Welcome to

# Rochester Mennonite Church

**December 4, 2016** 

Sunday Morning Worship 9:10 AM

Kurt Kennel, Worship Leader Lois Kennel, Song Leader

Rev. Galen Penner, Pastor

God's harmony is at hand. Come, walk in the way of God's heart.

**GATHERING AND PRAISING** 

**Words of Welcome** 

**Hymn** #49 (STS)

I will come to you in the silence

Call to Worship(bulletin cover)Confessing/Reconciling(bulletin cover)Candle LightingNaomi KennelCongregational Response to the Candle Lighting#3 (STS)

Come. Light of the world

Invocation

**Scripture Reading Scripture Memorization**Isaiah 11:1-10
(bulletin insert)

Luke 1:68-75

**Hymn** #175 (HWB)

O Savior, rend the heavens

**Hymn** #183 (HWB)

On Jordan's banks the Baptist's cry

**SHARING AND PRAYING** 

Joys, Concerns and Announcements

Prayer Hymn #353 (HWB)

Lord, listen to your children praying

The Prayers of the People

### **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

Children's Hvmn #341 (HWB)

Jesus loves me

Children's StoryKim LeichtyScripture ReadingRomans 15:4-13Matthew 3:1-12

Sermon

God's Harmony is at Hand

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD** 

**Hymn** #523 (HWB)

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Offering Ourselves and our Gifts to God

The Offering Hymn #385 (HWB)

What gift can we bring

(vs. 1 and 4)

The Offering Prayer

**Hymn** #211 (HWB)

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming

BLESSING AND SENDING

Benediction

Doxology #119 (HWB)

Praise God from whom

The Rochester Mennonite Church is a congregation that welcomes people to join our community of faith so that they may grow in their personal understanding and relationship with God. Members and guests are appreciatively welcomed to this service of worship.

## **Announcements**

**If you have announcements** to be included in the bulletin, please get them to Galen, preferably with the exact wording you wish to use, not later than Thursday morning. Also please indicate how long you wish to have the announcements included in the bulletin.

**The sign-up** sheet for being a worship leader, song leader, and doing the children's story for the next several months is available. Please sign up as you feel led.

## **Responsibilities for Next Sunday (December 11):**

- Set-up Kurt Kennel Family
- Worship Leader Kurt Kennel
- Song Leader –
- Children's Story –
- Adult Sunday School –

**This first Tuesday of the month,** join Friends of Pastor Max and the conference ministers in fasting and praying that God would make a way for the Max and Gloria Villatoro Family to be reunited.

The Church Council will meet on December 15 at 6 p.m.

A revised version of the Israel-Palestine resolution first brought to delegates at the Mennonite Church USA assembly in 2015 is now available for review. Visit <a href="https://www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/seeking-peace-israel-palestine">www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/seeking-peace-israel-palestine</a> to view the document and provide feedback by Dec. 20.

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## Rochester Mennonite Church

(The Rochester Mennonite Church meets in the chapel of Christ United Methodist Church, located at 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW. The chapel is located in the northeast corner of the building.)

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