



# FRIENDSHIP MENNONITE CHURCH

*Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ*

December 7, 2008

*Second Sunday of Advent*



*“When we are most vulnerable, God comes to us through a voice offering comfort and direction. We reflect God’s face as we heed the voice that unites righteousness and peace.”*

## Coming to God

- Welcome and Announcements
- Call to Worship
- STS #3: *Come, light of the world*
- Offering

## Learning about God

- Songs of Advent
- Children’s Time: “The comforting face of God”
- Children’s Song: STS #16: *Peace before us*
- Scripture Reading:
- Sermon: “”

## Responding to God

- Song of Response HWB #178: *Come thou long-expected Jesus*
- Congregational Response
- Congregational Prayer
- Closing Song STS #49: *I will come to you in the silence*
- Benediction

**Sermon: Kevin**

*Worship Leader:* Jonathan

*Song Leader:* Rachel

*Greeters:* Isaac & Jean

*Worship Nursery:* Maria

*Sunday School Nursery:* Todd

*Piano:* Rhonda

*Violin:* Rachel

*Usher:* Chris

*Children’s Time:* Rhonda

## Upcoming Events & Meetings

- Thr. Dec. 11 Southgate Group 11:00am  
 Women’s Time Out Christmas Dinner 6:00pm
- Sat. Dec. 13 Elders’ Meeting at Kevin & Nan’s 7:30am
- Sun. Dec. 14 Korean Sunday – meal following worship service
- Tue. Dec. 16 Church Council Meeting 6:30pm
- Fri. Dec. 19 Thirsting Souls Group 6:30pm
- Thr. Dec. 25 Christmas – Caroling, Candles, and Cookies 6:00pm

## Giving for November 30, 2008

Church Offering:

\$1,098.35

Missions:

\$50.00

Church Remodeling:

\$40.00

Songbooks:

\$160.00

## Announcements:

- Church council has hired **Cara as our new church secretary**. Beginning **this week**, please contact Cara for all bulletin and calendar-related requests. She will assume the email [secretary@friendmc.org](mailto:secretary@friendmc.org).
- Remember to **pray for the Bedford Heights Daycare children, parents and workers**. They use our church every day and are a huge part of our community. We will be planning another Thanksgiving dinner with them this year. FISH has been meeting and praying for ways to connect and minister to this special community who uses our church.
- If you have an **announcement for the bulletin**, please leave a message on the church voicemail or contact Cara via phone or e-mail ([bulletin@friendmc.org](mailto:bulletin@friendmc.org)) by Wednesday morning.

## Advent Readings – Week 2

Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8

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