

# Toledo Mennonite Church

January 10, 2010

9:30 a.m.

Worship Leader: Amy Bennett      Song Leaders: Maureen Loutit/Music Team

## CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy, and peace so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.*

### PRELUDE

--Patty Schmucker

### GATHERING

Opening Hymn #100 – “Praise Him, Praise Him”  
Call to worship  
Prayer  
Welcome to visitors  
+ Share the “peace”  
Sharing & Corporate Prayer

### PRAISING GOD

“Santo, santo, santo” (HWB #400)  
“Shout to the north”  
“How can I keep from singing”  
“How can we be silent” (SJ #61 – vs. 1, 2, 3)

### PROCLAIMING AND HEARING GOD'S WORD

Moment in Mission      --Matthew & Katie Lehnert  
Hymn #398 – “I love to tell the story”  
Scripture – Isaiah 43:1-7; Matthew 2:1-12      --Alice Schmucker  
Sermon      --Walt Morton  
“Late Arrival to Christmas”

### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response #544 – “When we walk with the Lord”  
Offering

### SENDING FORTH

Announcements  
+ Pastoral Search Committee      --Doug Schmucker  
Closing Song #421 (vs. 1, 3, 5, 6) – “Bless'd be the tie that binds”  
Benediction

## WELCOME, VISITORS!

- ❖ We are glad you joined us for worship today.
- ❖ We invite you back to future worship services with a Sunday School – study and discussion – hour that follows.
- ❖ Call our office for questions you have about our church ... information you may want about our services, education, ministries, and opportunities to serve ... or any way we can serve you.
- ❖ Amplification devices are available for the hearing impaired. Contact the sound technician if you would like to use one.

## TODDLER CARE

PARENTS/INFANTS NURSERY (unstaffed) adjacent to sanctuary  
TODDLER CARE – up to age 4  
Room 102 during worship (staffed by Brittany Taylor)  
TODDLER CARE – up to age 2  
Room 102 during Sunday School

### 10:45 a.m. – **FELLOWSHIP BREAK**

Prior to Sunday School, please help yourself to coffee or tea in the fellowship hall and greet each other.

### 11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. – **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

The following classes are available for adults, youth and children:

#### Adults

➤ Room 204 – *Covenant Communities* – led by Steve Elzinga

#### Young Adult & Career

➤ Conference Room – *Jesus Matters* – led by Doug Schmucker

#### A.S.K.

➤ Room 202 – led by Stefani Hathaway

#### Grade 6 – Grade 8

➤ Room 203 – Karen Kruzel

#### Grade 4 – Grade 5

➤ Room 104 – Joel Nofziger

#### Kindergarten – Grade 3

➤ Room 103 – Carol Nofziger

#### Preschool

➤ Room 101 – Genelle Taylor

OUR MISSION IS:

- To know and love Christ
- To be a caring family of God
- To minister to a needy world

**TODAY AT TOLEDO MENNONITE**

**5:30 p.m. – Bible Study**

Marty Daly will lead the group in this continuing study of God’s word. All are welcome!

**THIS WEEK AT TOLEDO MENNONITE**

Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. – Church Council meeting

Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. – Worship Committee meeting

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. – Prayer meeting

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. – Elders’ meeting

**COMING EVENTS**

Sunday, January 17, 12:00 p.m. – Baby shower for Ben & Patti Taylor (see announcement)

Sunday, January 17, 5:00 p.m. – Hymn sing at Doug & Patty Schmucker’s home (see announcement)

Sunday, January 24 – Second congregational meeting regarding visioning (see announcement)

Friday, February 5 – Sunday, February 7 – Mennonite Arts Weekend in Cincinnati, Ohio



**TMC Announcements**

- ✧ The congregational meeting scheduled for this evening has been postponed. The next meeting is tentatively set for Sunday evening January 24<sup>th</sup>.
- ✧ There will be a baby shower for Ben & Patti Taylor and their daughter, Gillian next Sunday, January 17 immediately following the Sunday School hour at noon. There will be a light lunch provided for those attending the shower. Both men and women are invited.
- ✧ The Pastoral Search Committee needs your help. The group feels strongly that the entire process needs to be covered in prayer. The committee is looking for individuals who would commit to praying on a regular basis. A schedule will be put together so that every day of the week someone will be praying for both the committee and the process. In addition, the committee would appreciate each member of this prayer team committing to pray on the day of their meetings. Karen Kruzel has agreed to coordinate this prayer team. Please contact Karen if you have interest.

