

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

## Gathering

Prelude - *Ranita Shenk*

Welcome and Announcements - *Kim Powell*

“What Now?” - *Kevin Goertzen, James Wenger*

Call to Worship (*back of bulletin*)

## Praising

Congregational Singing - *Alan & Sharon Shenk*

Offering (*includes coin offerings for missions*)

## Listening

Children’s Time - *Carleen Layman*

Scripture Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-18

Message: “In the Meantime . . .” - *Kevin Goertzen*

## Responding and Sending

Interactive Response

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song

Benediction

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Nursery Volunteers: *Meg Emery, Maggie Brenneman*
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**Please pray** for Joyce Louise “Gran” Bromwell’s family (Gran passed away on Dec. 4; her graveside service was held yesterday at Springdale).

Please bring completed **Infant Care Kits** (for MCC) to Springdale by Sunday morning, Dec. 24.

Due to a plumbing leak, the church **water will be turned off** in the new part of the church (kitchen and all upstairs bathrooms) except on Sunday mornings until further notice. The small kitchen and bathrooms in the old basement are available for use as needed during the week.

## TODAY / THIS WEEK

**Today 1:30 p.m.:** Christmas Social

**Wed. 7:00 p.m.:** Congregational Council Meeting

**Thurs. 7:15 a.m.:** Morning Prayers

## NEXT WEEK / COMING EVENTS

**Dec. 20:** Christmas Caroling (6:15 p.m.)

**Dec. 24:** Gifts for Jesus Service (10:30 a.m.);

Christmas Eve Service (7 p.m.)

**Feb. 26-Mar. 4, 2024:** Serve as Host for WARM Participants

Everyone is invited to a **Christmas Social** this afternoon at 1:30. This time together will include fellowship, snacks, and making greenery arrangements.

Thanks to everyone who worked on the **beautiful Advent visuals** -- Ann Frank, Wendy Hochstedler, Russ & Martha Laub, and Carleen Layman!

**Springdale Financial Update** (*please keep in mind as you prayerfully consider your end-of-year giving*):

- Income through December 3: \$125,800
- Estimated expenses through 12/31/23: 151,200
- Amount needed to balance by 12/31/23: 25,400

Our **Gifts for Jesus service** will be held on Sun. morning, Dec. 24. Check your email for add’l info., and talk to Ann Frank with questions.

Since there are five “fifth Sundays” in 2023 (instead of the normal four), **mission offerings & budget offerings will both be collected** on Dec. 24 & 31. Please use a designated envelope if you want your gift to go towards missions. All other donations will go towards the Springdale budget. Our 2023 fifth Sunday offerings to date total: VMM / VMC - \$5,920; local missions - \$2,215; Mennonite Church ministries - \$3,909; MC USA - \$1,234; EMU / EMS - \$678; Green Family / W’boro Hispanic Ministries - \$2,062.

If you’re looking for **outside work** to do, there are plenty of acorns to be raked under the three Springdale trees closest to Hall School Road! ☺

Check the bulletin board for community **Christmas concerts & events!**