

Nurturing Church Family

Birthdays This Week:
Emily Gober

Anniversaries this Week:
none this week

For the Record

Attendance Jan. 1, 2023:

In person: 42
Zoom: 28 devices (est. 42 people)

General Offering received:

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| December 18 | \$2,702 |
| <u>December 25</u> | <u>\$4,520</u> |
| Month to date | \$13,797 |
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| Total monthly requirement | \$14,691 |

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

FOR FUN AT SMC:

- January 21 - **Trivia Night** at 6:30 pm hosted by Jerrell with snacks provided
- February 12- **Superbowl Watch Party** at SMC

Traveling Exhibit “Voices of Conscience” coming to Portland. Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society, in partnership with Lewis and Clark College will be bringing an exhibit to the Lewis & Clark library July 28 to Sept 24, 2023. The “Voices of Conscience” exhibit lifts up the prophetic insights and the personal courage of World War I peace protestors, and suggests parallels to the culture of war and violence in our world today. Donations are needed to bring exhibit to Portland. More information at pnmhs.org.

Call to Worship Responsive Reading

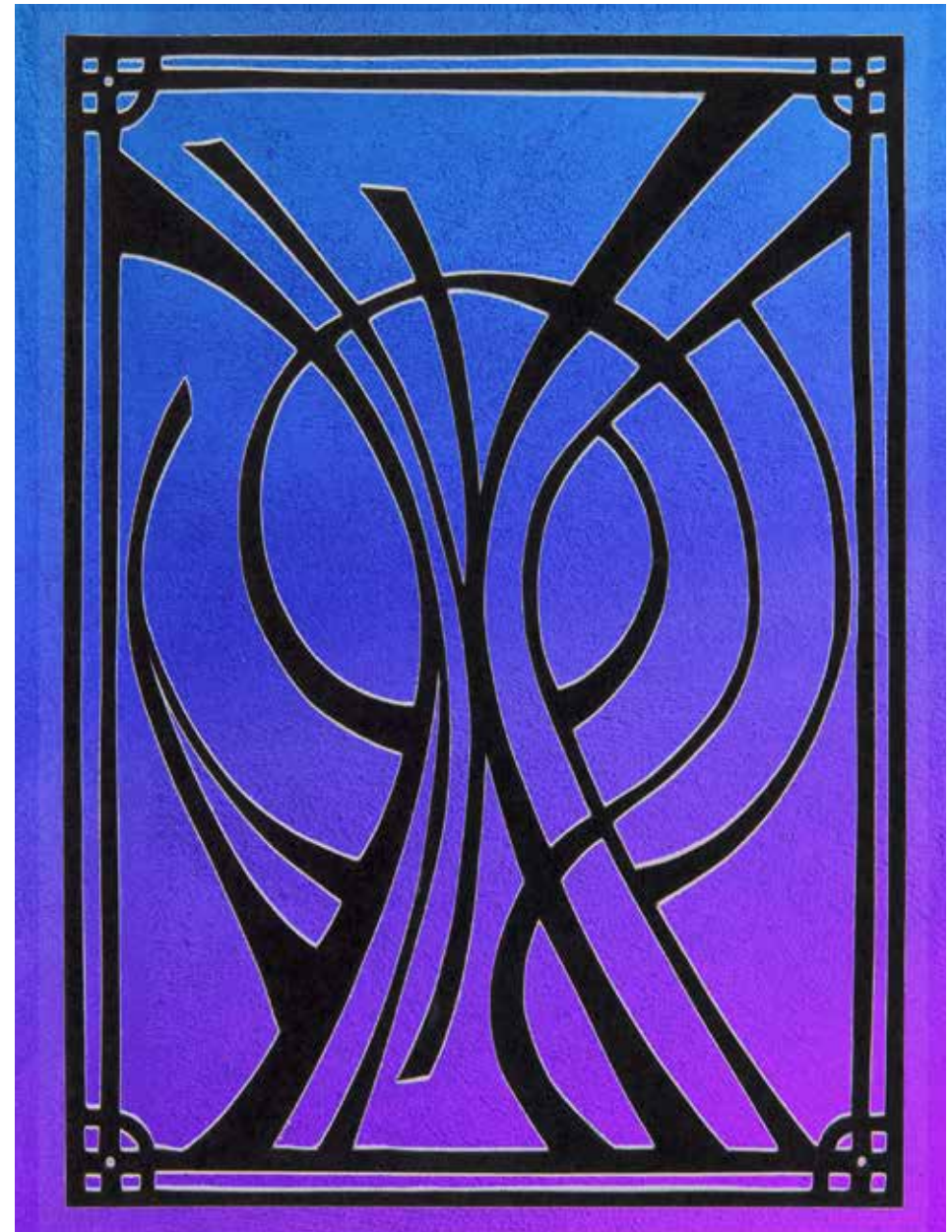
Leader: O God, by the leading of a star you revealed your only Son in all his glory to the people of the earth.

People: **The manifestation of light and new life, you are Emmanuel, God with us.**

Leader: Guide us into your presence, where we may see your glory face-to-face.

People: **We bring our gifts of service, unity, and love as a blessing to your kingdom.**

All: *Let all the earth adore you, for you are the Lord of lords and the King of kings.*



Salem Mennonite Church

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Education Hour: Sundays at 9:30 am • Worship: Sundays at 10:45 am

Salem Mennonite invites all to join us for worship and fellowship. Our prayer is that everyone who enters here may be received as Christ. We celebrate the image of God in all people and publicly affirm that persons of every gender identity and sexual orientation are welcome to participate in our life and ministry.

Mission Statement: Salem Mennonite Church commits to hear and live God's call to be followers of Jesus Christ and to grow as a worshipping community of faith to and reconciliation, where peace, joy and healing are experienced in the church and shared with others.

Salem Mennonite Church Worship Service January 8, 2023

We Gather

Prelude -Reimer-Berg family
Hymn **VT 408** "Crown Him with Many Crowns" -Chris Lehman
Call to Worship and Invocation -Juel Russel
Hymn **VT 275** "O Beautiful Star of Bethlehem"

We Confess

Prayer of Confession -Juel Russell
Assurance of Pardon
Hymn **VT 272** "Hail the Bless'd Morn"

We Hear God's Word

Message for Children **VT 511** "Come on Children" -John Beechy
Special Music -Jennifer Gingerich
Scripture Matthew 2:1-12
Message *Christ for All* -Rev. Jerrell Williams
Hymn **VT 130** "Beautiful Savior"

We Respond

Offering /My Coins Count -Reimer-Berg family
Sharing and Prayer Ending with Lord's Prayer*
* forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us

We Go Forth

Closing Hymn **VT 259** "To Us a Child of Hope is Born"
Sending Words

Matthew 12:1-12 (NRSV)

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" ⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage."

⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Coming Up

Today noon Soup Lunch provided by Kitchen Committee

This Week: January 9-14, 2023

Wed 7:00 am Women's Breakfast Meeting (Zoom)
Wed 9:30 am Quilting
Wed 6:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting (Zoom)
Thurs 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Zoom)
Friday 6:00 pm Community Center (in Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, January 15, 2023

9:30 am Sunday school classes for all ages
10:30 am Coffee Time
10:45 am Worship Service, message, Rev. Jerrell Williams

Full calendar of events at www.salemmennonitechurch.org

Ushers today: Dennis Kauffman & Florence Gingrich **Sound/Zoom Tech:** Chad Hochstetler