- ✧ **“THANK YOU** to whoever gave me the generous gift at Christmas. It is so appreciated.” --John Taylor
- ✧ A letter from the Bartsch family was sent out by email and placed in your mailbox if you do not have email. A copy is on the bulletin board.
- ✧ Library news: Our librarians are working very hard to keep the library current and exciting. Therefore they have gone through and taken out many different books. These books are for sale. Stop by and check it out. Please put your donation in the place provided. Thank you.
- ✧ Are you looking for something to do on a cold winter night? Come to Doug & Patty Schmucker’s house, on Sunday evening, January 17<sup>th</sup> for a hymn sing. Bring your requests, your singing voice and come prepared to praise the Lord. Also, bring a snack to share.
- ✧ **“THANK YOU** so much for the generous gift that you gave me this Christmas. I am humbled and grateful that I can use the gifts that God has given me in a job that I enjoy. I appreciate each of you and thank you for the ways that you encourage and support me. May you receive a blessing in return for your thoughtfulness.” --Patty Schmucker
- ✧ Your help is needed to furnish health kits again this year. Health kits are often presented to children living in refugee camps, who do not have access to hygiene supplies. Some are given to women in rural education centers to encourage health care. Bags will be handed out this week. Please fill them with the specific contents listed and return by Sunday, January 31. Take as many bags as you wish, but be sure to fill and return all you take. Thank you.



**Contents:**

- 1 toothbrush (leave in wrapper)
- 1 squeeze-tube toothpaste (6-7 oz in box)
- 1 bar of soap (4-5 oz. in wrapper)
- 1 fingernail clipper
- 1 hand towel bright or dark color

- ✧ The Feed Your Neighbor center at Epiphany Lutheran Church expresses its appreciation for the contribution of food from Toledo Mennonite which helped to serve 328 people this past month.

**WEEKLY UPDATE**

○ ATTENDANCE	70
○ OFFERING UPDATE	
Operating Budget for 2009/2010	\$ 159,927.00
Required Receipts per Sunday	\$3,075.52
Receipts for Operating Fund	\$2,325.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00
Total Budget Receipts to Date	\$57,944.85
Required Budget Receipts to Date	\$55,359.36
Over/(Under) Budget to Date	\$2,585.49



**LIBRARY NEWS**

- ☞ Christmas collections (by Max Lucado) – This is a collection of three stories: *The Angel's Story, The Christmas Candle, and The Christmas Child.*
- ☞ Shadows of Lancaster County (by Mindy Sterns Clark) – Annie bailey thought she left the tragedies of the past behind when she took on a new identity and moved from Pennsylvania to California. But now her brother has vanished and his wife is crying out for help. Annie knows she has to come out of hiding and go find him.



**Happy Birthday to:**

- Jason Hoag - Today
- Paul Hodel - Today
- Jodie Steiner - Monday
- Elise Elzinga - Tuesday
- George Troyer - Tuesday
- Kathryn Rex - Saturday

**Lectionary Readings**

This week – Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17;  
 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22  
Next week – Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10;  
 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST**

- ... for healing for Michael Ann Feldkircher
- ... for courage and strength for Joe Roman to do what he needs to do
- ... for those in bondage to addiction
- ... for TMC Tutoring as it begins the second semester; pray for Karen Kruzel as the director and Scott Coulter as the head tutor
- ... for Jon Hoag's sister, Amy and her husband Dave as they welcome two new little ones to their lives
- ... for the Rodriguez family in the loss of a beloved sister/aunt
- ... praise God for the gift of family
- ... for Jane Friesen as she begins chemotherapy treatment
- ... for anti-racism training

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- Usher: Karen Kruzel

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