

But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
Though you are small among the clans of Judah,
Out of you will come for me
One who will be ruler over Israel.

He will stand and shepherd his flock
In the strength of the Lord,
In the majesty of the name
of the Lord his God.

And they will live securely,
For then his greatness
Will reach to the ends of the earth.
And he will be their peace.

Micah 5:2,4,5



**GOD
DELIVERS!**

BOWMANVILLE MENNONITE CHURCH
December 20, 2009

*We are a fellowship of Mennonite Christians committed to continuing the work that
Jesus Christ began through worship, nurture and mission.*

9:30 AM Gathering

Offering – Community Outreach

Call to Worship

Advent Candle Lighting – Luke 1:39-56

**Message – Duane Ringler
*God Delivers!***

Litany of Response

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Merry  *Christmas*



PRAYER MINISTRY

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Larry Weber – Pastor – 445-4449 (church); 445-5229 (home)
 Duane Ringler-Associate Pastor – 859-1625
 Ken Becker – Youth Pastor – (610) 777-8905
 Wilmer Nolt – Financial Deacon – 445-5404
 Larry Horning – Administrative Deacon – 445-7139

MISSIONS

Amos & Rowena Stoltzfus

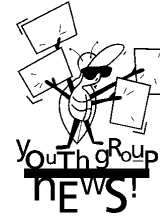


Dec. 23 – Joel Martin
 25 – Cody Ringler
 26 – Shane Martin
 Grace Zimmerman
 27 – Carissa High
 28 – Ruth Ann Weaver
 29 – Wanda Shirk
 Becky Zimmerman

Wedding Anniversaries

Wilmer & Anna Burkhart will celebrate their 59th wedding anniversary on December 24.
Irvin & Grace Horning will celebrate their 64th wedding anniversary on December 25.
Chet & Sandy Yoder will celebrate their 19th wedding anniversary on December 29.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



- Dec. 23 – Committee Mtg. @ Steve & Cheryl's @ 7:30
 30 – Game/Movie Night @ 7:30
 Bring a \$5-\$7 gift –
 Guys for a guy; Girls for a girl
 31 – New Year's Eve Party @ Hinkletown Mennonite School Gym; 7 PM-12 AM
 Meet at the church at 6:30 PM
 Guys bring a drink; girls bring a snack

Camp Hebron invites you to their New Year's Eve celebration which will include fun activities for all ages including an all-you-can-eat buffet, worship led by Shawn Hoffmaster from Millmont Pa, and square dancing called by Dave Kreiter, climbing wall, and a New Year's Eve party complete with snacks and a midnight celebration! Overnight package includes lodging in motel-style rooms and New Year's Day brunch. Go to their website www.camphebron.org for more details and to register.



Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) invites visitors to join **Peter J. Dyck** for a reception at MCC's Welcoming Place, 21 South 12th Street, Akron, PA. The drop-in event will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, December 28, 2009. You are invited to visit with Peter, to peruse his books and to enjoy light refreshments commemorating Peter's 95th birthday. Guests will have opportunity to contribute to a current MCC program in Sudan, Africa. "Coming Home Sudan" is MCC's support for displaced people returning to Southern Sudan following a 22 year civil war. Contributions help with education, agriculture and peace-building efforts in Sudan.

LAST SUNDAY:

Sunday School Attendance: 159

Offering: Pastoral Support Fund - \$6,442.10

NEXT SUNDAY – Sermon: Larry Weber

Offering: Building Fund

Today

LIBRARY: Connie Fox

GREETERS: Ray & Naomi Good
Valerie Mast

NURSERY:

Next Sunday

Sandy Yoder

Wes Shirk, Janie Nolt

Julie Weber, Michelle Ringler

Sermon Notes

God Delivers!

Litany of Response

Leader: Lord, in this time of Advent, we celebrate your presence with us and long for your coming. We rejoice that you deliver.

People: **Lord, make us ready. Deliver us from sin and hopelessness. We celebrate your light coming into our darkness.**

Leader: We remember the hope Jesus brings to all people in all times and places.

People: **Rejoice! God delivers.**

Leader: We remember the peace God gives, a flickering candle that the night cannot understand or extinguish.

People: **Rejoice! God delivers.**

Leader: We rejoice because God is in our midst, turning us around and taking away our fear. God rejoices over us with gladness, God renews us with love.

People: **Rejoice! God delivers.**

Leader: We look for signs in the heavens and God sends a baby. God remembers. God's saving mercy breaks through time and space to include even us.

All: **Rejoice! God delivers.**

