

## Summit Mennonite Church

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Marilyn Rossiter, Pastor

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Sunday School: 9:30 am

Worship: 10:30 am

*Welcome to all visitors! May you feel at ease with us and sense the presence of God.*

***Childcare** during worship is available for infants and toddlers (ages three and under) in the nursery through the back doors of the sanctuary*

**We follow Christ, offering healing and hope as we serve our neighbors in need**

### THE PATH OF LOVE

December 20, 2015

#### GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Christmas Overture and Processional

Singing: HWB 212 O come, all ye faithful Marilyn Rossiter

Congregation (vss 1 & 4)

Lighting the Advent Candle and Peace Lamp

Welcome and Announcements William Troyer

Call to Worship

Leader: Our souls magnify you, our God. Our spirits rejoice in you, our Savior.

**People: You have looked with favor on your lowly servants; because of you we are called “blessed”.**

Leader: You have scattered the proud and brought down the mighty.

**People: You have raised up the lowly and filled the hungry.**

Leader: You have remembered your mercy, helping those in need and their descendants forever.

**ALL: Praise, Praise God’s Holy Name.**

Opening Prayer

#### SHARING OF JOYS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

#### OFFERING

#### DOXOLOGY

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### LET THERE BE CHRISTMAS

**A Cantata by Joseph M. Martin**

Singing: Insert O little town of Bethlehem (vss 1 & 4)

HWB 318 Joy to the world (vss 1 & 2)

HWB 206 Infant holy, infant lowly (vs 1)

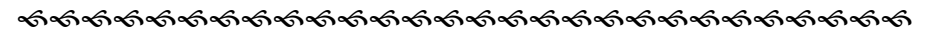
HWB 193 Silent night, holy night (vs 1)

HWB 199 The first Noel, the angel did say (vs 1)

HWB 201 Hark! The herald angels sing (vs 1)

#### SENDING

#### BLESSING



#### THIS MORNING

Worship Leader: William Troyer

Gathering Music: Susan Moyer

Song Leader: Marilyn Rossiter

Narrator: Avery Zook

Greeters: Julia & Bob Beyeler

Nursery: Wanda & Lee Resler

Worship Planners: Susan Moyer & Jason Moyer

#### LAST WEEK

Attendance:482 General Offering: \$1,315 Bridge of Hope: \$452

#### THIS WEEK

Thursday, Dec 24, 7pm: Christmas Eve service at First Mennonite,

#### COMING EVENTS

Sun, Jan 31: Potluck lunch followed by Trades of Hope party

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Marilyn will be in the office on Tuesday.

Please bring mittens, hats, and gloves to “decorate” our corner mitten tree in the far end of the sanctuary. The decorations will be given to Barberton Area Community Ministries for distribution to those in need.

Please sign up for snacks on the sheet in the kitchen if you can bring something to go with coffee on a Sunday Morning. Write your name beside the date that suits you.

If you plan to sing with the choir for the joint Christmas Eve Service with First Mennonite of Wadsworth, please save these dates for joint rehearsals at First from 7-8pm.: TUESDAYS, Dec. 8, 15, and 22.

Please remember to take you poinsettia home after church with you today. Please pay Susan Moyer \$20. Thank you.

**Give the Gift of Time:** Are you looking for a way to give of your time to help others and enrich your life? MCC Connections has several volunteer openings in the Rug Dept and Quilt Room. These positions are for volunteering in the store, or taking projects home to work on. Positions available for in store volunteering 4 or 8 hrs a week. Must be teachable, detail oriented and work with precision. Please call the store at **330-857-7802** for more information on how you can make a difference in the world!

BACM will once again be collecting Bags of Love to distribute to our clients in the spring! Please help us be making Bags of Love for our clients to receive when they visit our pantry. Fill a decorated brown grocery bag with the following items:

- One package of toilet paper (4 rolls)
- Laundry detergent
- Dish soap
- Hand soap
- Deodorant
- Soap/body wash
- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- All-purpose cleaner

Place filled bags by our Giving Tree before the end of February.