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The manifold wisdom of God be made known

Prelude

Susan Allison-Jones

Welcome

Lil Quanz

Call to Worship

The wisemen came from the east following a star to Bethlehem

By the leading of a star God revealed God's only Son in all his glory to the people of the earth.

The wisemen bowed before the little one bringing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

We too come to worship the baby born in Bethlehem - we bring our gifts and lie them before Jesus.

Emmanuel, God with us. The manifestation of light and new life.

Guide us this day into your presence, where we may see your glory face-to-face.

Let all adore you, for you are the Lord of lords and the King of kings.

Opening Prayer

Song VT 275 O Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Scripture Isaiah 60:1-6

Song VT 258 Love Has Come

Scripture Matthew 2:1-12

Song SS 29 Brightest and Best
(sung by Keith & Kristyn Getty)

Sermon Susan Allison-Jones

Song VT 255 Love Came Down at Christmas

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Song VT 277 As with Gladness

Sending

As you go today, may you bear with you the mystery of Christ's birth: God's story of restoration goes on.

Upcoming Worship Services

Jan 08 The manifold wisdom of God be made known
Isaiah 60:1-6; Matthew 2:1-12

Jan 15 He comes to us in all distress
Isaiah 63:7-9; Matthew 2-13-23

Upcoming Events

Tuesday Morning Quilting & Matt Weaving 9:00 am

Birthdays (last week of December):

December 27, Florence Scheerer

December 27, Carol Barton

Prayer Requests:

Lois Lantz is at the Hospice in Stratford. Please pray for Lois as she lives out her last days in this beautiful space.

Keep Doris Duncan in your prayers as she continues to wait for a space in a Long Term Care Home.

Congregational Notes:

Thank you for all of your warm wishes, cards and presents over the Christmas season. Wishing all a New Year filled with God's love and peace. Susan

Doris Duncan - Phone Number 519 885 0567
This number goes directly to her room.

Lois Lantz is in Room 8 at the Rotary Hospice 80 Greenwood Drive, Stratford. Visitors are welcome. The hospice requires COVID tests however, if you have a valid test less than two days old they will accept that. Please let Susan know if you visit.

New address for Pauline Piggott is:
500 New Brooke Lodge, Apt 360
3 St East
Brooks, Alberta
T1R 1P6

The Ministry Team has appointed Ross Shantz (Chair), Sandra Bean and Ken Quanz to be responsible for the oversight of the Good Samaritan Fund. Susan Allison Jones will also be part of the committee. Their first responsibility will be to set up guidelines for the distribution of the funds.

Beyond the Congregation:

Free Film Screening The Wilmot Ecumenical Working Group on Indigenous/Settler Relationships is hosting a free screening of "Colonization Road" - An exploration of the effects of road building by settlers on Indigenous land and culture. The film will be shown on Thursday, January 26th, 7 p.m. at Zion United Church, 215 Peel St., New Hamburg. The church requires that face masks be worn. Registration is not necessary.

MCC Relief Sale Feature Quilt Each year, a talented individual or team creates the feature quilt for the New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale. Feature quilts have depicted historical churches, the play of colour and light across fabric, a journey through Africa, among other innovative designs. On January 23, the curtain will be removed and the 2023 feature quilt will be revealed. Join us in the lower atrium at 50 Kent Ave, Kitchener or on social media.

MCC Great Winter Warm-Up (GWW). Give the gift of warmth around the world with comforters. The material Resource (MR) centre in New Hamburg is hosting a comforter-knotting blitz the week of February 6-13, 2023. You can sign up [here](#) to go to the MR centre. Or call Katie at 519-745-8458, ext 235.

Ministry Team Leaders:

Ministry Coordinator & Facilities – John Good
Worship and Formation – Lil Quanz
Fellowship – Fern Good, Marcia Kastner, Susan Wagler
Pastoral Care, Missions and Service - All members
Member at Large (Ministry Team) - Ross Shantz

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