

**A Hint of Things to Come**  
Luke 2:22-40



**OFFICE SCHEDULE:**

**Pastor (Mel):**

- Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

**Secretary (Ellen):**

- Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

Sunday, January 17, 6:00 p.m. Congregational Listening Meeting  
4F (Food, Faith, Family, Fellowship) Nights  
January 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17 (snow date February 24)  
February 5-7, MYF Retreat at the Geiser Cabin  
March 5-6, Marriage Retreat



**LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD, January 3, 2010**

Attendance: SS - 116; Worship - 151  
Offering: Budget: \$2,971.10  
CCS Tuition: \$1,420.00  
Mutual Caring Fund: \$4.17

**CCS Tuition:**

- Needed each month (2009-2010 school year): \$13,996.00
- Short for December 15 payment: \$1,010.79
- Needed for January 15: \$13,996.00

*\*\*If you are interested in being a part of a small group, please contact the church office.\*\**

**Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation**

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Matt Hamsher, Mutual Caring Fund Alice Metcalf, Care Groups



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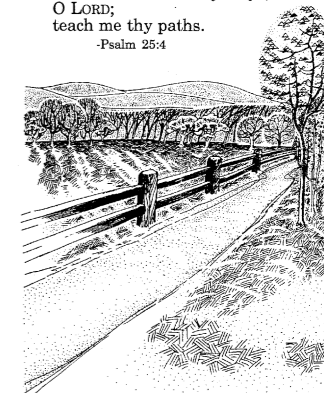


A special welcome to our guests. Our praise to our creator will be more joyful because you are worshipping with us. Please register in the guest book in the foyer.

**8:45 AM Prayer Time**  
**9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL**

*Classes for all ages,  
Nursery through adult.  
Everyone is welcome!*

Make me to know thy ways,  
O LORD;  
teach me thy paths.  
-Psalm 25:4



**10:30 AM WORSHIP**  
**WE GATHER**

Prelude

**WE PRAISE GOD**

♫ *O Worship the Lord* WB 124  
Welcome Greeting/Call to Worship  
♫ *Bless'd Be the God of Israel* WB 174  
♫ *The Lord Is My Light* SJ 97

Offertory

Congregational Sharing/Prayer for the People

**WE LISTEN**

Children's Story  
♫ *Lord, I Am Fondly, Earnestly* WB 514  
Scripture: Luke 2:22-40  
Message: *A Hint of Things to Come*

**WE RESPOND**

♫ *Jesus, Priceless Treasure* WB 595  
4F Presentation  
Benediction  
♫ Sending Song: *God Be With You* WB 430

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Prelude/Offertory: Dave Ross                      Digital Arts: Todd Zuercher  
Song Leader: Martha Coleman                      Sound & Lights: Steve Zuercher  
Worship Leader: Rita Miller                        Host/Greeter: Evelyn Amstutz  
Children's Story: Keith Sommerfeld            Nursery: Marleen Reinhardt  
Message: Mel Hathaway                            Pastoral Team Greeter: Eileen Lehman  
Altar Arrangements: Lorene Amstutz  
Ushers: Ron Geiser, Mike & Mim Lehman, Mark Johnston, Lloyd Miller  
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### Today's Activities

**2:30 PM Wayne County Quiz Meet** here at Sonnenberg. Scripture passage: 1 Corinthians, chapters 7-9. Everyone is welcome. See *Sojourns* for information about our team.

## THE CHURCH THIS WEEK

### Monday

7:00 p.m. **Library Team**

### Tuesday

7:00 p.m. **Youth/Young Adult Ministry**

### Wednesday

8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. **SMW Sewing.** Women with last names beginning with M-Z should bring salads and desserts for the noon meal. The January offering will be taken for the support of the Dalton Main Street Café.

**4F Nights Begin** (See announcement)

5:00 p.m. Walking Exercise Group

5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal

6:00 p.m. Classes

### Thursday

7:00 p.m. **Congregational Leadership Team**

### Friday

7:00 p.m. **Praise & Prayer** at Kauffman's

### Saturday

6:30 a.m. **Men's Breakfast** at Main Street Café. Chet Miller-Eshleman (pastor) and Joel Lehman from LifeBridge Community Church in Dover will be sharing.

