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

# Gathering

Prelude - *Ranita Shenk*Welcome and Announcements - *Carleen Layman*Call to Worship (back of bulletin)
Congregational Song - *Alan and Sharon Shenk*Candle Lighting

## Praising

Congregational Singing Prayer for El Salvador Churches - Nelson Driver Offering (includes coin offerings for missions)

## Listening

Time for the Young and Young at Heart - *Martha Laub* Scripture: Daniel 6:6-27; Luke 23:1-5 Message - *Paul Versluis*, *III* 

"Between a Rock and a Hard Place: How Do We Continue On?"

# Sharing

Song of Response Congregational Sharing and Prayer

# Sending

**Welcome** to our guest speaker, Paul Versluis, who will be bringing us the message this morning!

**Ladies** are invited to a **gathering** at Ann Frank's home this Thurs., Dec. 5, at 7 p.m. Dessert will be provided!

### THIS WEEK

Tues. 7:00 p.m.: Evening PrayersThurs. 9:30 a.m.: Freedom Group9:30 a.m.: Sewing Circle

11:00 a.m.: Interim Pastoral Team Meeting

7:00 p.m.: Women's Gathering (Ann Frank's Home)
Sat. 1:00 p.m.: Making Evergreen Baskets (all are invited)

### COMING EVENTS

**Dec. 15:** Christmas Breakfast (9:15 a.m.); No Sunday School **Dec. 15:** Making Gingerbread Houses (2 p.m., children & youth)

**Dec. 18:** Christmas Caroling (6:15 p.m.) **Dec. 24:** Christmas Eve Service (7 p.m.)

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#### **Springdale Christmas events:**

- \* Making evergreen baskets, this Sat., Dec. 7, 1-4 p.m., all are invited. Needed: baskets, greenery, pine cones, miniature animals, & basket decorations; snacks to share are optional.
- \* Christmas breakfast, Sun., Dec. 15, 9:15 a.m. Sign up in the foyer to attend & if you can help provide food.
- \* Making gingerbread houses, Sun., Dec. 15, 2-4 p.m., children & youth. Bring a bag or two of candy or other house décor per child/youth, and please sign up in the foyer if you plan to participate.
- \* Christmas caroling, Wed., Dec. 18, starting at 6:15 p.m. (followed by donuts & hot chocolate).
- \* <u>Christmas Eve Service</u>, Tues., Dec. 24, 7 p.m., infant care kits collected (content lists/some content items available in the foyer).

#### Check the **bulletin board** for information on the following:

- \* Shekinah/Cantore <u>coffeehouse concerts</u>, Dec. 6 & 7, Park View M.C., donations to benefit NewBridges Immigrant Resource Center.
- \* Walking Roots Band concert to benefit MCC, Dec. 13, 6:30 p.m., Lindale M.C., donation basis (\$10,000 matching donation available).
- \* Advent Retreat, Corhaven Retreat Center, Dec. 13-14.
- \* Brethren & Mennonite Heritage Center's <u>annual Christmas event</u>, including a dramatized tour (Dec. 14, 15, 21 & 22).
- \* Schola Cantorum's <u>Christmas concert</u>, Dec. 15, 3 p.m., First Baptist Church, W'boro. *Nelson Driver is a member of this group*.