

December 11, 2016 • Volume 61 No. 50 Worship: 10:30 a.m.

ELC Christmas Program

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Dec. 14 - Bob A. Martin, Dec. 16 - John Sauder

LAST SUNDAY - December 4, 2016 Attendance: 41

NEXT SUNDAY - December 18

Coffee House: Judy Nguyen; **Worship Leader:** Karina Morales **Song Leader:** Jenn Esbenshade; **Sound:** Wade Esbenshade

Greeters: Jim & Evelyn Bailey **Nursery:** Judy Nguyen & Evelyne Bailey **Usher:** Tim Martin; **Closing:** Tim Martin

UPCOMING EVENTS

(All events held at church unless otherwise indicated)

- **Dec 21** Early Morning Prayer, 6:30 a.m. Junior/Senior Youth at Groffdale Mennonite 7:00 p.m.
- **Dec 25** Christmas Worship Service, 9:30-10:30 a.m., No Sunday School
- Dec 29 MCC Workday, noon to 7 p.m.
- Jan 1 New Year's Day Worship Service, No Sunday School

News and Information

Financial update: Our yearly income through the middle of November is slightly below what we projected in the annual budget. Although we've been able to reduce expenses in some areas, we are currently running a deficit of around \$7,000.

DUE TODAY: Return form to sign up for Christmas Brunch, New Years Pork & Sauerkraut lunch, etc. Extra bright red forms are on the back table.

Christmas Brunch and Worship: December 25, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Enjoy breakfast together around tables, sing Christmas carols, and hear, once again, the story of God entering this world as a newborn! (Food provided. Donations welcome).

MCC Work Day at New Holland Mennonite Church: **December 29,** 12:00-7:00 p.m. For young and older alike!

Church Cleaning: December 30, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Contact Lois Zimmerman with questions.

New Year's Worship: January 1. 10 a.m. A pork and sauer-kraut lunch will be provided.

Junior Youth Bowling: (With Ridgeview Mennonite Church.) Dutch Lanes, Wednesday, **January 18**. Meet at the church at 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$2, plus money for snacks. RSVP to Dawn by January 15.

Wednesday Evenings on the Ridge: Junior Youth/Youth and Families at Ridgeview Mennonite Church. Wednesday Nights on the Ridge. Dinner: 6-7 p.m. Clubs: 7-8 p.m.

Bus Trip: Ridgeview Mennonite Church is organizing a bus trip to the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History & Culture in Washington D.C. for Saturday, **January 14**, 2017. A 10:15 a.m. timed entrance ticket will be provided for the Museum of African American History and Culture. The cost is \$50 / person. The bus will leave Ridgeview parking lot at 7 a.m. and return at 8 p.m.. There are six tickets available. Contact Jill Heine at bobjill91@gmail.com.

Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church Views Racism: Drew Hart, **January 8**, 3 p.m. at Ridgeview Mennonite Church.

Save the Date: MWC Global Songfest: Saturday, **January 21, 2017**, 7:00 p.m. Akron Mennonite Church (1311 Diamond Street, Akron, PA). Singing will focus on international music (including songs from MWC Assembly).

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Leadership Team Chair: Robert A. Martin

Elders: Ruth Carrasco, Wade Esbenshade, Robert A. Martin **Church Secretary:** Judy Nguyen; nhmc@frontiernet.net

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