## Welcome to Holyrood Mennonite Church **Holyrood Mennonite Church** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2022, Worship Service ~ 10:30 am Church address: 9505 - 79 Street NW, Phone: 780-466-3277 Email: office@holyrood.mcab.ca **GATHERING: Prelude** Website: http://holyroodmennonitechurch.ca --Welcome Interim Pastors: Suzanne Gross and Joon Park --Call to Worship: Cell: 780-700 4667 Email: pastor@holyrood.mcab.ca --Gathering song: We Come --Opening praver **Candle-lightening liturgy** Leader: Watch! You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. People: The night is far gone, the day is near. Song: O Come O Come, Immanuel verse 1 and 6 Candle Lighting: Divine and Grace 1<sup>st</sup> Advent Litany PRAISING GOD Lord I lift your name on High RESTORATION Receive my praise O Lord Comfort, Comfort, O My People (HWB 176/ VT212) • Offering Song: What shall I render to my God (for His goodness to me) To send Offering via E-transfer: holyroodmchurch@gmail.com Children's Feature: Helena Chokpelleh Speaker: **Pastor Suzanne HEARING THE WORD** Worship Leader: Pastor Joon Scripture Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14 Music: Holyrood Intercultural Team: Amie, Deborah, Esther, Gizzie, Grace, Josh, Lisa, Shim **Message:** Wake up! Hope is on the way to help us mend our world! Children's feature: Helena C Hymn of Response: Come Light of the World (STS 3) Sharing/Intercessory Prayer/Announcement Our Vision: BENEDICTION Training Apprentices of Jesus to share God's abundant hospitality with Sending Hymn: Gloria #204 HWB people of all ages and cultures through the power of the spirit.

## Announcements

Budget meeting downstairs, immediately after Sunday's service. Soup is provided.

Tuesday, November 29, Elders meeting - in person at the church, 7:00 PM

Saturday, December 17, 3:00 PM at the church: Christmas Eve Pageant practice for children, youth and young adults ages 2 to 25

Check out the MCAlberta website to enjoy the virtual Advent Calendar. Our very own Tarnisha is featured as the voice reading scripture for one of the days. <a href="http://www.mcab.ca">www.mcab.ca</a>

In our prayers:

Our E3 Prayer: As we prepare to celebrate your advent we ask you to bless us with hope, peace, love and joy

Pray for Bible Missionary Church and Anabaptist Church Myanmar. Praise God that MC Canada Witness has been able to send support for these ministries after months of delay and that these congregations continue to minister despite economic hardship and risk of violence. Pray for the churches in Chin State as violence increases.

Pray for safe olive harvest in Palestine. Suzanne Gross of our Alberta PIN sent this prayer early this month, when her husband Asher departed for Palestine to accompany olive farmers during their harvest time.

Our God of justice and love for all, we pray for the volunteers dedicated to protecting our Palestinian brothers and sisters vulnerable to random and unprovoked attacks -- especially during the current olive harvest time. We pray for extremist settlers to have their eyes opened and to see their Palestinian neighbours as full human beings with the right to live, build, and work on the land they have lived on for generations. We pray that those charged with protection—the military and the police, the judicial system—will see all human life as equal in the eyes of God, regardless of culture and language and history. We pray that eyes will be opened to the injustices entrenched in the system of oppression experienced by our Palestinian brothers and sisters, and that your justice and love can reign in this land. Amen