

December 3, 2017



**MINISTRY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Ushers:** Gene Musselman, Ella Roth, Isaiah Zercher, Ben Fasick and Julia Rioux
- Prelude & Offertory** Jeremy Chubb, Ben Simcox & Damaris Gehman
- Worship Leader** Barb Springer
- Song Leader** Dale Weaver
- Praise & Worship** Ben Simcox
- Children's Church** Will Reeder, Jim Burkholder, & Sandy Crouse
- Nursery Ministry**
  - Worship Hour** ~ Brad & Rindy Lamb
  - Sunday School** ~ Gary & Cindy Musselman
  - WNO** ~ Amanda Musselman & Barb Springer

\*\*\*\* **THIS WEEK** \*\*\*\*

- Today Mon.** South East Asian Program and potluck luncheon  
Men's Group
- Tues.** Ladies Fellowship & Study ~ 9:30AM
- Wed.** WNO (Wednesday Night Out) and MCC Sewing Group at 6:30PM
- Sun.** Congregational Meeting and Potluck Luncheon

\*\*\*\* **UPCOMING EVENTS** \*\*\*\*

- Dec.11** Men's Group ~ 7:00PM
- Dec. 13** WNO ~ Meal and Christmas Caroling
- Dec. 24** Nativity Pageant by children ~ 9:30AM  
Candlelight Service followed by dinner ~ 6:00PM
- Jan. 5** Jr. High Retreat at Camp Hebron
- Jan. 11** WNO (Wednesday Night Out) Winter Session begins
- Jan. 12** Sr. High Retreat at Camp Hebron

~ **Adult Sunday School Class Options** ~

**International Sunday School Class** ~ Signs of God's covenants - rainbow, circumcision, Sabbath observance, and a Spirit-filled heart.

**Leaders:** Myrna Eshleman, Caleb Miller, & Lamarr Widmer  
**Room 114**

**The Thrill of Hope** ~ Generation after generation anticipated the birth of the Messiah without assurance they would live to witness it. Do you sometimes wonder about God's silence, his concern for you or our world? Is it worth it to follow Christ? Join us for this video mini-series, including class discussion, during December to renew your hope.

**Leader:** Danielle Hawley  
**Room 115**

**Young Adults & Couples Class** ~ This interactive class will discuss issues relevant to young adults, including work-life balance, managing priorities, exploring meanings of success, and a deepening relationship with Christ. We are here to support one another.

**Leaders:** Jeremy Chubb & Ben Fredrick  
**Conference Room**

**College & Career** ~ Thriving in Babylon, a video series with Larry Osborne. Can one lead a godly, successful, and high-impact life in today's culture? Despair is never from God, how genuine humility disarms even the greatest of enemies, and how the wise carefully pick their battles.

**Leaders:** Roger & Holly Myers & Ulli Klemm  
**Room: 111**

**VIP Class (3rd Sunday of month)** ~ For persons with special needs and their friends.

**Leader:** Ulli Klemm  
**Room 112**

~ **Children's Sunday School Classes** ~

**Early Childhood (Ages 3-5)**

**Leaders:** Lori Manivong with Chris Hawley  
**Room 106**

**Primary (Kindergarten-Grade 2)**

**Leaders:** Amanda Musselman & Liz Hess  
**Room 110**

**Middler (Grades 3-5)**

**Leaders:** Allie & Uriah Parker with Dan & Amanda Rider  
**Room 109**

**Jr. MYF (Grades 6-8)**

**Leaders:** Johnny Zook with Ed White  
**Room 105**

**MYF (Grades 9-12)**

**Leaders:** Jeff & Trang Rioux  
**Annex building**

**Prelude**

**Hymn #26 ~ Holy Spirit, Come With Power**

**Welcome & Greeting One Another**

**Praise & Worship**

**Lighting Advent Candle** ~ Dean, Bonnie, & Noreen Lehman

**Congregational Prayer**

**Offering** (New Hope food donations may be placed under the tree.)

**Hymn# 172 ~ O Come, O Come, Immanuel**

**Scripture** ~ **Matthew 1:18-25** (Page #981 in the pew Bible)  
(Children ages 3 - Grade 3 are dismissed for Children's Church)

**Sermon ~ Christmas Presence**

~ Lynn Shertzer ~

**Response Hymn**

**Benediction**

**Benediction Hymn#119 ~ Praise God From Whom**

*Fellowship Time ~ 10:45*

*Sunday School ~ 11:00 ~ 11:45*

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Joy Fasick, Associate Pastor of Community Life  
Fran Leiter, Administrative Assistant



**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Health and Personal Concerns**

- ✚ **Eva Tothero**
- ✚ **Thelma Schafer**, sister of Fran Leiter
- ✚ **Josh Witmer** and family, neighbors of Ken & Sharon Doll
- ✚ **Ed Fleischer**
- ✚ **Katie Phykitt**, Messiah College Student, for a foot injury
- ✚ **Kristy**, sister-in-law of Ben Simcox
- ✚ **Richard and Sharon Boyer**
- ✚ **Disaster Victims** and volunteers
- ✚ **Charlie Smith**
- ✚ **Polly Worley**, sister of Jeff Walter
- ✚ **Nancy and Calvin Walter**

