

TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Fellowship is welcome (no refreshments served); please remain masked.

Education opportunities for all ages will be held from 11:15-Noon. Snacks for children PreK-Grade School are available downstairs before Sunday school. Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided in the nursery.

ADULT CLASSES:

How the Bible Actually Works: Sanctuary
Everything Happens for A Reason: Library
Coffee & Conversation: Room 5 (downstairs)
Young Adult/High school class: Room 13 (downstairs)

CHILDREN & YOUTH CLASSES (downstairs)

Pre-K – Grade 2: Room 10/11
Grades 3 – 5: Room 3



WELCOME TO FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH
of Champaign-Urbana

Following Christ. Nurturing Community. Seeking Peace with Justice.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELPED TODAY:

Visuals: Perry Biddle & Bev Birkey Potts
Greeters: Perry Biddle & Rosalee Otto
Worship Leader & Children's Story: Cindy Breeze
Candle Lighters: Croisant Family
Song Leader: Bev Birkey Potts
Piano: Cheryl Koranda
Advent Music: Danielle Beard & Mary Krick
Scripture Reader: Bob King
Sermon & Sharing: Pastor Deb
Zoom: Rudy Moyer-Litwiller; Audio: Emerson Nafziger
Worship Nursery: Taniya B. & Chuck Gibson
Sunday school Nursery: Taniya B. & Rachel HL
Stewards: Laurence Koehn & Lynne Sancken

NEXT SUNDAY (DEC. 5) AT FMC:

Advent 2: Restoration - Prepare the Way of Peace
Scripture: Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-13;
Matthew 3:1-12
Visuals: Perry Biddle & Bev Birkey Potts
Greeters: Karen McKenzie & Sam Cox
Worship Leader/Scripture Reader: Cindy Breeze
Candle Lighters: Shungu Family
Song Leader: Rudy Moyer-Litwiller
Piano: Bev Birkey Potts
Advent Music: Danielle Beard & Mary Krick
Children's Story: Cindy Breeze
Scripture Reader: Amber Anderson
Sermon & Sharing: Pastor Michael
Zoom: Phil Martens; Audio: Randy Nelson
Worship Nursery: Taniya B. & Karla Woodson
Sunday school Nursery: Taniya B. & Courtney Malcolm
Stewards: Clark Breeze & Rebecca Bare

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Artwork by Nat Schneider

Celebration of Worship

November 27, 2022

Advent 1



Restoration: Watch for Hope

Centering chimes

Introit

“Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord”

Prelude

Welcome & prayer

***Call to worship**

Leader: Hear us, O God of Grace; you who sit on the mercy seat between the cherubim,
we stand in your presence, seeking your face.

People: Shine forth, O Lord, in the sight of your people, that we may see you clearly.

Stir up your strength in us; come, rescue us.

Leader: The time is near, we are watching; restore us again, O God.

**People: Cause your face to shine and we shall be saved,
made whole by your gracious love and kindness.**

ALL: We are watching and waiting for you, O Lord.

***Hymn #210**

“O Come, O Come, Immanuel” (verses 1 & 6)

Lighting Advent candles

Leader: Watch! You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.

People: The night is far gone, the day is near.

Leader: As we watch, we light this candle as a sign of our hope.

People: Bring your restoration to your people, we pray.

Candle lighting hymn #391

“Come Now, O Prince of Peace”

Children’s story and offering for Kino Border Initiative (KBI)

Congregation sings as children come forward (Voices Together #512)

Advent music

Scripture

Matthew 24:36-44 and Isaiah 2:1-5

Sermon

***Response Hymn #787** “O Day of Peace”

Meditation music

Offering prayer (*offerings can be placed in the offering plates as the greeters come by*)

Congregational sharing and prayer

(*use a mic or text/email prayers to Pastor Michael*)

Introduction of visitors

Work of the church

Chrismon offering: Angel Fund

***Sending Hymn #248** “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”

***Benediction**

**Stand in body or in spirit. Children are invited to wave the worship ribbons during the hymns.*

Question for Reflection:

What does faithfulness look like for you and for our FMC community as we anticipate and participate in the coming of God’s kingdom into fullness?

We welcome, without exclusion, all who seek God’s love and grace . . .

You are welcome here, inclusive of gender, race, country of origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, sexual identity, socioeconomic status, family status, past imprisonment, education, citizenship status and physical or mental abilities. We encourage you to share in the rituals, fellowship and ministry of this congregation.

Hearing devices (T-coil and over-ear) and large print hymnals are available from the greeters.

Childcare (birth – preschool) is provided in the nursery downstairs.