

“Worship Reflections” (Notes, Drawings, Questions, etc.)

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Worship Bulletin Submission

Please submit bulletin items to Tonya by **Wednesday evening 8:00 p.m.**

Please check our bulletin board for upcoming events and brochures.

ABERDEEN CHURCH

Sunday, December 29, 2013

Weekly Worship at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages following the service

Welcome to Aberdeen!

**Our worship is a response to God's call to repentance and faith
Seeking to live in harmony with God's will
Extending our service and witness in the name of Jesus Christ
59 years in North End Winnipeg**

First Sunday After Christmas: December 29, 2013

O, the mystery of God's dwelling – In our distress

*In God's mysterious ways, the assurance of salvation made perfect through the suffering of God's servant, the experience of evil does not undermine faith, and the violence we have known and perpetuated is overcome by God's emerging kingdom. So let us proclaim the mystery that fills the house of the Lord – **Christ is born!***

Inviting the Mystery

Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Congregational Singing

STS# 32 Beautiful star of Bethlehem

STS# 19 Jesus, Jesus –

Oh what a wonderful child

Engaging the Mystery

Dramatic Reading

Isaiah 63:7 – 9, Psalm 148

Lighting of the Christmas candle

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:13 – 23

Silence

Congregational Sharing

Congregational Singing

STS# 26 What child is this

HWB# 198 Let our gladness have no end

Celebrating the Mystery

Sermon

“The Mystery of God's Purpose”

Ron Penner

Offering

Congregational Responses

Congregational Song

HWB# 208 Love came down

Benediction

Worship Leader: Ruth Penner

Song Leader: Mo Klippenstein

Pianist: Deb Schiedel Lapp

HWB – Blue “Hymnal”, STJ – green “Sing the Journey”, STS – purple “Sing the Story”

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- **Aberdeen Food Pantry** – The Food Pantry meets next on Jan 11th and 25th
- **January 12** – S.S. Resumes: Ron P will lead adults in a survey and discussion from MWC.
- **January 19th** – Congregational Meeting following the service
- **January 24 – 26th** – AMC Youth retreat at Camp Assiniboia
- **January 26th** – AMC Church retreat at Camp Assiniboia

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Sunnie is away this Sunday
- Tonya Rempel has resigned as secretary for Aberdeen Church as of Dec 31, 2013. We wish her all the best as she pursues other endeavors. May God continue to bless you on your journey Tonya! Thank you!!

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Please remember the following families in your prayers as they will be missing a loved one this first Christmas:
 - Brad, Lindsay and Allison
 - Jim, Deb and family

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION:

- **Jan 18 & 25, 9:30am – 1:00pm, Eden Mental Health is offering a workshop, “Making sense of aggression”, Mennonite Heritage Village, Steinbach - a 2 day course for parents and professionals, based on Dr. Gordon Neufeld's attachment theory. Fee is \$40/person. Register at www.edenhealthcare.ca (counselling/recovery of hope/workshops).**
- **CMU Winter semester courses** offer opportunities to build on personal learning and professional career goals. For members of the community who want to study a course of personal or professional interest, view course offerings online at www.cmu.ca

ADVENT

Christmas 1 - Dec 29

Epiphany – Jan 6



Coffee for next week Jan 5 Randy and Charlotte
Upcoming Coffee for Jan 12 Mak and Sokong

Matthew 2:13 – 23

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'Out of Egypt I have called my son.'

When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:

'A voice was heard in Ramah,
wailing and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.'

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled,

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