

Forest Hills Mennonite Church
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
 December 24, 2021 ~ 7 p.m.

Gathering

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Invocation

Jon Carlson

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Song: *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

Worship Book No. 212

Lessons and Carols

Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Herb Hoover

Song: *O Come O Come Emmanuel*

Worship Book No. 172

Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Don Beidler

Song: *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Worship Book No. 191

Reading: Luke 1:26-35, 38

Nina Harnish

Offering: Mennonite Central Committee

Sung Offertory: *What Child Is This*

Worship Book No. 215

Reading: Luke 2:1, 3-7

Jon Carlson

Song: *Away in A Manger*

Worship Book No. 194

Reading: Luke 2:8-16

The Rodak Family

Song: *hark! The herald angels sing*

Worship Book No. 201

Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

Collette and Micah Carlson

Song: *The First Noel*

Worship Book No. 199

Children's Story

Jon Carlson

Reading: John 1:1-5; 14

Christian Shannon

Sending

Song: *Silent Night, Holy Night*

Benediction

Postlude

Candle Lighting – Please Stand

Instructions: The light will be given to the person at the end of each pew. To avoid wax burns or drips, pass the light by tipping the **unlit** candle to catch the flame of the lit candle. Young children are invited to use the lights they receive during the children's story. Please raise your candle and hold it high as we sing the 3rd verse of *Silent Night*.



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Christmas Eve Giving Project

Haiti Earthquake Response



Our offering this evening will go to Mennonite Central Committee's Haiti relief work. MCC is working in Haiti to help families who have been impacted by the 7.2 magnitude earthquake that hit the area in August. Thousands of people were injured, and many homes were destroyed. Many are sleeping outside, with little food

and no protection from the elements. **Contributions made by check should be made payable to Forest Hills Mennonite Church.**

Your contributions offer tribute to the Prince of Peace.

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Greeters
 Head Usher
 Coffee Fellowship Hosts

Kathy Unangst, Marty Peifer
 Ron Weaver
 Norma & Bruce Stauffer

Thanks to Becky Degan for planning this service, and thanks to all the musicians and scripture readers who have participated this evening. Everyone is invited to the fellowship hall for light refreshments following the service.