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December 3, 2017

First Deaf Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Worship Leader – Nelson Gehman
Song Leader – Bobbi Caley
Message – Chuck Snyder
Interpreter – Nancy Snyder
Greeters/Ushers – Jan Hoffer

First Deaf Church Life Activities Calendar

Dec. 3 – Annual First Deaf Inc. Business meeting – 12:00 noon
Dec. 6 - Bible Study at Elizabeth Rohrer's apt 6:30 pm (Weather permitting)
Dec. 10 – Christmas Breakfast 8:30 am / Program – 10:00 am (combined with WH).
Dec. 17, 24, 31 – Pastor Chuck Snyder will preach/share during First Deaf worship.
Dec. 20 - Bible Study at Elizabeth Rohrer's apt 6:30 pm (Weather permitting)
Dec. 31 – Fellowship meal at noon for New Year's Eve. (See signup sheet for food)
Jan. 3 and 17 – Bible study at Elizabeth Rohrer's apt. 6:30 pm. (weather permitting)
Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28 – Pastor Chuck will preach/share during First Deaf worship.

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE – November 26

Offerings/General Fund

First Deaf \$ 152.00
Witmer Heights \$3,339.68
S.S. Offering \$ 4.85

Attendance/Worship

First Deaf – 26
Witmer Heights –105

~ **Submit** bulletin items by Wednesday to: mennobulletin@gmail.com or call the editor. Editor for the **December 10** bulletin will be **Esther Mast**

Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

Dec. 3 – Annual First Deaf Inc. business meeting – 12:00 noon.
Dec. 10 – Christmas Breakfast- 8:30 am / Program – 10:00 (combined with FD).
Dec. 10 – Christmas caroling. 6:15 pm. Bring cookies and fresh fruit for snacks.
Jan. 10 – Community Night – Care packages and card-making for college students.

PLEASE NOTE: During advent, please give any sharing time praise or prayer requests to the worship leader in advance, and they will be mentioned in congregational prayer. Mim Wert is worship leader for December 3. Thank you.

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Witmer Heights Worship - 10:40 a.m.

Advent Theme: “Yes, Let it Be”

Focus Statement: We awaken to God's purpose, which begins in darkness... whether seed in the ground, child in the womb, or new self in the soul. We are shaking, fearful, and resistant, yet we call upon God to tear open the heavens and be present with us in our uncertainty.

Gathering

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Chime & Silence
Call to Worship
Light Advent Candles

Praising

Songs
Offering

Hearing

Children's Story
Scripture – Mark 13:24-37
“Awake in the Darkness of Night”

Responding

Responding Song
Confession
Words of Assurance
Congregational prayer
Drama

Sending

Sending song
Benediction

Worship Service Participants

Prelude/Offertory: Gladys Landis **Song Leader:** Shelby Swartley
Worship Leader: Mim Wert **Preacher:** Randy Keener
Children's Time: Eileen Ranck **Drama:** Bruce and Lane Plourde
Offering Attendants: Mike and Angie Conrad
Greeters: Jim and Phyllis Oswald