

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE...

Please share your contact info with us on this "tear off" page and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher as you leave today. Thank you!

- Please update my information
- Visitor
- Guest of _____
- New to the community
- Looking for a church home
- Have a church home
- Desire to learn more about Swamp Mennonite Church

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____
 Birthday _____
 Anniversary _____

SHARE YOUR PRAISE/PRAYER NEEDS:

- LAST WEEK'S FIGURES -

Offering	\$7,519.04
2022 Weekly Budget	\$6,385.54
YTD Surplus/Deficit	\$993.82
MEP Offering	\$1,385.16
2022-23 MEP Weekly Budget ..	\$1,778.91
Endowment Applied	\$15,000.00
YTD Surplus/Deficit	\$2,517.82

Attendance

Sunday School	65
In-person Worship Service	125



Current Sermon Series

"Restoration is Near"

TODAY'S WORSHIP

As We Gather

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Rachel Whary

Children's Christmas Program

Advent Candlelighting

Miles Longacre

Worship in Song

P210, SB45, P241

Children's Time

Arlene Yothers

Special Music

Luella Gehman

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Reading

Matthew 1:18-25

Message

"Do Not Be Afraid"

Pastor Nathan Good

Response in Song

P258, P252

Kathy Werner

As We Go

P841

Pastor Tracy Commons

Growing Together in Christ

SWAMP
MENNONITE CHURCH

4th Sunday of Advent
December 18, 2022

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At Swamp Mennonite Church we celebrate God's grace, encourage growth in Christ, and boldly proclaim the victory of Christ's love over sin and death; through the power of God's Holy Spirit.

Welcome to our Guests!

Your children are welcome to our service. Children's Bulletins & Activity Packs are available from any usher! We also offer a nursery program during Sunday School and our Worship Service for 0-3 years.

This morning's Nursery hosts:
Barry and Sharon Gehman
Marcus and Debra Rush

Next week's Nursery hosts:
Tyler and Rachel Whary
David and Arlene Yothers

The words to the songs are projected on the screen. If you prefer to read music, the songbook number is in the corner of each screen: B=Blue, P=Purple, SB=Black.

THIS WEEK AT SWAMP

Tuesday, December 20

Growth Matters articles due

9:00 am Care & Share Volunteer Day

Wednesday, December 21

Winter Begins

6:00 pm Fellowship Meal

6:30 pm Christmas Caroling

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve

6:30 pm Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day

My Coins Count Offering

9:00 am Fellowship & Coffee

10:15 am Worship Service

CELEBRATING OUR LIVES TOGETHER

Articles for the next issue of ***Growth Matters*** are due in the office by this **Tuesday, December 20.**

Please review your current information for the 2023 Church Directory. The books are on a table in the foyer. The deadline to complete the process is this Wednesday, December 21!

An evening of ***Christmas Caroling*** is this **Wednesday, December 21.** Meet here at 6:00 pm for pizza before we head out to spread some yuletide cheer!

Everence is teaming up with the **MCC Material Resource Center** to create **hygiene kits** for refugees. Everence will match your gift of bath soap (large, wrapped bars), hand towels (medium weight, 16 X 26"), or cash gift of \$10 or more. Donate at 17 Penn Avenue, Souderton **before December 31.** More info at everence.com/Souderton

With Christmas and New Year's on a Sunday this year, we will not have Sunday School. Please join us at 9:00 am for a time of fellowship and coffee before our morning service.

The ***Youth Group Christmas Party*** will be on the **28th from 6:30-8:30pm** here at Swamp! We'll eat dinner together, do a gift exchange, and play games. Sign up on the youth bulletin board or contact a youth sponsor for more details.

Men's Retreat at Spruce Lake will be **Thursday and Friday, January 12 & 13.** Depart from church at 4:30 pm on Thursday and return by 6:00 pm on Friday. More information and a sign-up sheet are on the bulletin board by the nursery. See Barry Gehman or Bill Longacre with questions.

12/18/2022

PRAISES THIS WEEK

Cassidy Gehman's labs looked normal and her scans were stable.

Happy Birthday

Ken Longacre, Jr.

Iris Cooper

Frank Schuler III

Tracy Commons

Larry Geissing

Brent Gehman

Zechariah Libor

Happy Anniversary

None this week

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Carl Raub, our church secretary, as he recovers from the flu.

The healing and ongoing health care needs of...

Helen Asbury

Dan Cooper

Jamie Haas

Russ Haas

Paul Mindler

Marcus Rush

...and those that are unable to worship with us.

*The mission work of **Ripple Church** in Allentown.*