### WEST SWAMP MENNONITE CHURCH

Epiphany Sunday: Dare to imagine God's dance

*January* 2, 2022 10:30 A.M.

Prelude "Procession of the Magi" ~ Cyrus S. Mallard

"The Star in the East" ~ Esther S. Higgins
"O Morning Star" ~ Franklin Ritter

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Opening Song "Here I am to worship"

Welcome & Prayer

Lighting the Christ Candle

The Moods

Songs of Praise "Angels from the realms"

"In the beginning"

"He came down"

Scripture Jeremiah 31:7-14

Song "Come, we that love the Lord" #14, v. 1-2

(Dismissal for Children's Church)

Scripture John 1:1-18

Message Pastor Michael

Song of Response "On this day of celebration"

Sharing & Praying

Sending Song "O beautiful star of Bethlehem"

Benediction

Postlude "The Star Carol" ~ Alfred Burt

This Sunday

Worship Leader: Lori Farrell

Greeters: Les & Linda Mood
Organist: Joan Hallman

Musicians: Lynne Rush, Brenda Landt

Videographer: Mark Kemmerer

Visual Technicians: Marsha High, Emily Rush Sound Technicians: Glenn High, Tim Scheetz

Nursery Service is not being offered at this time.

### Sunday School Classes for Winter Quarter

The Bible Project continues to meet in Room 104 and via Zoom at 9 am. We are about to start studying John. Contact Lynne Rush if you would like to join this class.

# West Swamp Mennonite Church

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**Commissions & Deacons:** 

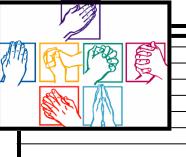
Ministry Team, Randy Rush
Community, Nancy Jacobs
Discipleship (DISCO), Lori Farrell

Mission, Glenn High
Stewardship, vacant
Worship, vacant

Church Secretary: Lynne Rush Treasurer: Pat Bevan



**Mennonite Mission Network:** Mennonite Mission Network thanks your congregation for its generous support of God's work. Continue to hold our personnel and partners in your prayers, as we join to share the light and love of Jesus in our neighborhoods and around the world.



Continue to pray for those in our congregation who are experiencing illness and ongoing medical treatment.

# Welcome to West Swamp Mennonite Church January 2, 2022

Reflecting God in our living, loving & serving

#### Calendar

Jan. 3	Church offices closed
Jan. 4, 8 am	<b>Knotting &amp; Quilting</b>
Jan. 5, 6:30 pm	Chimin' In practice
Jan. 5, 7:15 pm	Choir practice

#### ~ REMINDERS~

As per CDC guidelines, we ask all people to wear a face covering over mouth and nose while in the church building.

Hand sanitizer dispensers are placed throughout the church. Please use them before entering the elevator and the sanctuary.

Offering plates are located at the sanctuary entrance and the second floor elevator.

Please continue to make wise choices that reflect care for others and yourself.



### **Weekly Prayer Focus:**

Pray for vision and wisdom as we discern how best to follow God in the new year!

## ~ What's Happening at West Swamp ~

**Directory Photos:** If you need a new photo for the church directory, please contact the church secretary. She can take photos after worship services on January Sundays. If that does not work, a time during the week can be arranged for either at church or in your home.

**Knotting and quilting** resume this week. There's always room for more people around the frames!

The Gwilliams have a tabletop copier and cabinet that they are now longer using and would like to pass on to someone who could use it. If you are interested in it, or know someone who would be, please contact them.

**Congregational Collage:** Be sure to check out the collage before you leave today and see how it has grown over this season.

# ~ What's Happening in the Community ~

This week, all Mosaic congregations are invited to pray for the **Mosaic Conference staff**. Pray that staff members will continue to discern God's direction for our Conference and our communities and guide us accordingly. Christmas may be over, but there is still one more week left in Mennonite Church USA's Advent at Home worship guide! View the Epiphany ritual in the Advent at Home guide, found at mennoniteusa.org/adventathome.

Help Care & Share Thrift Shoppes keep our neighbors warm! They currently have few coats, and many customers and non-profits are needing them. Drop off your gently used, clean, winter wear, Monday to Saturday, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Children's coats are especially needed!

Are you considering a home improvement project soon? With a home equity loan or line of credit from Everence, a faith-based partner of our church, you can get the cash you need — when you need it — at a great rate! Learn more and note the creation care discount for green-related projects at everence.com/home-equity.

## **Church Office Hours**

Pastor Michael: Tuesday-Thursday, 9-4:30.

Lynne: Tuesday, Thursday, 8:30-1:30. The church offices are closed Jan. 3.