
SERMON NOTES

FAITH TALK

Luke 1:57–80: “Zechariah and Elizabeth”

Here are some ways to nurture faith at home based on this week’s story. For pre-school children, use the “For families” page in the Early Childhood leaflet.

- (1) Read Luke 1:76–79. Share ideas about what the way of peace looks like.
- (2) Look at family pictures and talk about the joy that surrounded each child’s arrival.
- (3) To whom has God shown mercy in your neighborhood?

Did you know? Whose parents both had nine letters in their names? <John the Baptist’s (Elizabeth and Zechariah)>

Prayer for the week *God, help us to hear whispers of your love in our family conversations. Amen.*

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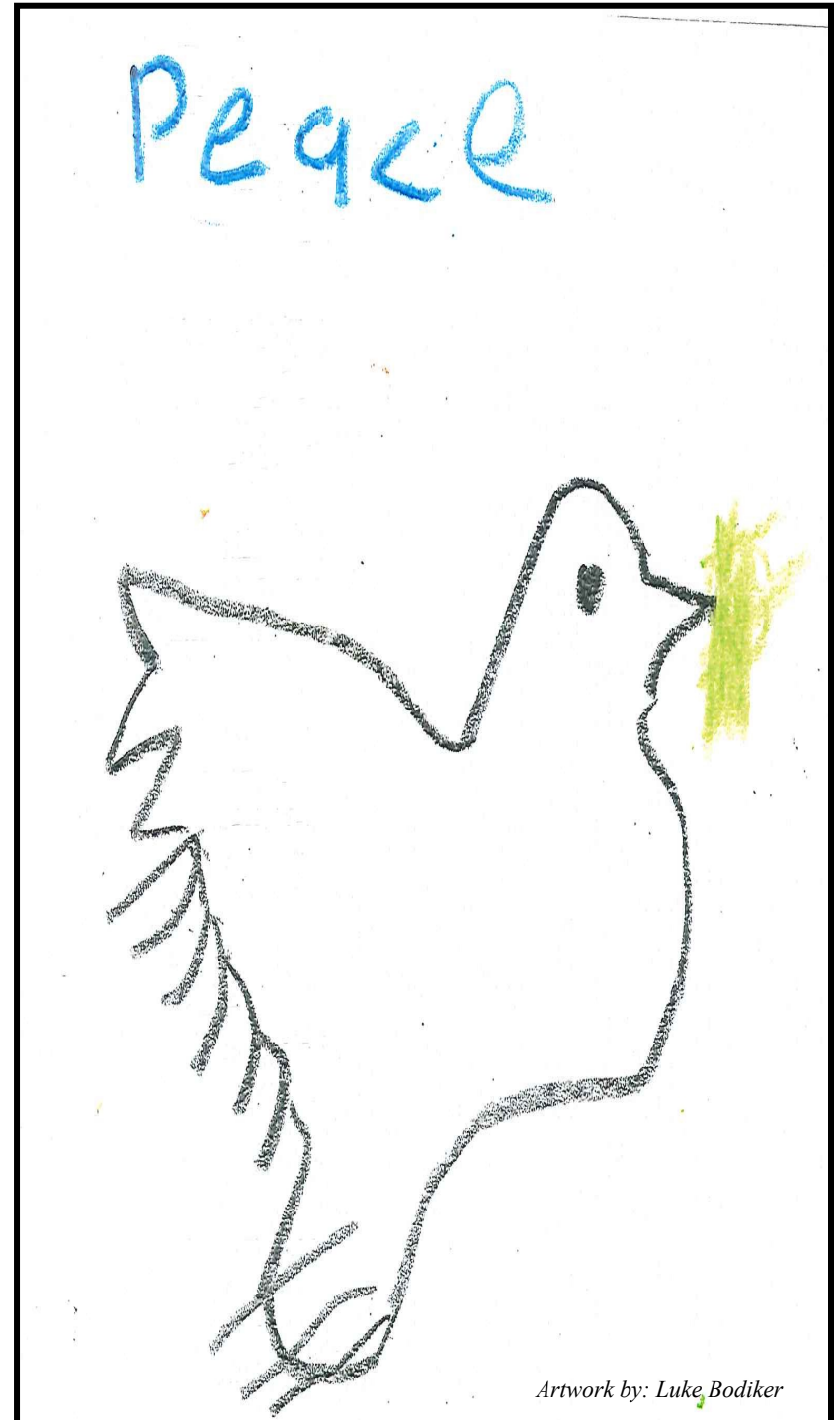
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BERLIN Mennonite Church

Rooted in Jesus. Growing in Faith. Branching out in Love.

Sunday School: 9 am

Worship: 10 am

December 9, 2018

PEACE

On this second Sunday of Advent, we listen with open hearts to the one who proclaims God's goodness embodied in the Messiah. By listening, we learn what we can do to prepare ourselves to live in right relationships as embodied in Jesus' life and message.

Gathering of God's People...

Opening Song:
"Glory"

Welcome
Announcements
Call to Worship/Invocation

Praising God's Name . . .

HWB 176: "Comfort, comfort O My People"
HWB 178: "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"
Philippians 1:3-11
"On Christ the Solid Rock I stand"

Offering Ourselves and our Gifts

Hearing God's word...

Children's Story: Peace
Scripture: Luke 3:1-6

Message: Preparing for the Gospel of Peace

Responding...

"It is Well"

Benediction

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Sermon: Jeff Hochstetler *Worship Leader:* Ernie Hershberger
Song Leader: Shelly Miller *Offertory:* Youth Ensemble
Usher: Wes Maxwell *Children's Story:* Zak & Shawna Boyd
Audio & Visual: Seth Cady/Tony Yoder *Power Point:* Suzanne Kalman

Today Greeters: Hank & Carol Raber
Nursery This Sunday: Kelsey Hostetler and Sheila Mullet
Greeter Next Week: Jr & Lois Schlabach
Nursery Next Week: Jill Basinger & Lindsay/Michael Stutzman

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

Worship: 173 Sunday School: 91

General Fund: \$14,139.00 Marriage for Life \$6,000 Alms: \$500.00
MMN/Mongolia \$50.00 Cesar Education Fund \$3,375.00
MYF \$100.00 College Student Aid Fund: \$1,500.00

Health Needs: Lorene Maxwell, Dave Miller, Geri Morgan, Norm Shank, Ivan Stutzman, and Susan Sullivan.

Walnut Hills Nursing Home Residents: Dean Hummel, Eileen Stutzman, Ivan Stutzman, Katie Wengerd, Joe Yoder, and Mary Ann Kandel.

Pray for our Mission Partners: MMN: Laura Schlabach, Tonya Starner, Gary & Martine Wittig; MAF: Rod & Valerie Hochstetler; RAM – Nicaraguan families.

Families in Focus: Please pray specifically this week for: Mark & Amy Schlabach and family; Myron & Linda Schlabach and family.

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure unit in Jackson, Mississippi includes Gabe Graham, Alexa Rathscheck, Jakob Seiferth, and leaders Cynthia and Roger Neufeld Smith. Pray for them as they worship with the Open Door Mennonite congregation, and as they volunteer with a community soup kitchen and a transition home.

If you have a prayer concern or need, you are encouraged to contact Walt Morton, Jeff Hochstetler, or one of the Elder Team either after worship or during the week. Elder Team members are: Carol Gerber, Becky Kandel, Ralph King, Leon Miller, Michael Stutzman and Vaughn Troyer.