

Valleys Before Mountaintops

December 7, 2025



Huntington Mennonite Church All Are Welcome

In response to God's call, we worship God, giving ourselves to God's work of liberating, reconciling, and equipping each person into full ministry as followers of Jesus Christ in the Kingdom of God.



WELCOME TO HUNTINGTON MENNONITE CHURCH

785 Harpersville Rd. Newport News, VA 23601

www.huntingtonmennonite.org

Tel 757-595-6889

Gather for coffee & fellowship 9:15 – 9:25 a.m.; 10:30-10:45 a.m.

Grow through Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Celebrate through Worship 10:45 a.m.

Gathering

Prelude	Samantha Luck
Welcome and Announcements	Edith Carr
Advent Candle Lighting	Betty Kurtz
Advent Song:	*Praise Team
Longing for Light vs. 1 & 2	VT 715
Call to Worship	Edith Carr

Engaging

Songs of Praise:	*Praise Team
Here I Am to Worship	VT 227
Holy Spirit, Come with Power	VT 57

Offering	Edith Carr
Offertory	Samantha Luck

(Passing of Friendship Registries)

Congregational Prayer	Pastor Dave Mishler
Focus Song	*Praise Team
There's a Wild Hope in the Wind	VT 828

Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14, John 11:25–26	Steven Albang
Sermon: "Valleys Before Mountaintops"	Pastor Dave Mishler
Song of Response:	*Praise Team
O Come, O Come Emmanuel vs. 1 & 4 - 7	VT 210

Sending

Benediction	Pastor Dave Mishler
Sung Benediction	*Praise Team
Gloria, In Excelsis Deo (from Angels We Have Heard)	VT 249
Postlude	Samantha Luck

*Praise Team this week includes Lewi Blosser and Dave Mishler

EVENTS

Dec 7	9:30 am	Sunday School – Adult Bible Study Living Hope I Peter 1:3-12
	10:45 am	Worship (Sanctuary and Zoom)
Dec 9	9:00 am	Prayer and Fellowship Time @ HMC
Dec 10	5:30 pm	Wednesday Supper at HMC
Dec 12	12:30-2:00 pm	Pastor Dave’s Mobile Office Hours
Dec 13	7:00 am	Men’s Prayer Breakfast
Dec 14	9:30 am	Sunday School – Adult Bible Study Holy Living I Peter 1:13-2:3
	10:45 am	Worship (Sanctuary and Zoom) Communion Service Mosemann Farewell reception (after service) Worship Committee meeting
Dec 15	4:30 pm	Leadership Council Meeting

Our HMC Christmas Breakfast will be on December 21 from 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM There will not be Sunday School that morning. **Bruce needs (4) four volunteers to prepare casseroles dishes for that day.** There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the secondary auditorium.

BAKERS NEEDED!!! The Warwick River Christian Learning Center **needs homemade cookie or candy donations** for its annual cookie sale on Saturday, December 13 beginning at 9 am. **Bake them this week and freeze them.** If you are not a baker or candy maker you can still help because **BUYERS ARE ALSO NEEDED!!!** You can buy delicious cookies by the pound. Come early because when they are all sold, there won’t be more to be had. They usually sell out in 2 hours, so come early if you want treats. For more information email them at wrlc@warwickriver.org or call 757 877 2941 for Michelle Watrous .

Word came this week that Melanie Plato died. A long-time member of Williamsburg Mennonite Church, Melanie also served as the treasurer for Eastern District for many years and was a valued member of the Eastern District Council along with her husband Heinz. Please keep Heinz and the rest of the family in your prayers.

Please send all bulletin announcements to Betty Kurtz by Thursday morning prior to when the announcement should appear. Email at bkz11@msn.com.

11-23-2025 Attendance: 44

Huntington Church Staff:

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Secretary's Office Hours: Tuesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m.

Heidi Bane, Church Treasurer

Huntington Mennonite Church Leadership Council:

- Chair – Dianna Schiedel
- Administration Elder – Milton Janzen
- Spiritual Life Elder – Lewi Blosser
- Outreach Elder—Russell DeYoung
- Community Life Elder—Bruce Salsburg
- Interim Pastor— Dave Mishler
- Recording Secretary—Milton Janzen

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