

# *Welcome to Providence!*

## *Order of Worship Service*

*Call to Worship - Hebrews 12:1-2*

*Announcements*

*Opening Hymn*

*Greeting of Friends*

*Lighting of the Advent Candle*

*Prayer Requests and Sharing*

*Offering*

*Worship in Singing*

*Worship In Hearing —*

*Sermon: Pastor Eric Miller*

*Series: “Advent: Hope”*

*Title: “Joy in the Waiting”*

*Scripture: Habakkuk 3:1-19*

*Song of Response*

*Closing Prayer*

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*Please join us for Sunday School following  
the Worship Service at 10:45am.*

*We have classes for 3-4 year olds, Preschoolers,  
Elementary, Jr High, High School, Young Adults, & Adults*

*Answers In Genesis:*

*Lesson 144: Jesus’ Authority over Death*

## *This Week’s Activities*

**Sunday:** Youth Christmas Party @ 6pm

**Wednesday:** Nursing Home Singing @ Hillside @9:30 &

Legends @ 10:30.

Youth Group @ 6:30pm

Jr Youth– 6;30 meet at the bowling alley

**Thursday:** MCC Relief Buckets @ 6:00pm

## *Youth Announcements*

December 15 - Youth Christmas Party @ 6pm. Come for an evening of food, games & fellowship! Bring an appetizer/finger food & a white elephant gift for exchange (\$10). Ugly Christmas sweaters/ festive attire are strongly encouraged.

**Junior Youth:** Dec 18th 6:30-8:30 meet @ the bowling alley for bowling & pizza. Bring \$5 to help with the cost.

January 2-4 - Cross Conference in Louisville, KY

January 8 - Spring Semester Bible Study Kickoff @ 6:30pm

## *Dates to Remember*

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service 9:00pm

December 29 - Skating Party @ Jasper Skate Palace

December 31 - New Year’s Eve Party 7-10pm

January 4-5 - Bible Memory Winter Camp

January 11 - Women’s Bible Study @ 8:00am

March 14-15 - Honorable Marriage Retreat

## *Offering Musicians*

December 15: Claire Raber

Jan 5: Yoder Girls

December 22: Yoder Girls

Jan 12: Emma Miller

December 29: Joyce Hawkins

**Anyone that would like to be on the offering schedule for next year please contact Misty @ 812-486-7289**

## *Announcements*

1.) We will be doing the MCC relief Buckets again this year at the church on Thursday Dec. the 19th at 6pm. All ages welcome to help. The buckets will be going to people affected by disaster and conflict in places like Ukraine, Malawi, Zambia and Cuba.

2.) We’re excited to announce that Small Group sign-ups are now available! Joining a Small Group is a wonderful way to grow in faith, build relationships, and support one another in a closer church community. You can sign up on our Providence Church Family Facebook page or by reaching out to one of our elders. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to connect and deepen your walk with others. We look forward to seeing you in a Small Group soon!

3.) Mark your calendars and invite a friend! Providence Skate Party Sunday, Dec. 29, 4:30-6:30pm @Jasper Skate Palace.

4.) Bible Memory Winter Camp will be at Ebenezer Youth Camp on Jan 4-5, 2025. Drop off is at 10:00am on Jan 4th. Grades 2-5 pick up @ 5:00pm on Saturday Jan 4th, and grades 6-8 pick up @ 1:30 Sunday Jan 5th, Register now @ bmm.life

5.) Berea Mennonite Youth are hosting a Rook Tourney January 18th. Mark Your calendars and come out for an enjoyable evening! More details to come.

6.) Night to Shine is February 7, 2025 at Highland Woods Community Center in Vincennes! Night to Shine is an unforgettable prom night experience, centered on God’s love for people with special needs. Please consider volunteering for this amazing event as we need your help! The fees have been waived so it’s FREE! Volunteers must be age 16 or older by 2/7/25. We specifically need lots of buddies! As a buddy escort, you are responsible for accompanying and assisting your assigned guest throughout the evening, providing companionship, and any assistance they may need during the evening. For more information and to sign up, go [nighttoshinewashingtonin.com](http://nighttoshinewashingtonin.com)

7.) In partnership with several area churches, we will again be offering the Honorable Marriage Retreat on March 14th and 15th , 2025. There is a form in your church mailbox with all of the details. If you don’t have a church mailbox, there are forms on the table in the welcome center. If you have any questions please contact Kevin or Amanda.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Church Family**

Paul & Shirley Miller  
Hagen Knepp  
Martha Norris Family  
John Knepp (Peanut)  
Krista Swartzentruber  
Widows and Widowers

Cindy Helderman  
Gwen Graber Family  
Marsha Stoll Family  
Kenny Swartzentruber Family  
Dwight Maust Family

**Extended Family and Friends**

Steve Murphy Family



**Sunday:** Marge Beachy, Jamie Gross,  
Sophia Knepp, Martha Wittmer,  
Gary & Shannon Yoder

**Wednesday:** Brandon & Briona Graber

**Thursday:** Marilyn Graber, Rob Rollins

**Saturday:** Hank Hart, Lori Knepp,  
Justin Yoder

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**Greeter Schedule**

Dec 15: Keith Graber, Marty & Angie Graber  
Dec 22: Vaughn & Sue Graber, Zach & Taylor Graber  
Dec 29: Aaron & Jamie Gross, Ryan Graber  
Jan 5: Jeannie Guinn, Matt & Alison Hart  
Jan 12: Nathan & Brittany Helms. Mike & Tonya Hosford

**Attendance & Offering**

**December 8, 2024**

Attendance: 273  
General Fund: \$8,801.07  
Missions Fund: \$0.00  
Youth Fund: \$0.00  
Burden Bearing: \$0.00

**Year To Date**

General Fund Budget: \$7,107.25  
AVG Gen Fund: \$7,689.17

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**Sermon Notes**

Response

Remembrance

Rejoice

# Providence Mennonite Church

WE MUST KEEP OUR

eyes  
on  
Jesus

HEBREWS 12:2

**December 15, 2024**