### NEXT SUNDAY

**8:45 AM Prayer Time**

**9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**10:30 AM WORSHIP** - *Come and See*, John 1:29-42, by Pastor Mel Hathaway

**2:30 PM Wayne County Quiz Meet:** 1 Corinthians 10-11

**6:00 PM Congregational Listening Meeting**

### Next Sunday, continued

Nursery: Eileen Lehman and Emilie Raber  
Altar Arrangement: Jeanette Miller  
Pastoral Team Greeter: Don Nussbaum  
Host/Greeter: Maynard Thomas and Bill Morrison  
Ushers: Steve & Delo Gerber, Steve & Goldie Yoder, Dave Ross

### **GOD BLESS OUR SENIOR SAINTS!**

**Happy 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary to Lester/Irene Steiner, Friday, January 15**

**Happy 76<sup>th</sup> birthday to Belvia Hann, Saturday, January 16**

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN OUR PRAYERS:

**CONTINUE TO REMEMBER:** *Iva Geiser, is taking oral cancer medication; Lois Berry and Anna Knutson are continuing with maintenance chemotherapy treatments.*

**THOSE IN MISSION:** *Linda Horn, Interlink, Thailand; José & Alfonsina Oyanguren, Argentine Chaco; Friends of the Tabasaran Ministry, Dagestan, Russia; Joel & Ruth Miller, Dayspring Outreach Ministries, Mexico; Nic & Sonya Stice, Missions Network Center, Elm Springs, AR; Kurt, Angie & Micah Neuenschwander, Samaritan's Purse, Nairobi, Kenya; Bill & Corrine Helmuth serving with MDS in Ramona, California; Gordon Amstutz, serving on staff for the 2010 Mount Vernon Nazarene University bike trip from San Francisco to Phoenix, through January 30.*

**OUR YOUNG ADULTS:** *Shawna Gerber, teaching at the Global English School in Bangkok, Thailand.*

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**THANK YOU** to everyone for the many expressions of love and caring shared with us throughout the Christmas season.

—Pastor Mel & Dottie Hathaway

**WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY** to Ed & Joyce Taylor in the death of Ed's father, Evan Taylor, of Dalton on Thursday, December 31. Services were held at Pleasant View Mennonite Church on Wednesday morning, January 6. May God grant the family comfort in the loss of their loved one.

**CONGREGATIONAL LISTENING MEETING** will be held next Sunday evening, January 17, 6:00 p.m. The evening will include voting on a recommendation to renovate the foyer. Additional agenda items will include looking to the future regarding capital planning and/or the possibility of hiring a youth/associate pastor. Children's activities will be provided. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

**JANUARY MISSION EMPHASIS** is for us to develop a habit to spend time in prayer for our people who are doing a special service or mission for a given period of time.

For example, **Ada Amstutz**, who is reaching out to extended family. This month **Gordon Amstutz** is traveling with bikers from Mount Vernon Nazarene University. Pray for safety as well as opportunities for Gordie to share God's love with these students. Also, this month **Bill and Corrine Helmuth** are in southern California doing MDS work. Again, pray for safety in travel and in their work, that they may make many meaningful contacts.

Every week we will list persons who would benefit from your prayers. Do something that will remind you to pray. Let's care for each other in this way. You will make a difference! —Outreach & Service Ministry

**VALET SERVICE**, coordinated by Facilities Ministry, is available for our seniors on Sunday mornings during times of inclement weather. Drive your car under the carport and someone will be available to park your car for you.

**AN INSTRUCTION CLASS** working toward baptism will be held for our youth beginning January 17, meeting during Sunday School for 8-10 weeks. Pastor Mel will be leading the class using the book, God's Story, My Story, by Michelle Hershberger. Other young persons who might be interested in participating in this class should contact Mel.

**4F 2010 ~ Welcome to the Table** ~ Today is the last day to sign up for 4F classes, January 13 through February 17. \*\*All children and youth who plan to participate should also sign up.\*\* Come for an evening of good food and warm fellowship, with wholesome opportunities for building relationships through conversation, learning, fun and service. A hot, simple meal will be served beginning at 5:45 p.m. Donations will be accepted to cover food costs. Classes will meet from 7:00-8:00 p.m. You are also welcome to join with the walking-exercise group at 5:00 p.m. each evening.

### 4F Class locations are as follows:

- *How To—Developing Better Computer Skills:* Central Christian School computer lab
- *Jewels of Friendship* Quilting and Piecing: Fellowship Hall
- *Mind, Heart and Hands:* Rooms S-1/S-2
- *Organic Singing Sessions:* Sanctuary
- *Proverbs: Wisdom for Today:* Conference Room/S-5
- *Ready, Set...PLAY!:* Foyer