

✦ **NEXT WEEK – December 16, 2018** ✦

**Next Week's Sermon** – Pastor Dave Preaching  
Advent Sermon Series: Our Coming Savior  
The Innkeeper  
Luke 2:1-7

**Offering** – Home Treasury

**1st Service Greeters** – Glenn & Debbie Martin

**Sunday School Greeters** – Andrew & Heather Ferguson  
Clint & Shaina Ferguson

**2nd Service Greeters** – Aaron & Danae Amstutz

**Moderator 1st Service** – Jon Rotz

**2nd Service** – Aaron Amstutz

**Prayer Leader 1st Service** – Jon Rotz

**2nd Service** – Jay Kuhns

**Nursery 2nd Service** – Denise Priest & Faith Horst

**Children's Church:**

**PreK-Kindergarten** – Amy Boyer & Maggie Possinger

**1st – 3rd Grade** – Christmas Program Practice

**Worship Leader 1st Service** – Jon Rotz

**2nd Service** – Devin Horst

**Media Tech 1st Service** – Jen Kuhns

**2nd Service** – Linda Boyer

**Sound Tech 1st Service** – Tim Martin

**2nd Service** – Josiah Utermoehlen

**Rovers: 9:15 – Close:** Steve Sauder & Alyssa Horst

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## Notes

# Welcome To



## *Mercersburg Mennonite Church*

**Early Worship**

**8:15 A.M.**

**Sunday School**

**9:30 A.M.**

**Worship**

**10:45 A.M.**



### **Mission Statement**

As believers in Jesus Christ, our desire is to be real with God, real with each other and real with the world. No longer being satisfied with simply living a “Christian life” but living our lives for Christ.

Pastor David & Glenda Possinger  
 Pastor Emeritus Lloyd & Rachel Gingrich  
 Deacons Aaron & Danae Amstutz  
 John & Linda Horst

UPCOMING CHURCH SERVICES

**Christmas Program & Candle Lighting Service** – next Sunday, December 16; 7:00 pm. Each family please bring a snack to share following the service.

**Winter Communion** – Sunday, December 23 in both services.

**Renewal Services** – Sat, Feb 9 – Mon, Feb 11; speaker – Antonio Alloa.  
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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Offering Totals** November 25 – Home Treasury: \$6169.00  
 December 2 – Missions: \$5290.51

**Special Offering Focus for December** – Doug & Barb Miller  
 Prayerfully consider what God would be leading you to give over and above your normal tithe. Wooden box is in foyer for your contributions.

**Thank You** to everyone who donated food and/or helped to serve at the luncheons at Brindle Terrace & Estates. Your help was greatly appreciated!

**Offering Envelopes** for 2019 will be given out the end of this month. If you do not currently have an envelope and would like to receive one for 2019, please let Rhonda know today.

**REAL & Ladies Christmas Party** – tomorrow; 6:30 pm.

**Next Step Small Group** will be caroling this Tuesday, December 11. Meet at Brindle Terrace at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to join them.

**Cookie Baking** – will be held in the kitchen Tuesday, December 18; 8:30 - ?. Please bring 2 large or 3 small batches of cookie dough ready to bake, baking sheets, containers to take cookies home and something to share for lunch. All are welcome to participate.

**Christmas Program Practice** for children in grades 1-5 held during children's church each Sunday morning. Encourage your children to attend as often as possible. If you have any questions contact Sheila Forrester.

**Mailing Address for Dillon Vosburg:** PVT Vosburg Dillon J  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Platoon, Punishers  
 C-CO 3-60<sup>th</sup> INF RGT  
 5500 Marion Ave.  
 Fort Jackson, SC 29207

**Care Package** items are still being collected for John & Connie Wadel. A basket is available in the foyer hallway for your items.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Grand Opening of Menno Haven Rehabilitation Center** – December 13 & 16. See poster on bulletin board for more information.

**Star Theater** is showing FREE faith-based films. Upcoming movies are: Nov. 30 – Finding Normal; Dec 7 – Christmas Angel; Dec. 14 – Christmas with a Capital C & Dec. 21 – Wish for Christmas.

**Cove Valley Camp Upcoming Announcements:**

- **Sr. High Retreat** – January 11-13; Grades 9-12
- **Jr. High Retreat** – January 18-20; Grades 6-8
- **Primary Retreat** – January 25-27; Grades 3-5
- **Open Positions** – Program Assistant (works with and supports the Program Director in planning future programs of the camp including Summer Camps, Retreats, Challenge Course and all items associated with camp's programs. Contact Eric at [program@covevalleycamp.com](mailto:program@covevalleycamp.com) if interested)
- Food Service Assistant (works with and supports the Food Service Director. Contact Allen at [execdirector@covevalleycamp.com](mailto:execdirector@covevalleycamp.com) if interested).

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



- December 9 – Amy Boyer
- December 9 – Starr Miller
- December 11 – Andrew Ferguson
- December 16 – Sarah Eshleman
- December 16 – Dustin Martin



ANNIVERSARIES



December 7 – Tim & Kim Martin – married 22 years.

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YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS: (7th – 12th Grades)

**Wednesday, December 12** – Bible Study at Neil & Jen Kuhns home.  
**Wednesday, December 19** – Caroling downtown Mercersburg. Meet at church promptly at 6:45

YOUNG ADULT GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Post High)

**Wed, December 19; 7:00 pm** – Bible Study at Ethan & Debbie Meyers' home.

★ Sunday School For All Ages – 9:30 A.M. ★

**Greeters** – Levi & Sheila Forrester  
 Ben & Janet Martin

★ Worship Service – 8:15 & 10:45 A.M. ★

**1<sup>st</sup> Service Greeter** – Jim & Lynne Bauder

**2<sup>nd</sup> Service Greeters** – Chet & Jane Martin

**Nursery (ages 1-3) 2<sup>nd</sup> Service** – Stacey Rice & Morgan Bitikofer

**Children's Church:**

**PreK – Kindergarten** – Alecia Rotz & Seth Possinger  
**1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Christmas Program Practice

**Call to Worship 1<sup>st</sup> Service** – Daryl Hunsecker  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Service** – Ryan Horst

**Announcements 1<sup>st</sup> Service** – Neil Kuhns  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Service** – Aaron Amstutz

**Prayer Leader 1<sup>st</sup> Service** – Neil Kuhns  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Service** – Aaron Amstutz

**Offering:** Missions

**Worship Leader 1<sup>st</sup> Service** – Daryl Hunsecker  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Service** – Ryan Horst

**Sermon** – Pastor David Possinger  
**“Joy in Expectations Being Unexpected”**  
**Joseph & Mary**  
 Luke 1:25 - 38; Matthew 1:18 – 25