

# Shalom Mennonite Church

December 27, 2015

## *Sunday after Christmas: The Path of Service*

*Hearing devices are available from an usher or the sound booth.*

### Gathering in God's Presence

**Welcome**

Hope Graber

**Hymn STJ 109**

*There is more love somewhere*

**Call to Worship** (from Psalm 148)

Leader: Praise the Lord,

Sing praise all the heights!

**People:** **Praise God, sun and moon.**

Sing praise, all you shining stars!

Leader: Praise God, all the earth.

Sing praise, all fruit trees and hills!

**People:** **Praise God, all you animals.**

Sing praise creeping things and flying birds!

*Young men and women alike,*

*Old and young together,*

*Let all that has life and breath praise God!*

**Prayer**

### Praising

**Hymn HWB 318**

*Joy to the world*

### Proclaiming the Word

**Children's Time**

Chuck Regier & Alfie Montano

*Nursery care for young children is available through the end of the service.*

**Hymn**

**Scripture Reading**

Colossians 3:12-17, Luke 2:41-52

### **Quiet Reflection**

*The periods of silence will begin and end with the ringing of a chime.*

**Sermon**

“Service”

Rachel Ringenberg Miller

### **Quiet Reflection**

### Responding to the Word

**Hymn HWB 190**

*'Twas in the moon of wintertime*

### **Offertory and Prayer**

### **Sharing Time and Introductions**

*During this time in the service we welcome visitors, invite responses to the worship service, hear about the work of our Ministry Teams, and share prayer concerns and joys. Please sign the Welcome Pages (black books) in the pews so we can learn each other's names.*

### **Prayers of the People**

### **Announcements**

**Hymn HWB 210**

*Good Christian friends, rejoice*

### **Benediction**

## **Welcoming Statement for Shalom Mennonite Church**

We embrace all people in the name of Christ. Everyone is a unique creation in the image of God. We are an open and affirming congregation that seeks to follow Jesus. We welcome into full participation in the life and ministry of the church, people of every race, immigration status, culture, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, education, economic status, and life situation. We welcome diverse perspectives as we gather around God's table together.

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9:30 am – Sunday School

10:45 am – Worship

## **Upcoming Services**

**January 3 – Epiphany: The Path of Inclusion;** **Sara Dick** will be preaching on the text of Matthew 2:1-12.

**January 10 – Membership Sunday:** **Rachel Ringenberg Miller** will be starting a new series on stories from the ministry of Jesus beginning with Jesus calling his disciples from Mark 1:16-20.

**January 17** – We will continue our series on the ministry of Jesus with **Rachel Ringenberg Miller** preaching on Mark 1:21-45; Psalm 103:1-5.

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Greeters: Kelvin Bartel, Dick & Mary Rempel,

Nursery Workers: Elisabeth Graber, Aubrey Bartel

Musicians: Tom Szambecki, Mark Schmidt Andres

Spanish Scripture Reader: Daagya Dick

Visual Arts: Twila Schrock

Sound & Closing: Jeffrey Graber

Church Board Chair: Barth Hague

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## **Church Staff**

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*Following Jesus, we risk love.*

# **The Path of Service**

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