Giving Update

Budget for the year \$375, 000 Income to date: \$311, 622 Needed: \$63, 378



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Sermon Notes

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Church Calendar

Dec. 24 -Candlelight Service - <u>7:00pm</u> Dec. 25 -Keith Friesen/Christmas Day-<u>10:30am</u> Dec. 26 -Sharing Service - <u>10:30am</u>

Prayer List

-Werner & Marlene Ens -Helen Janzen -Valentine Zacharias (Recovering at home) -Ken Fehr (Recovering at home)

Ryan Thiessen Tyler Loewen Murray & Carol Honsberger Laure & Family (Congo) Eagles Wings Children's Village

Missions

Community Announcements

Winkler Bible Camp

Winkler Bible Camp presents Christmas Glow in the Country! This leisurely 2 km ride is a great way to spend quality time with family and friends and celebrate the season from the comfort of your vehicle. We are open December 11, 12 and 16 -19 from 6-8 pm. \$10.00 per vehicle (cash preferred). No sign-up required. For more information visit winklerbiblecamp.com or call our office at 204-325-9519. This is a fundraising event for Winkler Bible Camp.

From MDS (Mennonite Disaster Service) The December edition of On the Level is now available from MDS. In our current issue: MDS responds to deadly tornadoes in the Midwest and parts of the South, MDS Canada needs volunteers to help survivors recover from extensive flooding in British Columbia, and you can learn more about our Annual Celebration in Sarasota, Florida in January. https://conta.cc/3pTuFRA





Mission Statement

We, the Blumenort Mennonite Church, commit to worship God with our lives, enabled by the Holy Spirit to follow the example of Jesus the Christ.

Worship Leader: Marilyn Dyck Song leader & Pianist: Walter Dyck & Riley Dyck Children's Program Director: Luke Klassen Children's Choir Leader: Cassie Giesbrecht Advent Feature: Kimberly Derksen Date: December 19th, 2021

December 19, 2021- 4th Advent

BMC SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 2021

See, my servant will act wisely; he will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted. Just as there were many who were appalled at himhis appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any human being and his form marred beyond human likenessso he will sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of him. For what they were not told, they will see, and what they have not heard, they will understand. Isaiah 52:13-15

Verse for the Week

"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of the messenger who brings good news, the good news of peace and salvation, the news that the God of Israel reigns!" - Isaiah 52:7

Prayer for the Week

"Lord Jesus, grant us the joy of being your heralds in our communities. Use us to proclaim the good news of salvation in you. Amen."

Church Announcements

-The <u>Sunday School</u> will present

"The Road He Walked", an original play written and directed by Luke Klassen. The play has been pre-recorded and co-edited by Jesse Miller, and will premier during our service. The children's choir will sing this morning, the youngest classes will recite Scriptures, and several children have prepared special musical selections.

-The <u>Candlelight Service</u> will be taking place on December 24th at 7 pm. The service will consist of singing and Scripture readings to celebrate the coming of our King! With our current seating areas, we will be able to have 125 people join the service in person, with the service also being live-streamed. There will be ushers both indoors and outdoors to help people find seating. Please contact Melita Enns (431-775-3440 or melitaenns@yahoo.ca) if you have any questions.

-For the <u>Sharing Service</u> on the 26th, we will have the livestream for those watching from home at 10:30. However, because there may be personal things shared, we will not be leaving the service up on the YouTube channel, after the service airs. So, if you are planning to watch from home, be sure to tune in at 10:30.

In Memoriam

Betty Schroeder (nee Toews) 82, of Altona, formerly of New Hope & Halbstadt, passed away December 11, 2021. She is an aunt to Glenda & Grant Fehr and family. May God's abiding presence and peace surround each family member at this time.

Church Announcements

-Take Note - Dec. 26th - No Sunday School. Sunday School will resume on January 2. 2022.

-Check out the foyer bulletin board for Christmas Greetings that have been sent to our congregation!

-CHURCH RETREAT is being planned for February 4-6, 2022, here at the church! Our speakers will be Len and Sharon Harms, on the topic of God as our Foundation. More details to come! Please keep this weekend open and plan to attend!

Youth Calendar

Youth will resume on January 12 @ 7pm.