

**Our Mission**

- Enabling our church family to know and live the Christian way of life as revealed in Christ
- Serving the community and the world so that all may experience our love and the love of God

**Traditional Worship Service  
December 13, 2009  
8:30 A.M.**

**The Third Sunday of Advent**

**Welcome, Announcements and Sharing**

John and Carol Van Horn

**Prelude**

**Advent Lighting**

Terry and Carol Koons

**Leader 1** Jesus said, “I am the light of the world...whoever follows me will have the light of life and will never walk in darkness.

**Lighting the Third Candle**

**Leader 2** What does the third candle symbolize?

**People (Unison)** The third candle reminds us that the Christ would be called the Prince of Peace. To follow him, we too must work for peace.

**Scripture Reading** **Micah 4:3**

**Children’s Story** *While Shepherds Watched*  
Phyllis Kegerreis

**\*Prayer of Invocation** John and Carol Van Horn

**\*Hymn** *O Little Town of Bethlehem* #196

**\*Hymn** *It Came upon the Midnight Clear* #188

**Offertory Prayer** John and Carol Van Horn

**Offering (Please print your name on the attendance register. If you are a guest, please include your address and/or telephone number.)**

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology** #668

**Pastoral Prayer** Darlene Stouffer

**Anthem** *I’m Expecting Him* Chancel Choir

**New Testament Reading** **Matthew 3:1-11**  
John and Carol Van Horn

**Message** *Traveling Down the Advent Highway*  
Darlene Stouffer

**\*Hymn** *The First Noel* #180

**\*Benediction** Darlene Stouffer

**\*Postlude**

**\*All who are able may stand.**  
**Audio enhancement** for the hearing impaired is available.  
Please check with the head usher.

**Greeters** Raymond and June Hawbaker  
Conrad and Donna Peachey

**Ushers** Ronald Hughes, Robert C. Rotz  
Richard Shreiner and Robert Witter

**Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:**  
Worship Leadership John and Carol Van Horn  
Advent Lighting Terry and Carol Koons  
Children’s Story Phyllis Kegerreis  
Music Leadership Jacqueline Picking  
Organist Sandy Sleichter

**Schedule of Events and Activities**

**Today, December 13**  
**Childcare is available** for infants thru age 3 in the Crib Room during the 8:30 a.m. Traditional Service and the 10:45 a.m. Blended Service.

**Deadline for January Pastor’s Pen** is TODAY. Please submit all information to the church office.

**7:00 p.m. Tonight** - A Christmas Program will be presented at Shanks COB. EVERYONE is invited to come and enjoy an evening of God’s Christmas Blessings!

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**Blended Worship Service  
(in Brethren Life Center)  
December 13, 2009  
10:45 A.M.**

**The Third Sunday of Advent**

**(Childcare is available for infants thru age 3 in the Crib Room)**

**Opening Song/Welcome**

**Announcements/Prayer** Information about the church at the Chambersburg Church of the Brethren.

**Offering** Please sign the attendance register.

**Worship Music** Please feel free to maintain a posture conducive to worship: stand, sing, kneel, clap, raise hands, or simply remain seated.

**Lighting of the Candle**

**Children’s Story**

**Prayer** We hope that you’ll take advantage of this opportunity to receive prayer for any need.

**New Testament Reading** **Matthew 3:1-11**  
Darlene Stouffer

**Message** *Traveling Down the Advent Highway*

**Ending Song**

**Prayer of Parting**

**\*\*Please, please, please sign the attendance register.**

**Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:**  
Music Leaders Kevin and Darla Tharp  
Greeters/Ushers Dennis and Vicki Kiser

**Tuesday, December 15**

6:00 p.m. – Helping Hand Circle Christmas Party – Home of Margie Diller

**Wednesday, December 16**

8:30 a.m. – Quilting – MFH

**Thursday, December 17**

11:15 a.m. – Loving Hearts Christmas Tea/Lunch – Home of Pastor Darlene

7:00 p.m. – Congregational Life Commission Meeting – Conference Room

**Please take Note**

**The Rosebuds** are presented to the Glory of God in memory of Dina Bittinger, and in honor of our birthday, given by Tina Horst.

**The Executive Committee**, at its December 7, 2009 meeting, hired Chuck Weaver as Christian Education Director to replace Diane Berger who is retiring. Chuck will begin his responsibilities on Monday, December 14, 2009 and work with Diane Berger until he is trained in the position.

**Hoss's Community Night**, Monday, December 14, 2009. Come dine at Hoss's (lunch/dinner) and Hoss's will donate 20% of meals to Frances Leiter Center. Cards available in the Narthex and Brethren Life Center Lobby area.

**The Helping Hand Circle** Christmas Party will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at the home of Margie Diller. Bring a finger food to share.

**The Loving Hearts Group** will be traveling by vans to Pastor Darlene's home on Thursday, December 17, 2009 for a Christmas Tea/Lunch. Please bring a dozen cookies to share and exchange. We plan to leave the BLC parking lot at 11:15 a.m.

**The Congregational Life Commission** will meet on Thursday, December 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

**Youth Group Christmas Party** will be held on Saturday, December 19, 2009 in the Brethren Life Center beginning at 5:00 p.m. Come for an evening of movies, games and lots of fun!

**The bicycles in the Brethren Life Center Lobby** are available for individuals who can make good use of them. See one of the pastors if interested in a bicycle.

**The Children's Choir will be singing** at the Christmas Eve Service to be held at 7:30 p.m.

**Contributions for 2009 Giving** – Special gift contributions need to be in the Church Office by noon on Tuesday, December 29<sup>th</sup>. Any giving received January 1<sup>st</sup> or later will be credited to 2010 giving.

**Offering Envelopes** – Offering envelopes will be available on Sunday, December 20, 2009. If you do not presently have offering envelopes and would like offering envelopes, contact the church office and you will be issued envelopes for 2010.

**December 24, 2009 – Christmas Eve Service**

**6:45 p.m. – 7:15 P.M. –Live Nativity – Front Lawn**

**7:15 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. –Organ Recital - Sanctuary**

**7:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve Service – Sanctuary**

**Please come and invite others.**

**2010 Flower Charts** - New Flower Charts are posted in the narthex for altar flowers in the sanctuary, and on the bulletin board outside the Brethren Life Center for altar flowers for the blended service. Altar arrangements are \$30.00.

**Chambersburg Hispanic American Center Pecan Sale** – Fresh, delicious holiday gifts that support CHAC. Samples and order forms are available in the Brethren Life Center Lobby area. Orders with payment are due to the church office by Monday, December 14, 2009.

**In case of inclement weather** on worship times, please listen to WCRH 90.5 FM radio; check the church's website [www.chambcob.org](http://www.chambcob.org) or call a Deacon. No phone calls will be made by Deacons.

**Cumberland Valley Christian Choir Spring Cantata** – Persons interested in singing in this choir should sign the sheet located in the Narthex. Rehearsals will be held on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at Chambersburg Mennonite Church starting January 21<sup>st</sup>. The Cantata will be performed on April 11, 17, 18 and 25, 2010 at various locations. Cost of materials will be \$25 per person. Deadline for sign up is December 27.

**Needed: Non-perishable food items and empty egg cartons** for the Food Pantry. Please place items in the barrels located in the narthex or BLC Lobby.

**Future Events – Our Church**

**Wednesday, January 6, 2010** – Midweek Connection. Meal at 5:30 p.m. with Bible Studies for all ages at 6:30 p.m.