

WILMOT MENNONITE CHURCH

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Between a Rock and a Hard Place: How Do We Continue On?

Prelude Joyce Ressor & Ivan Emke

Call to Worship Lil Quanz

Responding to the call of the living God,
our rescuer and Saviour,
**we welcome the Holy Spirit's presence,
among and within us.**

In the name of Jesus, our risen Lord,
we offer ourselves in worship.

Opening Prayer

Song Let Us Build a House VT 36

Lighting of the Advent Candle Sylvia & Stan Gallian

Reader 1: When we find ourselves between a rock and a hard place, we may ask how to continue on.

Reader 2: When Daniel's persistent prayers brought him between opposing laws of the land and the mouths of hungry lions in a stone-covered den, despite the risk, he chose to trust God.

Reader 1: When Jesus found himself faced with persecution and false accusations, he chose forgiveness over self-defense.

Candlelighting

Our path may meander through rocky situations, but we will hold Christ as our centre as we journey together.

Prayer for Advent

Song Longing for Light VT 715

Scripture Daniel 6:6-27

Sermon Susan Allison Jones

Song of Response Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus VT 218

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Carols O Beautiful Star of Bethlehem VT 275
Go Tell it On the Mountain VT 252

Sending

Go, borrowing the courage of Daniel,
in the sure and certain hope of God's faithful presence.
May the praise of God be on our lips,
the Holy Spirit at our side,
and the peace of Christ within our hearts. Amen.

Postlude

Advent Worship Services: Together on the Journey

- Dec 1** Between a Rock and a Hard Place Susan
Daniel 6:6-27; Luke 11:13
- Dec 8** Opening Hearts Susan
Joel 2:13-13, 28-29; Luke 11:13
- Dec 15** Anointing for Justice Bob Thaler
Isaiah 61:1-11; Luke 4:16-21
- Dec 22** Embodying God's Spirit Susan
Luke 1:26-49; Psalm 113
- Dec 24** Christmas Eve Service 4 pm
- Dec 28** Christmas Carol Sing - Wilmot Ignited Churches
- Jan 5** Keeping Promises Who Sees It? Susan
Luke 2:21-38 Psalm 131

Upcoming Advent Formation Hour

The Weary World Rejoices by Kate Bowler

- Dec 1** The Promise of Truth
- Dec 8** The Promise of Compassion
- Dec 15** The Promise of Restoration
- Dec 22** The Promise of Justice

Upcoming Events

Dec 10 Christmas Lunch at Schmidtsville

Birthdays

Susan Allison-Jones December 6

Christmas Gift Giving

You are invited to place food items under the Christmas tree. They will be taken to the Resource Center in New Hamburg. Designated financial donations are also welcomed.

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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To Book the Church call the Church Office @ 519-634-5030.

Church Office Hours: Edna will not be in the office during Advent. If you have bulletin announcements please send them to Susan no later than Wednesday.