



Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship

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Sunday After Christmas: O the Mystery of God's Dwelling in our Distress!

Inviting the Mystery

Prelude: *A time to quiet your spirit in preparation for worship*

Songs: *Oh, how joyfully* blue, 209

O come, all ye faithful blue, 212

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Worship

Leader: Come before the one made perfect in suffering.

People: *Let us awake to the birth of our Savior,*

Leader: the one who calls us brothers and sisters,

People: *the one who helps in times of testing!*

Leader: The pioneer of our salvation goes before us:

All: *O, the mystery of God's dwelling in our distress!*

Song: *Joyful is the dark* blue, 233

Engaging the Mystery

Dramatic Reading Lois & John Mast, Lexi Bentley & Sayde Rosario

Scripture: Isaiah 63:7-9 Melba & Pete Graber

Confession and Enjoying the Light of the Advent Candles

Leader: In our distress, the Advent candles remind us of God's steadfast love.

People: *In this light, we celebrate forgiveness.*

In his love and pity, Jesus redeems us.

Song: *Will the children?* insert

Children's Time Mark Yoder

In your sickness, your sufferings, your trials and pains, God is with you all the time. Persecution, temptation and loneliness, God is with you all the time.

Scripture: Matthew 2:13-23

Silence

Song: *Hope is a candle* purple, 15

Celebrating the Mystery

Sermon: *Outfoxing the King* Dan Schrock

Offering

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Song: *Come! Walk in the light*

Benediction

Leader: Let us proclaim the mystery!

People: *Christ is born*

All: *that the house of the Lord may be filled!*

purple, 10

Transition to Fellowship, Christian Education, and Mission

Welcome and Introduction of Visitors

(Please pass the friendship registers)

Announcements

Closing Prayer

Please join us for coffee and tea in the fellowship hall.

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Sherm Kauffman

Song Leader: Jenny Hooley

Accompanist: Emily Grimes

Prelude/Offertory: Deb Brubaker

Congregational Prayer: Dan Schrock

Nursery: Deb & Dan Williams

Ushers: Bob and Lorraine Pflederer

AV Operator: Matthew Williams

Visuals: Lana Smucker

Childcare is available during worship for infants & toddlers (Ages 0-3).

Nurture Hour

There is no Sunday School today. Please enjoy a time of fellowship after the service.

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