

**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:**

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**- LAST WEEK'S FIGURES -**

Offering .....	\$4,152.90
2023 Weekly Budget .....	\$6,640.29
YTD Surplus/Deficit .....	<b>\$16,903.67</b>
MEP Offering .....	\$693.78
2023-24 MEP Weekly Budget ..	\$1,386.62
Endowment Applied .....	\$20,000.00
YTD Surplus/Deficit .....	\$4,729.18

Attendance

Sunday School .....	74
Worship Service .....	90

**Current Sermon Series**  
"How Will We Know..."

**TODAY'S WORSHIP**

**As We Gather – Responsive Reading**

Psalm 85

Katie Longacre

**Children's Christmas Program**

**Congregational Prayer**

**Candlelighting**

Luke 2:13-14

Noah & Brent Gehman

**Worship in Song**

P401

**Children's Time**

Shannon Longacre

**Message**

"What Now?"

Pastor Nathan Good

**Response in Song**

P215

Isaac Longacre

**As We Go**

P841

Pastor Tracy Commons



*Growing Together in Christ*



**SWAMP**  
MENNONITE CHURCH

*2nd Sunday of Advent*  
**December 10, 2023**

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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.*



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## ***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:

**David and Jodie Foley**  
**Debra Rush**  
**Allison Walker**

Next week's Nursery hosts:

**Barry and Sharon Gehman**  
**Marcus and Debra Rush**

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**

**Wednesday, December 13**

6:30 pm Youth Group

**Sunday, December 17**

*3rd Sunday of Advent*

8:30 am Fellowship & Coffee

9:00 am Sunday School & MAMA Project Update

10:15 am Worship Service



## **CELEBRATING OUR LIVES TOGETHER**

The review process for the **2024 Church Directory** is now underway. Binders are in the foyer to review. Please check your info and make any changes needed. The deadline is next **Sunday, December 17.**

Priscilla Benner from the **MAMA Project** will be coming to give an **update** on the ministry during the Sunday School hour next week on **December 17.** All are invited to attend!

**Articles** for the next issue of *Growth Matters* are due in the office by **Tuesday, December 19.**

Each year we offer a **Membership Exploration Class** for anyone looking to grow in their faith or considering what baptism and membership might mean. The class will run **February 4 - April 21** with an expected Baptism and Covenant Sunday on May 19. If interested, please speak with Pastor Nathan or Pastor Tracy.

Please join us for a **Fellowship Meal** and **Christmas Caroling** on **Wednesday, December 20.** We will eat at 6:00 pm then depart to spread some Yuletide musical cheer at 6:30 pm.

The **Youth Christmas Party** will be held on **Wednesday, December 27.** Please contact a youth sponsor for more information.

Spruce Lake **Men's Retreat** is **January 11-12.** We will depart from church at 4:30 pm on Thursday and return by 6:00 pm Friday. Info and a sign-up sheet are on the bulletin board. Please see Barry Gehman or Bill Longacre with any questions.

12/10/2023

**Thank you to those musicians who have prepared preservice music during Advent. Please respect the silence in the sanctuary before the service as some people use this as a time to reflect and pray.**

## **PRAISES THIS WEEK**

**Happy Birthday**

**James Landis**  
**Krista Geissinger**  
**Sara Geissinger**  
**Bill Longacre**  
**Jeanette Daley**  
**Luke Gehman**

**Happy Anniversary**

**Ryan & Hannah Stevenson**

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

*...Cassidy Gehman as she will go in for scheduled follow-up scans on December 12th and 13th...*

*...Jeanette Daley as she recovers from a fall...*

*...the healing and ongoing health care needs of*

**Helen Asbury - Libby Geissinger**  
**Jamie Haas - Marcus Rush**  
*and those that are unable to worship with us...*

*...the mission work of **Ripple Church & Community, Inc.** in Allentown.*