



Sunday, December 3, 2017

*Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious thoughts.
Point out anything in me that offends you,
& lead me along the path of everlasting life.
Psalm 139: 23-24*

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Advent Sunday Worship Service

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If you are visiting with us today, we want you to know we are glad you're here. Please join us in the room next to the foyer for refreshments following the service.

MORNING WORSHIP

Children will remain in the sanctuary during the service.

Pre-Service Scripture: Romans 5:2-5

Welcome and Announcements

Worship in Song: "Emmanuel" - #243

The Advent Candle of Hope

Who Were The Prophets?

Lighting of the Prophet's Candle of Hope by Wayne and Jeanie Moore

Worship in Song: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" - #245

Choir: "Advent Carol of Hope"

Worship in Song: "Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming" - #255

Our Tithes & Offerings

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture: Isaiah 9: 1-7

Message: Hearing the Prophets

Worship in Song: "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus" - #244

Communion

Worship in Song: "Ancient Words"

Prayer & Benediction

*Clip Boards with activity sheets are available
in the foyer for children during the service.*

There is NO Junior Choir practice after church today.

Following the service, if you would like to receive prayer for any matter, Jane and Bob Shipley will be at the front of the sanctuary, beside the baptistery, and will gladly pray with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

*Please join us next Sunday after the **cantata** for a Christmas Potluck. A sign up sheet is at the Welcome Centre.*

Our Daily Breads have arrived!

Offering envelopes: Please notify the office if you do not presently have personal offering envelopes and would like a set for the new year.

Infant/toddler Volunteers – If you would consider helping with this ministry please contact Barb in the office. There would not be a schedule, just a list of people that would help when necessary on the Sundays they are here.

Silver Circle 50+ will meet Wednesday, December 13, at 11:30 am. for devotions and Christmas carols followed by a luncheon at noon. A donation for lunch has been prepaid by the theatre goers in the ticket price. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Centre for anyone who wishes to join us for lunch but is not attending the theatre. Following lunch, tickets will be distributed and car pools will be organized to depart for the Dunfield Theatre in downtown Galt for the 2pm show of “Beauty and the Beast.”

Copies of Pastor Mark’s Consultant’s Report (phase 1), on the current status of Avenue Road Baptist Church, are available in the foyer, as well as the 2018 Budget Details.

Phone numbers for Bruce and Sally Leckie:

Sally: 1-519-372-5351

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This Week at Avenue Road

Mon.	Dec. 4,	1:00 pm.	Sewing in Action
Tues.	Dec. 5,	9:30 am.	Ladies Take-a-Break
Wed.	Dec. 6,	7:00 pm.	Prayer Night
Thurs.	Dec. 7,	6:30 p.m.	Junior Choir Practice
Thurs.	Dec. 7,	7:00 pm.	Youth Group
Thurs.	Dec. 7,	7:15 pm.	Adult Choir

Local Missions:

Mitten Tree - Donations of new items such as hats, mittens and socks would be appreciated. Contact person: Linda Moore 519-623-6324. Items will be donated to our local Salvation Army.

The Bridges Homeless Shelter Residents - We are also collecting warm items for the shelter. There is a wrapped box in the foyer for these donations. Please donate all items by the end of the month.

Usher’s & Greeters Training: If you missed the first training session, there will be a 1 hour session for you held on Tuesday, December 12, at 7 pm. There will be a new schedule for trained volunteers posted for January. Thank you to everyone for your participation in this vital ministry.

Property and Facility Concerns/Suggestions can be addressed by filling out a form located in the far right mail box.

Cambridge Christian School will be presenting, Searching for Jesus: The Christmas Story, on Tuesday, December 12, at 7 PM, Forward Church, 455 Myers Road, Cambridge. Everyone is invited to join them in celebrating Christ's birth through music and drama. A free will offering will be received. For more information please contact 519-623-2261 or info@cambridgechristianschool.com.

Prayer Corner: Please continue to pray for Jim Kropf, recovering at home, and for Pastor Mark, his brother Karl, and their family. Pray for healing for Shirley Lewis recovering from surgery and for Paul Ramcharitar having his second operation.



Ministry Schedule for December 10

Door Greeters: Bob and Sarah Bruce

Prayer Time: Derek and June Patton

“You begin to receive the gift of wholeness when you tell the truth of your brokenness.” Ann Voskamp