

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship

TODAY / THIS WEEK

Today Noon: Shared Meal
Tues. 7:00 p.m.: Evening Prayers
Thurs. 9:30 a.m.: Sewing Circle
Fri. Evening: Youth Christmas Party (at Fred & Kim’s Home)

Gathering

Prelude - *Martha Laub*
Welcome and Announcements - *Meg Emery*
“How Long?” - *Alice Hostetter, Marie Showalter*
Call to Worship (*back of bulletin*)

Praising

Congregational Singing - *Wendy Hochstedler*
Prayer for El Salvador Churches - *Alan Shenk*
Offering (*includes coin offerings for missions*)

Listening

Children’s Time - *Martha Laub*
“The Poor of the Earth” - *Tammy Driver*
Scripture Reading: Psalm 80:1-7; Isaiah 63:15 - 64:12
Message: “Pleading & Waiting in Troubled Times” - *Kevin Goertzen*

Responding and Sending

Interactive Response
Congregational Sharing and Prayer
Sending Song
Benediction

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Nursery Volunteers: Carleen Layman, Orpha Beyeler

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You are invited to stay for the **shared meal** after worship today (downstairs in the fellowship hall).

We will be collecting **Infant Care Kits** again this year for MCC! Flannel receiving blankets, content lists, & a few socks / safety pins are available in the foyer. Please bring kits to Springdale by Sun., Dec. 24. Springdale **calendars for December** are available in the literature rack.

NEXT WEEK / COMING EVENTS

Dec. 10: Christmas Social (1:30 p.m.)
Dec. 13: Congregational Council Meeting (7 p.m.)
Dec. 20: Christmas Caroling (6:15 p.m.)
Feb. 26-Mar. 4, 2024: Serve as Host for WARM Participants

JMYFers are invited to a **youth Christmas party** this Fri., Dec. 8, at Fred & Kim Powell’s home (time & further details to be announced).

Everyone is invited to a **Christmas Social** next Sun., Dec. 10, at 1:30 p.m. (either bring your lunch or grab a quick bite at home). The time together will include fellowship, snacks, and making greenery arrangements. Please bring a small plate of cookies to share.

Please pray for Joyce Louise “Gran” Bromwell (who recently had a bad fall, broke her arm & some teeth; and will soon be released home from the hospital with hospice care); Ashley Showalter (returning from her year “at sea”); and Raven Showalter (graduating on Saturday from Radford with a double major in art & psychology - congratulations!).

Thanks to everyone who **donated Christmas Shoeboxes** (45 total: 12 online plus 33 in person)!

If you would like to serve as a **church greeter, nursery worker, or usher** (collecting offering & managing the roving microphone) and are not already doing so, please contact Nancy Stoll. ☺

Upcoming **Christmas events** (see the bulletin board for add’l info.):

- Waynesboro Choral Society concert, today, 7 p.m., Waynesboro.
- Shenandoah Valley Children’s Choir concert, Dec. 9 & 10, EMU.
- Dramatized tour, “Watchman, Tell Us of the Night,” Dec. 9, 10, 16 & 17, 5-8 p.m., Brethren & Mennonite Heritage Center, H’burg.
- Schola Cantorum concert, Dec. 10, 3 p.m., First Baptist, W’boro.
- Walking Roots Band concert, Dec. 10, 6:30 p.m., EMHS Theater.