

RIDGEVIEW MENNONITE CHURCH

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January 18, 2009

**Called by God to learn and share together
God's love with all creation**

PRAYER TIME 8:15 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:15 AM

Was it intrigue, emptiness or something else that compelled Zacchaeus to come and see Jesus? He climbed above the crowd to get a "view of Jesus." Perhaps, providing a "view of Jesus" for the world, is the greatest call for leaders and for all as part of the faith community.

Gathering

Prelude
Sharing Life Together (sign registry)
Call to Worship
Gathering Songs

Praise & Giving

Congregational Prayer
Sharing Our Tithes & Offerings
Congregational Singing

Proclaiming

Children's Message
Scripture: Luke 19:1-10
Message: "A View Above the Crowd" Merv Stoltzfus

Responding

Song of Response
Commissioning Service for Carol Wenger, Minister of Youth & Young Adults

Sending & Blessing

Pastor John, *worship leader*; Jeff Raught, *musician*; Evie Hershey, *children's message*; Michael Bentivogli, *sound tech*, Morgan Steffy, *projector tech*

THIS WEEK

Tue 7:30 a.m. Prayer time

9:00 a.m. Sewing Circle

Wed 5:30 p.m. Quiz practice

6:15 p.m. Family Night Activities

COMING EVENTS

Jan 25 Pastor John's last sermon at Ridgeview

Feb 1 Celebration Sunday—celebrating Pastor John's ministry

Feb 6 & 7 Women's Retreat @ Tel Hai. "Life is Lumpy," Cheryl Hollinger, speaker. Sign up today in the lobby after worship

Feb 8 Amish turkey dinner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOBBLE, GOBBLE, GOBBLE! Do you have a turkey in your freezer you would be willing to donate to the youth group? The senior high youth's annual Amish turkey dinner will take place February 8 and we need turkeys. If you would be willing to supply a bird, please inform Joy or Carol.

THE RIDGEVIEW QUIZ TEAM HAS GROWN! One of the highlights of past quiz seasons has been the experiences of being hosted for Sunday afternoon quiz practice and a light supper. We're hoping there are some persons able to host our large group of 13 quizzers and 4 coaches. Please talk to Pat Yoder for specific dates, starting with our first quiz match at LMS on Sunday, January 25. Thanks for donating Ridgeview Hometowne Collectibles for the quiz team name plates. We have one for each quizzer.

THANK YOU to my brothers and sisters for remembering me at the time of my father's death. Your acts of kindness, cards, flowers, etc. were appreciated. May God bless you. Laura Riehl

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT... Krista Yoder, daughter of Pastor Nelson and Pat, and Jean-Robert Latortue have announced their engagement. Preparation for a Labor Day weekend wedding in Philadelphia has begun.

NEEDED...Volunteers to do four Wednesday night meals—March 4, 11, 18 & 25. Contact Marie Kurtz.

I WISH TO THANK the congregation of Ridgeview for the food, gifts of love, many cards, and prayers during Valentino's heart issue. How very kind and caring you were to think of us so far away. It was a blessing not to feel so alone during this crisis. The children's drawings to Val made him smile! Ms. Gwen and her teachers made that week a happy one for him. Your prayer shawl made us feel so very special. Please still keep us in your prayers as the doctors continue to help my son. With grateful appreciation—

Jennifer Ann, Valentino, Rosario & Mazzarina Succarotte

ONE OF EDUCATION COMMISSION priorities is to encourage Bible reading throughout the year. Reading charts are available—you will find them located on the literature rack. There is one for youth and adults and one for children.

ADULT/CHILD PRAYER MINISTRY is in need of four adult loving hearts to follow Jesus' call to "pray for one another." No meetings, no dues—just your own time, in your own way. Please help us fill these empty spaces. We need you and your prayers. Frances DiSilvio & Minnie Stoltzfus

LABELS, LABELS, LABELS...thank you for dropping off your Campbell, Swanson, etc. labels in our white bucket. The year 2008 totaled 797 labels equal to 330 points. A listing of all labels collected is on the literature rack. Frances DiSilvio

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW being affected by the current economic situation? Would you like to explore ways to support each other in these times? If so, join others in the 1990 Hall at Ridgeview, Tuesday, January 27, 7:00 P.M. for a time of sharing and discussion.

INGATHERING FOR January & February...1) snack size applesauce packs for the backpack program and 2) paper supplies for New Holland Food Bank—toilet paper, tissues, and paper towels.

RIDGEVIEW has been invited to have a member on the Board of Directors at the Factory Youth Center in Paradise. If interested, talk to Evan Lapp.

REPORT for January 11

Offering \$5367

Church Attendance 144 Sunday school 129

Family Night Activities

Wednesday, January 21

6:15 Meal – Subs 7:00 Activities

Children's Clubs Age 3 – 5th grade

Junior High Youth 6th – 8th grade

Senior High Youth 9th – 12th grade

Adults: The Sermon on the Mount for Today -- *Reality Check...an Unexpected Invitation*, Matthew 5:1-16, Audrey Kanagy, presenter **Study guides are on the lit rack**

PRAYER CORNER

- Transition Team as they do their work
- Ike Glick a patient at LGH
- Bob Heine's father, Larry, facing cardiac surgery and strength for Bob's mother Carolyn
- Lois Martin (Eby Hershey's sister) at Ephrata Community Hospital
- Quiz team and coaches
- Peace in the world's hot spots—Middle East, India/Pakistan, Congo

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