**Outreach & Missions**

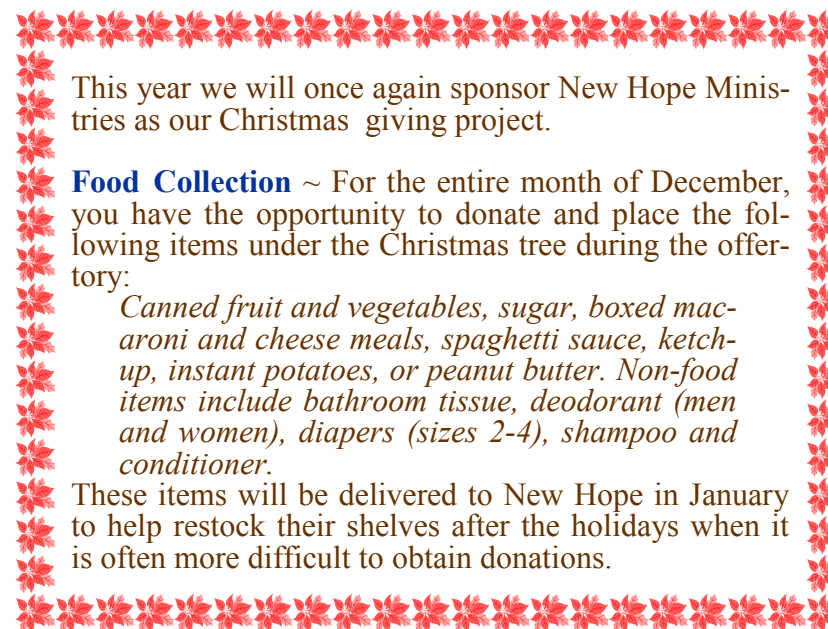
- ✚ Jeremy Chubb, STEP
- ✚ Friends of Shirati
- ✚ InterVarsity, Dickinson
- ✚ New Hope Ministries
- ✚ Service Adventure

**For Grieving Family and Friends of**

- ✚ **Michael Buckingham**, brother of Tara Mayes
- ✚ **Stanley Tomlinson**, father of Tara Hess



Attendance .....197



This year we will once again sponsor New Hope Ministries as our Christmas giving project.

**Food Collection** ~ For the entire month of December, you have the opportunity to donate and place the following items under the Christmas tree during the offering:

*Canned fruit and vegetables, sugar, boxed macaroni and cheese meals, spaghetti sauce, ketchup, instant potatoes, or peanut butter. Non-food items include bathroom tissue, deodorant (men and women), diapers (sizes 2-4), shampoo and conditioner.*

These items will be delivered to New Hope in January to help restock their shelves after the holidays when it is often more difficult to obtain donations.

**The Nativity Pageant** for children age 3 through grade 5 will be Sunday morning, December 24 during the worship service. A rehearsal will be held the week before during the Sunday school hour on December 17. Please save these dates. Questions? Contact Kerry Harker-Roth.

**Thanks to the Jr. and Sr. High youth**, their advisors, and Valerie Weaver-Zercher for decorating the church for Christmas.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT OUT (WNO)** continues this week. If you plan on attending, please complete the enclosed meal slip and place it in the offering plate.

Meal Served 5:45-6:30  
Children's Activities 6:15-7:00  
Jr. & Sr. Youth ~ 6:45-7:45

**Offering Report**

Total tithes and offerings including online giving for Sunday, November 26th, were \$6,617.00 of which \$220.00 was for mortgage reduction. Our weekly expense budget is **\$8,500.00.**

**Welcome to Slate Hill Mennonite Church**, where we strive to live our faith in Jesus Christ. We are delighted to have you worship with us and hope you will find our service inviting and uplifting. After worship, please stop by the **Welcome Center** (under the "Welcome" sign in the foyer) for a **free gift**. Also, join us for **refreshments** in the fellowship hall so we can become acquainted.

**Some helpful information:**

- So we may be aware of your visit, you're invited to complete a **Welcome Card** (available in the pews) and place it in the offering plate when it is passed.
- **Information about Slate Hill Mennonite** and Mennonites in general is available at the Welcome Center.
- **Restrooms and a coat rack** are located at the end of the hallway toward the left as you leave the sanctuary. A **family restroom** is located off the conference room. All restrooms are equipped with **changing tables**.
- A **nursery**, staffed by volunteers during worship and Sunday school, can be accessed through the fellowship hall annex, and is available any time for infants through children 2 years old. A microwave is available in the kitchen to heat formula.
- A **cry area**, where parents with a fussy child can listen to the service, is available in the conference room to your left as you leave the sanctuary.
- Children 3 years of age through Grade 3 are dismissed prior to the sermon for **Children's Church** held downstairs each Sunday. Children will return to the sanctuary during the closing hymn.
- Children of all ages are always welcome in the worship service and **activity packets** for their use are just outside the sanctuary.
- **Hearing magnifiers** are available at the sound booth.

**Everyone is invited** to the 10th annual Celebration of the Southeast Asian Fellowship program and potluck luncheon today at 11:30.

**Special Ladies' Fellowship Brunch** this Tuesday: All ladies are invited to a Christmas Brunch this Tuesday, December 5 from 9:30-11:30AM in the conference room. Come and enjoy a delicious meal (all provided), wonderful fellowship, an inspiring Advent devotion, and a time of sharing and prayer. Childcare provided.

**The MCC Sewing Group** will meet this week during WNO at 6:30PM. Interested ladies are welcome to come check us out or lend a helping hand to knot comforters, sew (bring your machine), or cut patches.

**Congregational Meeting and Potluck next Sunday** ~ please plan on attending the meeting after lunch. Bring one each of a hot and cold dish to share.