

# *Welcome to Providence!*

## *Order of Worship Service*

*Call to Worship - John 16:33*

*Announcements*

*Opening Hymn*

*Greeting of Friends*

*Lighting of the Advent Candle*

*Prayer Requests and Sharing*

*Offering*

*Worship in Singing*

*Worship In Hearing —*

*Sermon: Pastor Kevin Swartzentruber*

*Series: “Advent: Hope”*

*Title: “The Pursuit of Peace”*

*Scripture: Philippians 4:4-9*

*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 143: Jesus Warns Against Judging*

## *This Week's Activities*

**Sunday:** Christmas Lunch after the worship service.

Youth - Christmas Blessing Night @ 6pm

**Wednesday:** Youth Group @ 6:30pm

**Thursday:** No Women's sewing this month!

**Saturday:** Men's Bible Study @ 6:00am

## *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 18 - Nursing Home Singing @ Hillside @9:30 Legends @ 10:30

December 19 - MCC Relief Buckets @ 6:00pm

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service 9:00pm

December 31 - New Year's Eve Party

January 4-5 - Bible Memory Winter Camp

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

March 14-15 - Honorable Marriage Retreat

## *Offering Musicians*

December 8: Emma Miller

December 29: Joyce Hawkins

December 15: Claire Raber

Jan 5: Yoder Girls

December 22: Yoder Girls

Jan 12: Emma Miller

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

## *Announcements*

1.) Volunteers are needed to help package cookies for the Gospel Echos prison ministry Dec 10th @ 3pm until finished at the Kaffee Haus Restaurant in Odon.

2.) Red Cross Blood Drive on Dec 18th 1-6pm in the large fellowship hall here at Providence.

3.) 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!

4.) 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.

5.)\*\* **Attention Youth & Young Adults**\*\* We are looking to take a group to the Cross Conference in Louisville on January 2-4, 2025. This conference is geared towards 18-25 year olds but is also appropriate for mature high school students and those in their late twenties. The main purpose of this event is to call this generation to make their lives count by making Jesus' name known. Speakers include John Piper, Kevin DeYoung, David Platt, & Trip Lee. Worship will be led by Shane & Shane and the Worship Initiative. Cost is \$175. If you are interested, please talk to Zach Graber or Eric Miller. For additional information, please visit [www.crosscon.com](http://www.crosscon.com). Deadline to sign up is Dec 8th, Today!

6.) Women Locking Arms conference on Jan 25,2025 @ Berea Mennonite Church. The speaker this year is Marion Ware, She is a wife and mom. She is passionate about helping others discover their true selves in Christ and experience the amazing healing that comes from His unconditional love. There's nothing more beautiful than seeing lives transformed by His grace, truth, and love! Registration is now open@ [bereamc.com](http://bereamc.com).

**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



**Monday:** Joe & Zetta Lengacher

**Tuesday:** Amber Traylor,  
Rick & Mary Lengacher

**Friday:** Caden Graber,  
Mike & Jeannie Guinn

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**Greeter Schedule**

Dec 8: Galen & Marilyn Graber, Gary & Ada Graber  
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 1, 2024**

Attendance: 250  
General Fund: \$6,823.76  
Missions Fund: \$0.00  
Youth Fund: \$0.00  
Burden Bearing: \$0.00

**Year To Date**

General Fund Budget: \$7,107.25  
AVG Gen Fund: \$7,609.75

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**Sermon Notes**

Symptoms

Solutions

Success

# Providence Mennonite Church

"I HAVE TOLD YOU THESE THINGS, SO  
THAT IN ME YOU MAY HAVE PEACE. IN  
THIS WORLD YOU WILL HAVE TROUBLE.

## But take heart!

I HAVE OVERCOME THE WORLD."

JOHN 16:33

# December 8, 2024