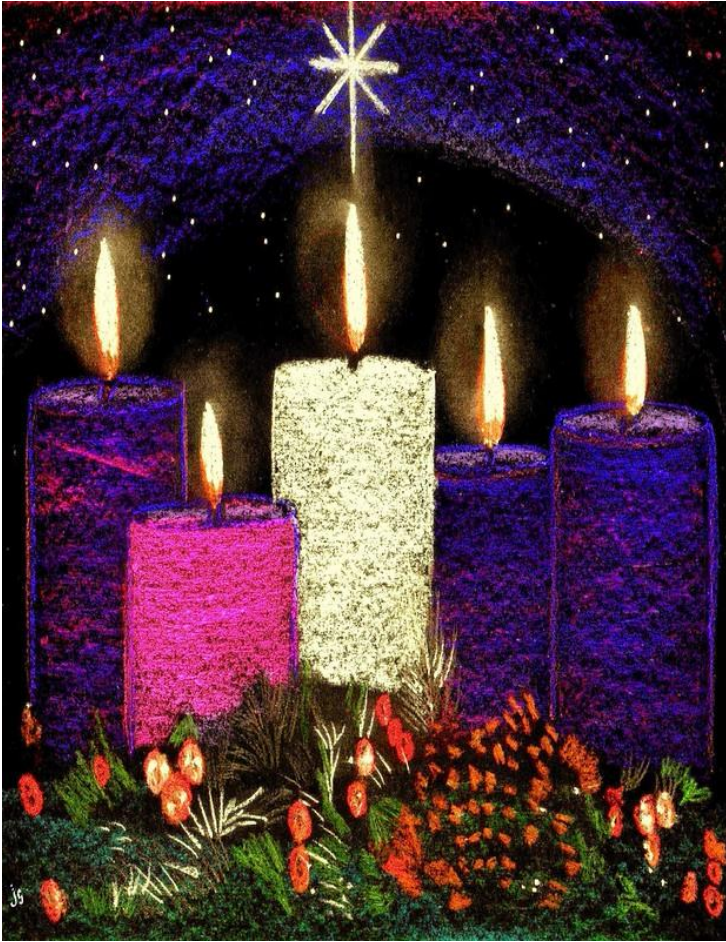


# Be Amazed!

## Christmas Sunday



*John Stuart, [www.stushieart.com](http://www.stushieart.com)*

## God Among Us

# Waterford Mennonite Church

December 28, 2025

Pre-service Christmas Carols	Nick Stoltzfus, Deanna Beth Chupp
<i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>	VT 247
<i>It Came Upon a Midnight Clear</i>	VT 248
<i>O Beautiful Star</i>	VT 275
<i>Still, Still, Still</i>	VT 264

Gathering songs	
<i>To Us a Child of Hope Is Born</i>	VT 259
<i>Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord</i>	VT 219

Welcome & Call to Worship	Loanne Harms
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Introductory Scripture John 1:29-34

Lighting the Jesus Candle for Advent	
Song	<i>Come, Hope of the World</i>

Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>
(Gifts are for Mennonite Ed unless designated otherwise)	

Children's time	Rosanna Kauffmann
Song	<i>"God, Give Me Faith like a Child" (v.3)</i> VT 519

Scripture	John 1:14-23
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Sermon	<i>"Like a Persistent Pigeon"</i> Cindy Voth
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Song of Response	<i>What Child Is This</i> VT 267
	<i>Helpless and Hungry</i> VT 268

Congregational Prayer	Deron Bergstresser
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Benediction

Sending Song	<i>Joy to the World</i> VT 240
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VT = Voices Together; SJ = *Sing the Journey*; SS = *Sing the Story*

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We light the peace lamp every Sunday to lament all unnecessary and violent loss of life around the world.

## Prayers

*Wilmer Hollinger*, who celebrates his 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday on Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, for God's grace and joy to be poured out on him. Join in his celebration by signing a card for him at the table in the foyer.

Although 2025 is ending with much suffering and violence in our communities and around the world, join Mennonite Mission Network in praying that we will not tire of proclaiming our hope in Jesus, who has overcome evil and injustice. May we continue to "be the Gospel" wherever we find ourselves.

*Hudson Lake Mennonite Church* request prayers for our members who face increasing limitations that come with aging.

*Thank you to Loanne Harms, Kathy Miller, and Mark Daniels for creating the different elements of our worship visuals for this Advent Season and for decorating the sanctuary.*

## Welcome Guests

We are glad to have you join us in worship today. Children of all ages are welcome in worship. There are sermon boards for children outside the sanctuary doors; please pick one up as you enter. If desired, there is a nursery available in the west end of the foyer for infants and toddlers. Large print copies of the hymnal and hearing aid systems are available from the ushers. We invite you to stay for our Nurture Hour.

**Our Mission Statement**

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we  
***Welcome** everyone to faith and fellowship in Jesus Christ,  
Minister to the needs of one another and our neighbors through the  
Holy Spirit, and  
Call out each other’s gifts for the joyful work of  
God’s reconciling mission.*

We celebrate that everyone is created in God’s image, and as followers of Jesus we welcome people of every age, ability, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, marital status, socio-economic situation, gender identity, and citizenship status as full participants in the life of our congregation.

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