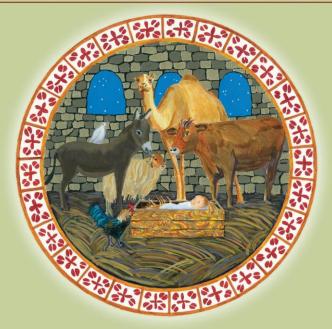
Christmas Eve

Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church December 24, 2022 ~ 7:00 pm

CHRISTMAS STABLE

The Animals Tell Their Stories



By Kimbery K. Funk Illustrated by Kimberly Rempel

Christmas Eve Service

Prelude Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming ~Burkhardt Marcia Brubaker Still, Still, Still ~Cherwien; Angels We Have Heard ~Burkhardt Oh, Come, Little Children ~Burkhardt; O Holy Night ~Uehliein

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing ~Hobby

Welcome Pastor Caleb Yoder

Song Away in a Manger (VT 257) 2-Year-Olds & Congregation

SongLittle Baby Jesus3-Year-Olds, 4-Year-Olds,PoemWe're Going to Baby Jesusand Kindergarten

*Congregational Carol Singing Joy to the World VT 240

O Little Town of Bethlehem VT 245

Sharing Time with Children Lynel Unrau

*Congregational Carol Singing The First Noel VT 250 Nun Ist Sie Erschienen SWJ 30

Nun ist sie Erschienen is a traditional favorite Christmas hymn in this congregation. It harkens back from when there were one-room school houses in the area and each school had an annual Christmas Eve program. This German hymn was often sung at the program by everyone

in attendance. We continue this tradition. You are welcome to sing the hymn in English or German.

Scripture Reading Luke 2:1-20 1st-4th Grades

Christmas at the Stable The Animals Tell Their Stories By Kimberly K. Funk

Adapted by Travis Duerksen; Directed by Kevin and Bonnie Gaeddert

Song The Friendly Beasts 1st-8th Grades

The Donkey's Story: John Fast

The Cow's Story: Nathaniel Schmucker

The Dove's Story: Darla Banman
The Rooster's Story: Megan Duerksen
The Sheep's Story: Jim Schmidt
The Camel's Story: Delbert Peters
Nativity Characters: Junior High Youth

Candle Lighting Service

John 1:1-5, 9, 14 Pastor Caleb Congregational Song Silent Night, Holy Night VT 244

Benediction Pastor Lois Harder

Postlude Joy to the World ~Uehlein Marcia Brubaker

*All who are able are invited to stand

VT - Voices Together Hymnal (purple) SWJ - Sing With Joy (red)

Please leave the candles and candle holders in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary or in the lobbies as you leave.

All children through the 8th grade are invited to the Fellowship Hall for a Christmas sack after the service.

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2-Year-Olds: Savannah Hein, Elliot Hiebert, Wyatt Hiebert, Nolan Miller,

Myles Unruh

3-Year-Olds: Logan Unrau, Josiah Yoder

4-Year-Olds: Kennedy Esau, Emmett Miller, Lillian Unruh, Greyson Voth **Kindergarten:** Ariana Flores, Ellie Unrau, Lillian Voth, Austin Yoder

1st Grade: Braxton Church, Allyssa Hein, Jack Maley

2nd Grade: Celia Peters

3rd Grade: Amilea Hartvickson, Rebecca Hein, Paige Webber

4th Grade: Aubree Flores, Gage Maley, Noah O'Neill

Junior High Youth (5th - 8th Grades)

Mary: Jayley Schmidt Joseph: Eli Gaeddert

Townsperson: Grace Meier

Innkeeper: Lilly Mai Shepherd: Jaxson Hein Star: Myra Peters

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Angel: Bella O'Neill

Wisemen: Delaney Duerksen, Rosie Gaeddert, Grace Meier

Animal Figures: Emily Tyler

Assisting Children's Sunday School & Midweek Teachers:

Janice (Funk) Voth, Susan Nafziger, Alma Unrau, Sandy Duerksen, Maryanne Esau, Alyssa Burkholder, Justine Unruh, Kyle Unruh, Chrystiana Miller, Aileen Esau, Emmalyn Schroeder, Kevin Gaeddert, Bonnie Gaeddert Organist: Marcia Brubaker

Guitarists: Kevin Gaeddert, Kyle Unruh

Song Leader: Kyle Unruh

Sound: Steve Unruh & DeAlan Unrau Technology: Caiden Duerksen, Delton Voth

Lighting: Travis Duerksen

Greeters: Jim & Mary Schmidt, Jeremy & Maggie Schroeder

Christmas Eve Program Committee: Travis Duerksen, Aileen Esau, Bonnie

Gaeddert, Kevin Gaeddert, Nicole Hein, Susan Nafziger

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright round yon virgin mother

and child!

Holy infant, so tender and mild.

sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace. Silent night, holy night!

Shepherds quake at the sight:

alories stream

from heaven afar. heav'nly hosts sing, "Alleluia!

Christ the Savior is born. Christ the Savior is born!"

We invite you to join us for the Christmas Day Service 10:15 am Organ Prelude 10:30 am Worship

We wish everyone a blessed and joyful Christmas Day!

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. 1304 K-15 Hwy, Box 8 Goessel Kansas 67053 Office: (620) 367-8192 amc@alexanderwohl.org www.alexanderwohl.org

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