

New Holland Mennonite Church

January 6, 2019 • Volume 64, No. 1
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.



Focus Statement: On Epiphany Sunday we bask in the glow of Christ, the light of the world, who brings all the powers of the world to their knees. This week we name the powers of our own modern world that seek to overcome the goodness of God's creation through sin and death. To counteract this evil in our world, we give glory to God, the one who gave us the Son, who himself leads us in the ways of God's justice and righteousness.

Gathering

Preservice: *O come, all ye faithful* (WB 212)

Call to Worship

Karina Morales

Leader: Arise, shine, for our light has come
and the glory of God has risen upon us!

**People: Nations will come to the light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.**

Leader: The love of God for all peoples and nations
is revealed through his Son, Jesus Christ.

**People: We are now one world and one family,
called to be children of God.**

All: Arise, shine, for our light has come!

Opening Prayer

Praising God

Joy to the world (WB 318)

Love came down at Christmas (WB 208)

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Mennonite Children's Choir

Hearing God's Word

Conversation with Children

Jenn Esbenshade

(Ages 4 and under go to nursery)

Oh, beautiful star of Bethlehem (SS 32)

Scripture: Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

Sermon: "Taking a Knee with the Magi"

Sylvia Shirk*

(Anyone who wishes may color at the tables during the sermon.)

Responding

My soul cries out (SJ 124)

Sharing and Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Steven Lantz

Sending

I want to walk as a child of the light (SJ 95)

Benediction

* **Sylvia Shirk**, daughter of Erica Shirk, came to faith as a young person at New Holland Mennonite Church. She now lives in Brooklyn, NY, where she works part time as conference minister with ACC, and is also a court interpreter of French and Haitian Creole. She has three adult children and four grandchildren who live in Illinois and Oregon.

Coffee/Close: Ruth Carrasco; **Greeters:** Anna Mae & Bob Weaver
Praise Team: Jenn Esbenshade; Dawn Kaczor; Seth Lantz, Steven Lantz, Tammy Snader; **Sound:** Wade Esbenshade
Usher: Riley Snader; **Nursery:** Sue Martin & Kyla Morales

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

December 30: 51 • **Offering:** \$3,435

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Total deficit for 2018: \$295

ELC owes: \$0 • **NHMC portion of deficit:** \$295

HEATING & COOLING BILLS & DONATIONS TO DATE

Total needed: \$64,090 • Money already in capital fund: \$12,375

Total amount raised so far: \$49,501

Total amount needing to be raised: \$2,214

GARDEN DONATIONS TO DATE

Total needed: \$6,000

Everence Grant: \$1,500 • Total amount raised so far: \$2,875

Total amount needing to be raised: \$1,625

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January 11: Darryl Jackson

January 12: June Diffenderfer & Riley Snader

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

January 13: George & Joan Brubaker

Upcoming Events

(All events held at church unless otherwise indicated)

- Jan 9** Sewing Circle: 8 a.m.—noon
Jan 12 Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m., Squireside Cafe
Jan 13 Sermon: Dawn Ranck-Hower
Jan 18 Women's Luncheon: 11:30 a.m., Yoder's Restaurant
Jan 20 Sermon: Dawn Ranck-Hower

Save-the-Date

(All events held at church unless otherwise indicated)

- Feb 10** Fellowship Meal followed by Congregational Meeting
Feb 24 Annual Membership Covenant Worship Service followed by a Fellowship Meal

NEXT SUNDAY: January 13

Coffee/Close: Judy Nguyen; **Worship Leader:** Bryan Hower

Greeters: Laurence King & Tammy Snader

Pianist: Glenda Gingrich; **Song Leader:** Charles Longenecker

Congregational Prayer: Lois Zimmerman

Children's Time: Ruth Carrasco

Sound: Judy Nguyen; **Usher:** Anna Mae Weaver

Nursery: Evelyn Bailey & Karina Morales

Church News

Vacation: Pastor Dawn and Bryan are in Florida until this evening, January 6, attending their nephew's wedding.

A Moment in the Neighborhood: We have invited leaders from the New Holland community to share briefly with us answering three questions: What are the joys of New Holland? What are the challenges of New Holland? How can we pray for you?

- ♦ **Jan 13:** Dick Fulcher, Town Manager
- ♦ **Jan 20:** Jonathan Heisse, District Judge
- ♦ **Jan 27:** Tim Bender, mayor
- ♦ **Feb 3:** Jeff Starr, Principal, New Holland Elementary School
- ♦ **Feb 10:** William Leighty, New Holland Chief of Police
- ♦ **Feb 17:** Amy Marburger, Food & Nutrition Manager

Community News

Stewardship University: Saturday, **March 2, 2019**, Calvary Church, 1051 Landis Valley Road, Lancaster. Learn ways your use of the time, talents, money, health and relationships God has given you can enhance and deepen your faith - and make a positive difference in the world! Single session fee: \$19, full day fee: \$39 with discounts for group and early registration before February 11. **Contact Ruth Carrasco to sign up for group rates.** Details: everence.com/stewardship-university-2019

Pastor: Dawn Ranck-Hower; dawn.ranck@verizon.net; 1/215/237-1485

Leadership Team Chair: Wade Esbenshade

Leadership Team: Steven Lantz, Lois Zimmerman

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A nursery is available for children ages 4 and younger.