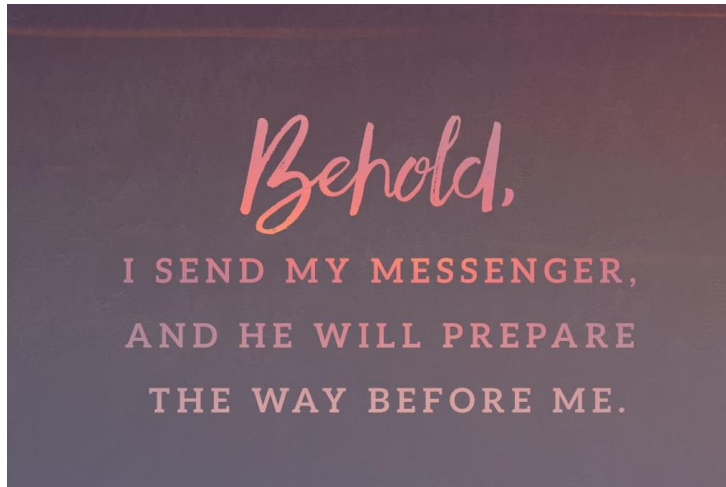


# Holyrood Mennonite Church

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<b>Worship Leader:</b>	<b>Gizzie Arku</b>
<b>Children's Church:</b>	<b>Helena</b>
<b>Music Group:</b>	<b>Amie, Dorathy, Esther, Evanna, Gizzie, Grace, Josh, Thomas, Willa</b>
<b>Tech Support:</b>	<b>Arthur Elliott, Emmanuel, Edward</b>

## Our Vision:

*Training Apprentices of Jesus to share God's abundant hospitality with people of all ages and cultures through the power of the spirit.*

**Welcome to Worship Service at 10:30 am  
Second Sunday of Advent, December 8, 2024**

## GATHERING

Prelude  
Welcome  
Hope Candle Lighting: Debrah  
Gathering Song: Comfort, Comfort O My People #174 HWB

Call to Worship  
Opening Prayer

## PRAISING GOD

- Jesus be My Centre #31 STS
- Receive My Praise O Lord
- Hope is a Candle #15 STS

Offering:

Can be made by e-transfer to [holyroodmchurch@gmail.com](mailto:holyroodmchurch@gmail.com)  
Offertory: My Hope is Built on Nothing Less, by Praise Payne

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Feature: Margot Brunn  
Scriptures: Malachi 3:1-4; Philippians 1:3-11, read by Nathan

***Reflection: Hope from Heaven***

Share and Prayer  
Announcements  
Children's Sharing

Benediction  
Sending Song: Guide My Feet While I Run this Race

## Announcements

From Holyrood

- **Wednesday, December 11:** Bible Study. Luke 2:25-40, led by Garmai at 7 p.m., in person and on Zoom
- **Thursday, December 5:** Weekly music lessons at 2:30 p.m. Church cleaning between 2:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, December 14:** Next Praise Team practice at 1 p.m.
  
- **Second Advent Sunday Worship, December 15:**  
Tech: Arthur Elliot, Emmanuel, Dixon  
Scripture reader: Noah  
Worship leader: Peter Doblak  
Children's Church and Feature: Tarnisha  
Greeter: Gizzie Arku  
Speaker: Jackson Boakai

Our Community Prayer this Week

- Be with us O God, as we begin the journey of Advent. Guide our thoughts and our actions during this time of preparation.

Our Prayers for the World

- We light the candle of Hope that comes from walking on your sacred pathway of peace and abundance. We remember all those who have gone before, grateful for the saints in our communities and histories who have guided us on this pathway.

## Mennonite Church Alberta 2024 Prayer Request for December Please pray with and for Camp Valaqua

- We ask for discernment and wisdom in this time of staff transition. Our long time Camp Manager Jeff Schellenberg is moving on and he leaves a huge void in our camp community. Jeff cannot be replaced but navigating how we will continue without him will be a challenge for us going forward.
- We ask for wisdom and guidance as we interpret the work of our visioning process and look to turn it into tangible next steps at Valaqua. The report for our visioning process is in the hands of the Camp Committee now and we are working on what that means for our future direction. Interpreting these results and using them as a basis to create a site development plan for the coming years is the work of our community.
- We ask for safety and fellowship for the many communities that keep Valaqua a happy and vibrant place during winter. Camp continues to be a busy place, with groups arriving every Friday and enjoying our amazing corner of creation.
- We ask for energy and enthusiasm as we prepare for the summer season that is coming. Planning for next summer starts now! We have dates in place and that's the start. Building our registration system, recruiting and hiring staff, and managing camper registrations all builds towards the summer season that will be here before we know it

## Mennonite Life and Church Activities

- **Monday, December 9: Advent Hearing and Reflection** from MCA Bridge Building at 6:30 p.m. by Zoom. Continuing on December 16. For link, email [bridgebuilding@mcab.ca](mailto:bridgebuilding@mcab.ca)
- **Christmas Giving Catalogue:** Transform lives across the globe. Choose from gifts like goats, clean water or books for peace. [mcc.org/christmas](http://mcc.org/christmas)
- **SALT:** Are you 18-30 years old? Looking for a chance to serve and go deep into a new culture as you follow Christ? Got skills in agriculture, communications, education, IT, music, research, sports, or more? Serve for a year on another continent! No cost and applications are open until Feb 15. Visit [mcc.org/get-involved/volunteer/salt](http://mcc.org/get-involved/volunteer/salt) for more details.