

New to CHMF? Have a Question or Prayer Request?

If you are curious about being involved with Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship, have a question, or want to submit a prayer request - please use this form via the QR code or link - bit.ly/3ti4Xfb



Our **website** has more information about our faith and worship, as well as the text of previous sermons:
chapelhillmennonite.org

Please direct all other questions to chmf@chapelhillmennonite.org.

Membership and Church Practices:

If you are interested in membership at Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship, or if you have questions about church practices such as communion, baptism and reconciliation, please talk with our pastor or one of our deacons:

Ben Kreider, Pastor 316-281-5244 ben@chapelhillmennonite.com
Catherine Lee, Children & Youth Pastor catherine@chapelhillmennonite.org

Thomas Lehman
Nick Plummer
Rebecca Rich
Kathy Roberts

Benevolence Fund: Our congregation has a mutual aid fund, administered by the deacons, to help with financial hardships. If you have a need, including for individual or family therapy services, please get in touch with a deacon. Personal requests are kept confidential.

Tithes and Offerings: We collect our offerings on the first Sunday of the month. After that, checks may be mailed to our treasurer, Steve Jolley.

CHMF supports:

- Open Table Ministries (opentableministry.org) in Durham
- Interfaith Council (IFCWeb.org) in Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship

December 10, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent



Sermon: Benjamin Rudeen Kreider
Worship Leader: Sidney King
Song Leader: Sarah Marks
Childcare: Aspen Yordy, Kathy Roberts

Gathering for Worship

Call to Worship (from Psalm 85)

L: People of God, open your hearts and minds!

C: Listen carefully to what God is saying.

L: For God comes to us today speaking peace,
offering life to all who will accept it.

C: Let us honor God with our hearts and lives.

All: Let us worship God together!

Invocation

Lighting of the Second Advent Candle Edens family

Gathering hymns Sarah Marks

#252 "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

#210 "O Come, O Come, Immanuel"

Congregational Prayer Catherine Lee

Children's Story Catherine Lee

Proclaiming the Word

Isaiah 40:1-11

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13 Daniel & Serena Welch

****#223 "Blessed Be the God of Israel"**

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Mark 1:1-8

Sermon "Wilderness Preparations" Ben Kreider

Responding to the Word

#278 A Voice Was Heard in Ramah

Congregational response, sharing and prayer. Catherine Lee

Introductions and Announcements

#247 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

Benediction

*** Children who have not yet started kindergarten are welcome to meet at the entrance doors for childcare at this time.*

Next Week

Scriptures

Potluck/Communion

Lead: Aspen Yordy Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Hymns: Xaris A. Martínez Psalm 126

Prayer: Tom Lehman 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Sharing: Rebecca Rich John 1:6-8, 19-28

Preach: Ben Kreider

Childcare: Tana Liu-Beers, Seth Morgan

Snacks: Jolley Vander-Linde

Announcements

This fall, CHMF Sunday School will focus on the story of the Bible—the big picture. Sunday school will be held **every Sunday at 4pm—for all ages, kids and adults**. We're calling it "The Bible Timeline Project," creating a timeline together to help us visualize and understand the story of God's people in history. Each week will be a little different, but we'll have arts and crafts (for grown-ups too!), singing, games, and discussion. Bring your curiosity and your questions.

Calendar

Dec 19 - Mennonite Day of Action for a Ceasefire - details TBA.

Dec 24 - 5:30pm - joint Christmas Eve service with Church of Reconciliation, time TBD

Participate: CHMF encourages any regular attendee to participate in the service. We have rotating worship planners, song leaders, preachers, prayer leaders, response/sharing leaders, scripture readers, and childcare volunteers. If you are interested in helping, sign up on the Worship Participant List or tell Pastor Ben. We would welcome your help.