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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sunday In-person Worship at 10:30 AM

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Pianist – Marion D.

Worship Leader – Carla P. Song Leader – Ken D.

#### Advent 4

Prelude

Gathering Song HWB #318 Joy to the world

Welcome

Call to Worship

Oh God, our God, I cry out to you.

Asking, will I be saved to your goodness, forgiven of the brokenness I have made, certain that I am called to you?

Will I follow the child you sent to lead me? Will I no longer be afraid, but be restored?

God, what am I waiting for?

**Prayer** 

**Theme Song** SS #15 *Hope is a Candle* 

Candle Lighting from Psalm 80

Stir up your might, and come and save us!

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;

let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Let your hand be upon us and make us strong.

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;

let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Give us life, and we will call on your name.

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;

let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Songs of the Season HWB #199 The first Noel HWB #176 Comfort, comfort

**Blessing of the Offering** 

**Announcements, Opportunities, Sharing** 

Prayer (HWB #731)

Song VT #264 Still, Still, Still

Scripture Readings Psalm 80:1-7,17-19

**Matthew 1:18-25** 

Peggy K.

Sermon Worth the Wait

Zach Stefaniuk

**Response Song** SS #11 No wind at the window

**Benediction** 

**Sending Song** SJ #31 He came down

Postlude

Saturday 5 pm Zion Christmas banquet

Dec.20 The Special Project is Camp Elim.

Wednesday 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 and those struggling with transition of some kind
- those with sudden health issues
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current Ministerial: Restoration House
- Mennonite Church Sask: Mennonite Church Saskatchewan wishes you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year! May God's peace, love, joy, and hope fill your heart as you celebrate the gift of Christ this blessed season.
- Ukraine / Russia
- a just peace in the Middle East
- MCC at work around the world in the name of Christ

# **Advent Giving Tree**

No need to stop giving but <u>December 21 will be the last Sunday</u> to drop off **food or coins for Mental Health** so that the food can be brought to them before Christmas. **Thankyou** for your generous giving.

Turkey and ham dinner at 1:30 pm at the church on **Christmas Day**. Sign up sheet in the foyer.

**Condolences** to Hank, Sadie and Mary on the passing of brother-in-law Clarence Friesen on December 16.

# Office holiday hours

Zach December 23,24 January 2 Grace December 23,24,30 January 2

### **Advent/Christmas Events**

November 30 First Sunday of Advent, soup special lunch

December 4, 11, 18 **Advent noon services** at Christ the Redeemer church

December 4 -- 3 pm **Zion Women in Mission** Christmas gathering (and project)

December 7 -- 3 pm SC Oratorio Choir concert at Zion

December 18 -- 7 pm **Melodies of Christmas** at First United Church

December 20 -- 5 pm Zion Christmas banquet
Special project is Camp Elim
Tickets \$22 to Margaret Dyck

December 24 -- 7 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight service