



Roanoke Mennonite Church

Seeking and extending God's healing, hope, and reconciliation

ADVENT 5-THE LORD IS OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

DECEMBER 30, 2018

Focus Thoughts: *On the first Sunday after Christmas we proclaim God's love revealed in the Son, the Word made flesh, who brings together all creation in him. In Christ's birth and life we come to understand righteousness as God's love for all creation, a love in which we are called to participate.*

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Gathering Song *What child is this* H 215

Call to Worship

The Word has become flesh; God now walks among us!

Through Jesus, God is fully made known.

*All creation is renewed, experiencing the grace and truth of God,
through the birth and life of Jesus.*

And all who believe are the children of God; brought together to experience the unity of the whole human race.

All: Praise be to God for the abundant love and shalom we now experience!

WE PRAISE THE RISEN CHRIST

Worship with Song *Oh for a thousand tongues employ* H 110
Good Christian friend, rejoice H 210
Helpless and Hungry SS 26

Sharing of Tithes and Offerings

Doxology

Children's Moment

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

Scripture Luke 2:41-52 & Colossians 3:12-17

Message Love Revealed

WE RECEIVE GOD'S GRACE

Song of Response *Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah* H 50

Confession and Assurance

Sharing and Prayer *Please respond when prompted by the Worship Leader "Lord, hear our prayer."*

WE GO OUT IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Sending Words

Sending Song *My soul cries out* SS 124

Go in peace!

Serving this week:

Worship Leader-*Alice Kennell*

Chorister-*Ali Fuller*

Musicians-*Jolene Miller, piano; Marge Ulrich, Zandra Miller, flute*

Message- *Pastor Bryan Miller*

Children's Church-*Abby Reel*

Scripture Reader-*Mary Kennell*

Video-*Claire Miller; Audio - Jim Thompson*

Nursery Care--*Unstaffed today*

Bulletin Art-*Carolyn Reel*

Praise:

*Jo & Whitey safely in Japan

Prayer:

*Bob & Karen - Tucson for SOOP

*RUMC pastoral transition

*Many family and friends traveling

*Roger & Mary - adjusting to sale of farm

*Paperwork for Charlotte to travel from PNG to US

*Connie Dennison

Congregations to pray for this week:

Secor Church of Christ

Secor United Methodist Church

Crosspoint Community Church, Eureka

REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun., Dec 30 Discipling Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Mon., Dec 31 Women's Book Discussion, 9 a.m.

Tue., Jan 01 Office Closed, *Happy New Year*

Sun., Jan 06 My Coins Count; Nursery-*Wyse-Fishers*; Fellowship Meal

Our Purpose - Roanoke Mennonite Church is committed to following Jesus Christ in our daily living. As a member of the Mennonite Church USA, we support each other in worship, nurture each other through fellowship, and share God's love and peace in our communities and beyond.

Our Vision- Roanoke Mennonite Church strives daily to be a vital congregation by:

Encountering God in fresh ways; being transformed by the mystery of God's presence

Nurturing healthy relationships; using spiritual gifts and common fellowship to build up the body of Jesus Christ

Joyously sharing ourselves and our resources so God's healing and hope flow through us to our community and world

Report for December 23, 2018

Budget	\$ 1,005.00
Online Giving	\$ 190.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 500.00
Total	\$ 1,695.00

Stewardship Attendance -59

Report for December 24, 2018

Donation for Eureka & Roanoke Food Pantries	\$ 500.00
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