Chicago Community
Mennonite Church

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December 20, 2015 ✢ Fourth Sunday of Advent

Gathering

Prelude

Call to Worship

One: We come seeking Jesus, the Light of the world!

**All: Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus!**

One: We believe in the strength of God

 to illuminate dark places.

**All: The light shines in the darkness,**

 **and the darkness shall not overcome it.**

One: Lord, in this hour of worship, kindle in us

 the light of your love.

**All: Let your light shine through us, now and forever.**

STS 1 *Praise the One who breaks the darkness*

Welcome

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Prayer for Peace

Praising

STS 7 *Come, Come Emmanuel*

Children’s Time

*Let the children come to me; let the children come.*

*Never hinder them; never stop them. O let the children come.*

Advent Candle Lighting

STS 4 *Rejoice, rejoice the Savior comes*

Receiving God’s Word

Genesis 1:1-2

John 1:1-20

Colossians 1:15-23

Ephesians 1:1-14

 One: For the word of God in scripture,
for the word of God among us,
for the word of God within us,

 **All: thanks be to God.**

STS 15 *Hope is a candle*

Meditation

Responding

HWB 188 *Sleepers, wake*

Sharing

Prayer

Offering

Sending

Announcements

STS 10 *Come, walk in the light*

Benediction

Extinguishing the Peace Lamp

One: Now the light of Christ is in you.

 **All: Thanks be to God.**

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| Worship Participants Worship Leader: Benjamin Anderson Meditation: Tim Peebles Song Leader: Mariell Waltner Pianist: Kiva Nice-Webb Altar: Brooke Hutchison |

Announcements

**Adult Education: CCMC History Part 2:** We will reconvene to reflect more on our past has shaped our present.  Everyone, regardless of how long you have attended, is welcome to participate.  Your presence has played a role in shaping our community.

**Longest Night Service, Monday, Dec. 21, 6:30 p.m.:** Come for a contemplative worship service marking the coming of winter and honoring some of the loss associated with the Christmas season.

**India Mission Fund:** Contributions are still being accepted toward Samita Pal’s nursing school tuition for 2015-16. Please consider helping to make advanced education and a future career of service attainable for this young Indian woman. Checks can be made out to Chicago Community Mennonite Church with “India Mission Fund” on the memo line.

**Pastoral Care Needs:** In this time of transition, you can share prayer and care concerns with any member of the Prayer and Care Team (Nancy, Rochelle, Derek, Ross, Jan, Tim). If you believe that a particular prayer and care concern requires direct pastoral care, please indicate that when you speak with one of the team members, or contact Pastor Tim directly (pastor@ccmcil.org).

Schedule

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|  | **Today** | **Next Sunday** |
| **Greeter:** | Justin Hochstetler | Antonia Kam |
| **Nursery:** | Linda BeckerJanet Friesen | Brian PaffJoel Peters-Fransen |
| **Fellowship:** | Justin Riegsecker | Jan Lugibihl |

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**CCMC Connect Card**

**We are glad you have joined us for worship!** The best way to plug into our congregation is to sign up for our listserv. Bring this card to the Welcome Table in the fellowship hall following worship to receive a welcome gift.
You may also drop it in the offering plate or the basket on the greeter table.

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Add to CCMC listserv to get connected via email? □ Yes □ No, not yet.



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