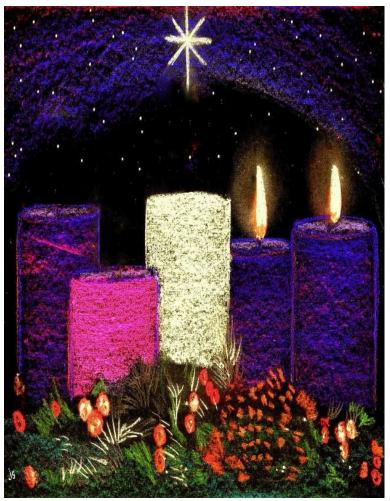
# **Be Amazed!**Second Sunday of Advent



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## Peace in the Valley of Bones

### Waterford Mennonite Church

December 7, 2025

Prelude Ruthie Saunders

Gathering songs Colleen Stoltzfus

Could It Be That God Is Singing VT 42
Rain Down VT 703

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Introductory Scripture Rod Hollinger-Janzen

Welcome & Call to Worship

Song Holy Spirit, Come with Power VT 57

Offering Please pass the friendship pads

(Gifts are for Operating fund unless designated otherwise)

Children's time Erin Smeltzer

God, Give Me Faith like a Child (v.1) VT 519

Lighting the Advent Candle

Song Come, Hope of the World

Scripture Ezekiel 37:1-14

Sermon "Meet Me at the Bone Pile" Deron Bergstresser

Song of Response The Peace of the Earth VT 838

Pastoral Prayer

Benediction

Sending song The Lord Lift You Up VT 832

VT = Voices Together; SJ = Sing the Journey; SS = Sing the Story

<sup>\*</sup>We light the peace lamp every Sunday to lament all unnecessary and violent loss of life around the world.

#### **Prayers**

We remember this week our Wee Wonder students *Maeve Weaver Martens*, *Lydia Maust* and *Lucas Smeltzer*, and their teachers *Denise Diener* and *Amanda Stoltzfus*.

Joseph and Rachel Givens and their two sons, who are serving with Mennonite Mission Network, are on the front lines of ministry to people fleeing persecution and death. Pray that the Givens will receive the spiritual and financial resources they need to continue sharing Christ's love through food and shelter at the Maria Skobtsova House, in Calais, France.

For the 60 people who will be attending the "To Build Our Courage" training on Saturday, here at WMC.

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

#### **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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