But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength…

Isaiah 40:31

DEEP RUN MENNONITE CHURCH EAST

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"Bringing people in contact with God"

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, with prayer as our foundation, we at DRE envision a community of faith that will glorify God in worship, open our lives to our community, and share our gifts and resources in faithfulness to Jesus Christ.

First Sunday of Advent

Worship Service – 9:00 a.m.

Gathering

Pre-service Music — Carol Palermo

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming - arr. Cox
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus - arr. Gardner
And the Glory of the Lord (from "Messiah") - arr. Smith
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel - arr. Smith

Lighting of the Advent Candle — Linda & Kiana Kolva

Praising God

Congregational Song — Cleon Hackman
"O Come, O Come, Immanuel" HWB# 172 (v. 1, 3, 4)

Call to Worship — Phil Nyce

Congregational Singing "Come, thou Long-Expected Jesus" HWB# 178
"Bless'd be the God of Israel" HWB# 174

Children's Time — Visit from the Magi
Joel Kempf, Rich Leatherman, Duane Bishop

Giving to God

Offering/Offertory — Carol Palermo

Sing We Now of Christmas - arr. Massoud

(Guests, please fill out the welcome card and place in the offering.)

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Luke 21:25-36 — Joseph Dise
(Page 563 & 746 of the pew bible)

Sermon: *"The Days Are A Comin'"* — Ken Burkholder

Responding to God's Word

Song of Response: "Christ is Coming! Let Creation" HWB# 295

Congregational Sharing Time and Prayer

Sending

Benediction

Sending Song: "O Come, O Come, Immanuel" HWB# 172 (v. 1, 6)

Guests! - *We are glad to have you here for worship today. We trust that you will encounter God's presence, as you worship with us. Please know you are welcome to worship with us again!*

Nursery attendants: **Today** – Renee & Kimberly Rice
Next week – Nancy Rice & Justin Burkholder

Greeters: **Today** – Louise Moyer, Rhonda Moyer, Dale & Janet Ruster
Joe & Char Myers
Next week– Steve & Ruth Swartley, Dalton & Mae Kulp
Howard & Dolores Bryan

Prayer room (*between the worship service and Sunday school)*:
Today – Duane Bishop **Next week** – Janet Ruster

Sunday school Hour – 10:15
Classes for all ages – Nursery through adult

The **season of Advent** is a time of waiting, watching, and preparing ourselves for the coming of Christ. Our advent theme this year, utilizing resources from Mennonite Church USA, is *Flood of Mercy*.

Next week Pastor Ken Burkholder will be preaching the sermon title, "*Come to the River*," on the scripture text, Luke 3:1-6 . The Children's Christmas Program, "*The Baby Born in a Stable*," will follow after the worship service at 10:00 am. All are welcome to enjoy coffee and refreshments in the fellowship hall following the program.

Today, December 2nd Leadership Board representative, **Wendy Leatherman**, will be in the downstairs preschool classroom between the service and Sunday school hour to speak with anyone wishing to discuss questions, concerns, or dreams for DRE.

Thank you church family for remembering me during my recent hospitalization. *Nevin Moyer*

The congregation is invited to send birthday cards for **Anna Gilmore**. Her birthday is December 10th.

They can be mailed to:
Greenleaf Nursing Home
Anna Gilmore, Room# 49
400 S. Main Street
Doylestown, PA 18901

We welcome our new church treasurer, **Tim Burkhardt.** Any treasurer related items can be placed in the treasurer mailbox or you may reach Tim through email at treasurer@dre.org. To request a check for reimbursement, please fill out a check request form at the church office.

Missing Black zipper fleece jacket. The jacket was mistakenly taken two weeks ago. It is an "*XL - Weather Wear*." Your black fleece jacket is still hanging up in the sanctuary vestibule area. Please bring the jacket to the church office so it can be returned to its owner. Thank you!

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Last Sunday

Attendance: 201 Sunday school: 144

Offering: Budget Receipts $ 5,033.50 E-tithing Offering: $1,240.00

Total Budget Offering: $ 6,273.50

Thanksgiving Offering: $2,901.75 Attendance: 128

Primary SS: $16.00 MAMA Trip – $200.00

Call to worship

Leader: Lift up your souls,
lift them up to God, who is worthy of your trust.

People: Our God is a God of salvation;
on this one we wait.

Leader: God instructs us how to go,
leading us in right ways.

People: Our God is a God of salvation;
on this one we wait.

Leader: All God's paths are steadfast love and
faithfulness; God's promises are sure.

All: Yes! Our God is a God of salvation;
on this one we wait.