

# Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

December 15, 2013

✚✚✚ Welcome to our Worship Service! ✚✚✚

**Devotional:**----- Jason Nissley  
**Message:**----- Norman Yoder  
**Offering:**----- General  
**SS Lesson:**----- Proverbs 7

**Adult and Youth Verse:** Say unto wisdom, Thou art my sister; and call understanding thy kinswoman: That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger which flattereth with her words. Prov. 7: 4,5

**Intermediate Verse:** And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity. 1 Cor. 13:13

**Junior Verse:** The Lord recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust. Ruth 2:12

**Primary Verse:** "Obey them that have the rule over you" Heb. 13:17

**Preschool Verse:** "Enter not into the path of the wicked" Prov. 4:14

**SS Lesson for next week:** Proverbs 8

**Adult and Youth Verse for next week:** Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. Prov. 8:34

Today's Host: Michael & Virginia Yoder

Next Sunday Host: Henry & Fannie Nissley

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## Hiding

Some animals can disappear in their surroundings. The patterns on their bodies work like camouflage to keep them safe—or help them sneak up on lunch.

### Orange Oakleaf Butterfly

You probably think of butterflies as brightly colored. And the orange oakleaf doesn't disappoint—as long as its wings are open. Once they're closed, however, the irregular shape and brown color with veins and spots make this butterfly look like a dried up leaf.

-Kids Answers

<http://goo.gl/bocZyY>



## Announcements:

- ✓ This Evening: Singspiration, snacks and hot drinks at Norman Yoder's at 6:00. Please bring your Zion's Praises songbooks.
- ✓ Monday Evening: Christmas caroling. Please be at the school house by 6:00.
- ✓ Wednesday Evening: Prison Service (Annex) 4:15 PM. To go: James, Michael & Ralph- devotions
- ✓ Church Social has been canceled for this Month.
- ✓ School devotions this week by: Jason Ahmed
- ✓ A copy of the church calendar is on the table in the entry. Please make corrections as needed.

## ~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES ~

Dec. 15, Happy Birthday! Iva Martin, 1997

Dec. 19, Happy Birthday! Andrea Martin, 2010

## -Forgive us our Christmases

The story has been published of a little girl caught in the pre- Christmas swirl of activity, all of which seemed to be coming to a head on Christmas Eve. Dad, loaded down with bundles, seemed to have an even greater number of worries. Mom, under the pressure of getting ready for the great occasion, had yielded to tears several times during the day. The little girl herself, trying to help, found that she was always under foot, and sometimes adult kindness to her wore thin. Finally, near tears herself, she was hustled off to bed. There kneeling to pray the Lord's Prayer before finally tumbling in, her mind and tongue betrayed her and she prayed, " Forgive us our Christmases as we forgive those who Christmas against us." Perhaps the little girl's prayer was not such a great mistake. Too often we leave out the Christ of Christmas. Too often He is crowded out of our busy lives. Remember, the best gift won't be found in a box but in a person.

**-The Light- An artist once painted a picture of a wintry twilight, the trees heavily laden with snow, and a dark, dreary house, lonely and desolate in the midst of the storm. It was a sad picture. Then with a quick stroke of yellow paint, he put a light in a window. The effect was magical. The entire scene was transformed into a vision of comfort and cheer. The birth of Christ was just such a light in the world. -Sunday School Chronicle**