing & Receiving of Offering

Choir

Announcements, Opportunities, Sharing

Prayer

Drama

Song HWB #180 *The angel Gabriel*

Scriptures 2 Samuel 7:1-11,16; Psalm 89:1-4,19-26

Luke 1:26-38

Linda T.

Sermon *Who am I to be Called?*

Zach Stefaniuk

Theme Song VT #213 *Poor of the Earth*

Advent Candle Lighting

Together we ponder.

We’re so ordinary. Will God really work through us?

Do not be afraid! Nothing is impossible with God.

Go, for the mighty one has done extraordinary things,
and holy is God’s name!

Sending Song HWB #517 *Open my eyes, that I may see*
Postlude

Today 7 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current Ministerial: St. Olaf Lutheran Church
- Mennonite Church Sask: Warman Mennonite Church, pastor Len Rempel
- Ukraine / Russia
- a just peace in Israel and Palestine

Eve Wickstrom passed away on December 11 at home in Minnesota. She is the daughter of Cora Warkentin Wickstrom, granddaughter of Sigrid. A memorial service will be held at **Zion on January 6** at 2 pm.

Pastor Zach will be gone this week, taking holidays.
The Church Office will be open Thursday and Friday mornings.

Zion Coming Events

January 4 Women in Mission meeting

January 7 Epiphany Sunday

Potluck lunch

January 9 tied quilting begins