



**BRESLAU MENNONITE CHURCH**  
**FOURTH ADVENT Sunday December 24, 2023**

*How will we know...why me? Why not me?*

**GATHERING AND PRAISING GOD**

**Pre-Worship Advent Singing**

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

Leader God sent the angel Gabriel to a young woman in Nazareth named Mary.  
The angel said to Mary, "Greetings, favoured one! God is with you."

1 But Mary was perplexed by Gabriel's words,  
2 and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.

Leader The angel said to her: "Do not be afraid, for you have found favour with God."

**All Like Mary, we are also ordinary. Will God really work through us?**  
**(pause)**

**All Together we ponder.**

**Prayer of Gathering**

**Hymns**

Oh, How Shall I Receive Thee #215 VT  
To Us a Child of Hope Is Born #259 VT

**Prayer of Thanksgiving - Giving Our First Fruit Offerings**

**Children's Offering Project- BMC Winter Giving Project: A Better Tent City**

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**Children's Story**

**Advent Theme Hymn**

**Scripture**

**Sermon** Extraordinary Love

**Hymn**

Pastor Eleanor  
Poor of the Earth #213 VT  
Luke 1:26-38  
Pastor Eleanor  
The Angel Gabriel Called Mary Blessed #221 VT

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

**Praying Together**

**Hymn**

**Advent Candle Lighting & Benediction**

**Postlude**

Joy to the World #240 VT

*VT Voices Together*

Livestream link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w91kOAG1X0M>

**Welcome!**  
**Following the worship service**  
**ALL are invited for coffee/tea and conversation.**  
**All are invited to join in Christmas Eve Worship at 7:00pm**

**Worship Leader**  
**Accompanists**  
**Chorister**  
**Advent Candle Lighter**  
**Scripture Readers**  
**Sound & Technical Support**  
**Greeters**  
**Ushers**  
**Coffee**

Sharla B  
Janice K, Linden G, Paul H, Randy B, Matt R, Carolyn S, Oliver B  
Eric HR  
Erin B  
Amanda S, Pastor Eleanor  
Matt V  
Murray & Carol S  
Dorothy H, Andre C  
Lynn R

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