#### FIRST DEAF MENNONITE CHURCH, INC.

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WITMER HEIGHTS Pastor: Steve Musselman Church Chair: Neil Reinford E-mail: whmcpastor@gmail.com website: www.whmchurch.org

January 8, 2023

### First Deaf Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Worship Leader – Nelson Gehman **Song Leader** – Phyllis Gehman Message – Chuck Snyder Communion **Interpreter** – Nancy Snyder Greeter/Usher -Mike Hurst

#### First Deaf Church Life Activities Calendar

Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 – Chuck Snyder will preach/share during FD worship.

Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 – Sunday school hour at 10:45 am.

Jan. 11, 18, 25 – Bible study on Zoom at 7:00 pm. Zoom opens at 6:30 pm.

Jan. 20 – Deaf Game Nigt at church – 6:00 pm. . Watch for email with details.

Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22 – Bible study on Zoom at 7 pm. (Open 6:30) Get link from Henry D.

Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 – Chuck Snyder will preach/share during FD worship.

Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 – S.S. hour at 10:45 am.

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**Interim Pastor: Chuck Snyder** 

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Church Chair: Debra Hoffer

Feb. 5 – Fellowship meal at noon (details later.)

Feb. 9 – First Deaf Leadership Team meeging at church 4:30 pm. (Pizza will be provided. Bring own drink.)

Feb. 21 – First Deaf Inc. Board meeting at church – 6:30 pm.

#### WITMER HEIGHTS NEWS

- ~January 8 context question: Where, beyond your community, do you see God's restoration taking place? How can you spotlight it and give thanks?
- ~On Sunday, January 15, Nelson and June Shenk will share their testimony and experiences in ministry. They will also be received into membership at Witmer Hghts.
- ~Pastor Steve will be at Eastern Mennonite Seminary's School of Leadership Training this week. The theme is "Creating communities of belonging for all people regardless of physical disabilities, medical conditions, or developmental differences."
- ~Sunday, January 29, will be covenant renewal Sunday.

# **OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE – January 1**

Offerings/General Fund First Deaf \$1,975.00 Witmer Heights \$2,489.00 Attendance/Worship

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# January 8, 2023

# Witmer Heights Worship – 10:40 a.m.\

Advent Theme: Restoration is Near

**Focus Statement:** God's restoration is for the whole world. Through God's grace, we are merely a small part of the richness of God's works.

### We Gather to Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Focus Statement

Call to Worship

Singing together

Offering Blessing

#### We Listen for God's Voice

Scripture: Ephesians 3:1-12

Reflections: "The Manifold Wisdom of God Be Made Known"

# We Respond to God

**Baptism** Communion Song of Response

#### **God Sends Us Out**

Benediction

\*Place offerings in box on table in back of sanctuary.

**NOTE:** There is no children's story time today so that children can be part of the baptism service. The Advent children's story will wrap up next Sun., Jan. 15.

# **Worship Service Participants**

**Prelude**: Tricia Stoltzfus **Song Leader**: Shane Miller Worship Leader: Pastor Steve Reflections: Pastor Steve **Greeters:** Don and Judy Stoltzfus

### Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

- Jan. 8 Sunday school resumes again today at 9:45.
- Jan. 8 Sean Swartley Baptism today as well as sharing communion together.
- Jan. 8 Fellowship meal today. Everyone welcome.
- Jan. 10 Prayer meeting in church fellowship hall 8:30-9:30 am.
- Jan. 15 Nelson and June Shenk will share and be received as members of WHMC,