

**WELCOME TO  
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH**

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**December 11, 2016**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:30 A.M.**

Uniform Series – Upstairs Sunday School Class

*"Life Together in the Spirit"* – Kitchen Class – teacher Jill Miller

Elementary Class (Ages 2 to Grade 6) – Basement Classroom

**MORNING WORSHIP – 10:30 A.M.**

**"Third Sunday of Advent"**

**Worship Leader:** Neil Lehman

**Music Leader:** Rachel Allen

**Announcements**

**Focus Statement:**

*God's healing is at hand. Come, walk in the way of God's heart.*

**Gathering Song**

**Call to Worship**

**Candle Lighting**

**Confession/Reconciling**

**Offering**

**Song**

**Children's Time** – Sharon Shetler

**Scripture:** Isaiah 35:1-10; Matthew 11:2-11 read by Glenn Lehman

**Sermon:** Leah Rittenhouse

**Silence & Reflection**

**Song of Response**

**Prayers/Sharing**

**Sending Song**

**Benediction**

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**Greeters for December:** Dan & Sarah Barrett-Ross

**Bulletin Editor for December:** Shana Lichtenfels – 288-0171

**Front Table Arrangement for December:** Worship Committee

**Church Sign for December:** Rod & Cindy Lehman

**Sharing & Caring Items for December:** Peanut Butter &  
Spaghetti Sauce

**Offering Holders for December:** Dan & Sarah Barrett-Ross

**Offering:** 12/04/16 – \$2,804.00 = Regular

450.00 = Women's Help Center

50.00 = Benevolence Fund

\$2,304.00 = TOTAL

\*\*\*\*\*COMING EVENTS\*\*\*\*\*

**Wed., Dec. 14, 5:00-7:00 p.m.** – Souper Wednesday

**Wed., Dec. 14, 7:00 p.m.** – Church Council – All are welcome

\*\*\*\*\*NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS\*\*\*\*\*

**Following the sermon** will be a time of silence and reflection.

During this time, you are invited to write or draw something on

one of the heart ornaments at the end of the pew. Some questions

to reflect on: What stood out to you from a song, the scripture, or

this morning's service? Where have you witnessed God at work in

the world? What does it mean to walk in the way of God's heart?

Where have you sensed God's presence?

**Johnstown Embraces Unity** is hosting a gathering Today Sunday, December 11 from 1-3 p.m. at the YWCA on Somerset Street in Johnstown. A time to gather in the name of love, peace, and unity with other members of our community. Bring some snacks to share and RSVP to Rachel at [rachel@yogasong.net](mailto:rachel@yogasong.net)





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Johnstown, Pennsylvania

We commit to love and obey God, and through the power of the Holy Spirit follow Jesus, sharing the story of God's love, forgiveness, and grace, making God's kingdom of peace and justice more present on Earth.

**Happy Birthday:** Wish the following a Happy Birthday today

or by sending them a card this week: Today., Dec. 11 – Emma Kate Hartzler

**The Children's Christmas program** will be held here at Stahl on Tonight, Sunday, December 11 at 6:00 p.m. with a fellowship time to follow. Please plan to bring 2 dozen cookies to share. Hope to see you all there!

**Start baking those cookies!!** We are looking forward to sharing the Joy of Christ that is within us through Christmas Caroling. Bring your happy voice and any instrumentation you can add and join us on Sunday evening, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Notify Linda Gindlesperger or Jeanette Hunsberger if you know of someone who would enjoy a visit from carolers. We'll meet at the church at 5:00 p.m., split into groups and return to the church for cookies, hot chocolate, and fun.

**To order Poinsettias** – contact Joyce Telenko – 479-7092. The cost is \$8.50 – Red only.

**A revised version of the Israel-Palestine resolution** first brought to delegates at the Mennonite Church USA assembly in 2015 is now available for review. Visit [www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/seeking-peace-israel-palestine](http://www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/seeking-peace-israel-palestine) to view the document and provide feedback by Dec. 20.

\*\*\*\*\***PRAYER REQUESTS**\*\*\*\*\*

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|---------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Reggie Harris                   | Amanda Steitz   | Alissa Miller    |
| Richard Luprek                  | L.F.            | Evan Yoder       |
| Virginia Moyer                  | Joe Marisa, Sr. | Cody Stager      |
| Sharon Nisley                   | Jack Jordan     | Jack Hoffman     |
| Toby Duffy                      | Terry Lauper    | Evan Yoder       |
| Marilyn Reott                   | Ross Thomas     | Jalen Kauffman   |
| Jim Hilty Family                | Ed Mackle       | Helen Krenisky   |
| Rick Wadell Family              | Fonda Danchanko | Faye Hock-Holbay |
| Richard & Maryann Jacobs        |                 | Karen Gillin     |
| Pastoral Search Committee       |                 | Unspoken request |
| Michael Schaefer Family (Death) |                 | “Chuckie” - MVA  |

Walking in the way of God's heart



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