

**Wherever you are in life's journey and your spiritual journey, you are welcome here, where together we share God's love.**

**SOUTHERN HILLS MENNONITE CHURCH**  
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December 12, 2021      **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**      65:50

**Prelude**      Breath of Heaven      arr. Brickman

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

Introduction of Guests (*Please fill out the welcome pads.*)  
Announcements

Special Music      O Come, O Come Immanuel  
\*Call to Worship

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Hymn      He Came Down      VT #239 (*purple*)

Prayer of Confession and Assurance

Scripture Reading 1      Psalm 80:1-7

Children's Time  
(*Children in Kindergarten and younger may go to the nursery.*)

Hymn      God Is Here Among Us      VT #62 (*purple*)  
(*both verses in English*)

Scripture Reading 2      Luke 1:39-55

Sermon      Dare to Imagine God's Face  
Sharing and Prayer  
*moments of gratitude and concern*

Offering  
Offertory      Of the Father's Love Begotten      arr. Wyrzten

Closing Hymn      Love Has Come      VT #258 (*purple*)

\*Benediction

\*Musical Response

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\*Please stand as you are able.

Hearing assist devices are available from the ushers.

VT = Voices Together (*purple*)

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| Pastor: Gabriel Pennington<br>Worship Leader: Steve Lowry<br>Pianist: Glenna Lowry<br>Tongue Drum: Bradley Siebert | Cantor: Bradley Siebert<br>Music Coordinator: Carolyn Voth<br>Greeter: Steve & Glenna Lowry<br>Usher: Randy Schmidt |
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LAST WEEK

**Offering:** \$13,385.00      **Attendance:** 56 in person, 30 online views

TODAY

9:30 am - Worship Service  
10:30 am - Children's Sunday School, in person  
10:30 am - Adult Sunday School, in person  
11:00 am - Adult Sunday School, ZOOM

THIS WEEK

Dec 14, 9:00 am - Coffee & Conversation, FH  
Dec 14, 7:00 pm - Council mtg, ZOOM  
Dec 15, 9:30 am & 10:45 am - Chimes Rehearsal, FH  
Dec 15, 7:00 pm - Reading Scripture in Community, ZOOM  
Dec 15, 7:30 pm - Diaconate mtg, ZOOM  
Dec 16, 7:00 pm - Women's Sunday School, ZOOM  
Dec 16, 7:15 pm - Chimes Rehearsal, FH

COMING UP

Dec 19, 9:30 am - Christmas Program  
Dec 20, 5:30 pm - OMB mtg, ZOOM  
Dec 23, 7:00 pm - Women's Sunday School, ZOOM  
Dec 23 - Church Office closed (Christmas Eve observed)  
Dec 24 - Church Office closed (Christmas Day observed)  
Dec 25 - Christmas Day

CLEANING

Dec 18 - Hershberger  
Dec 25 - Tim & Carolyn Voth  
Jan 1 - Randy Schmidt

**Contributions** can be mailed to: SHMC, Box 5067, Topeka, KS 66605

**Southern Hills Mennonite Church Mission Statement** (*from the church constitution*): The purpose of this congregation shall be to live by and promote, through worship, study, giving and witness, the heritage of the Anabaptist-Mennonite expression of the Christian faith and life in contemporary form. We believe this to mean that a congregation is to be a body of Christians committed to the Lordship of Christ, who, by the power of the Holy Spirit, seek to live lives of discipleship, to practice the ethic of love and nonresistance in all human relationships, and to adhere to the historic peace position.