Benton Mennonite Church

November 29, 2026

Worship leader: Patty Nofziger
Song leader: Barb Meyer-Reed
Children's focus: John Buschert
Scripture Reader: Janet Byler
Peace prayer: Jerrol Shaum
Speaker: Pastor Derrick

Theme: God dreams of Hope

10:25 Meditative Silence
10:30 Worship

Welcome
VT #210 *O Come, O Come Immanuel (v. 1,3,4,6)*
Candle lighting
VT #211 *Hope is a Candle (v. 1)*
Call to Worship
Peace Prayer
VT #623 *What Comfort can our Worship Bring*
VT #212 *Comfort, Comfort ye my People*
Sharing: Queer Community Care Coordinator Ministry
Offering & Thanksgiving Offering (Special Music)
VT #208 *With Mary Sing Magnificat*
Children's Focus:
Scripture: Habakkuk 1:1-7; 2:1-4; 3:3b-6, 17-19
Sermon: *God dreams of Hope*
Song of Response
Sharing and Prayer
Introductions and Announcements
BF #10 *Tho' the Fig Tree*
Benediction

Next Sunday

9:30am **No** First Hour
10:30am Worship
12pm Fellowship meal

Worship leader: Patty Nofziger
Song leader: Barb Meyer-Reed
Children's focus: Cas Byler
Greeters: Orv/LaJane Yoder
Scriptures: Esther 4:1-17
Scripture Reader: Jerrol Shaum
Peace prayer: Pat Baer
Speaker: Pastor Derrick
Sound tech: Lane Meyer-Reed

This week.

- **Tuesday, 9:30am** Coffee Talk at the church. Come and chat with the pastor and with each other.

Upcoming events

- Sunday, December 6, our last carry-in meal for 2026
- Sunday, December 13, Cookie Exchange
- Sunday, December 20, Christmas Pageant

Announcements

- The adult Bible study SS class will not meet starting today through December 27. It will resume on January 3, 2027

- A Thanksgiving Offering will be collected today Please write Thanksgiving in the memo line if writing a check. The offering will be divided equally between organizations iour community: Queer Community Care Coordinator, Center for Community Justice, and Bushelcraft Farm.

- BMC Amigo Retreat - Retreat expenses are over receipts for the 2026 Church Retreat. If anyone wants to still contribute, designate it for Retreat 2026. Thanks for all who could attend and come again next year!

Offering report

Thank you for your continuing support of the work of the church. You can bring offerings to in-person worship, send checks to the church office, authorize automatic payments from your account, or use the donate button on the website. See Doug Vendrely if you wish to use or make changes to an automatic electronic payment method.

Attendance for Sunday, November 23, 2026

Total:48 Visitors:3

Send bulletin information to ***bentonmennooffice@gmail.com***
ALL information is due by Wednesday pm.

Send PowerPoints or other tech items for the worship service to ***soundguys@bentonchurch.org***. ***by Saturday pm***

Staff days for this week

Derrick Ramer: Monday-Thursday
Patty Nofziger: Monday and Thursday afternoons

Welcome Statement

Believing that the image of God is found in every person, we commit ourselves to welcoming people of any age, ethnicity, race, gender identity, sexual orientation, citizenship status, and ability as full participants in our congregational life. This commitment means increasing our awareness of power and privilege as we stretch ourselves to become more inclusive and loving in all our relationships

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Relying on the Spirit,
we will love as Jesus loves,
pursuing God's peace
at the river and
at the table.

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