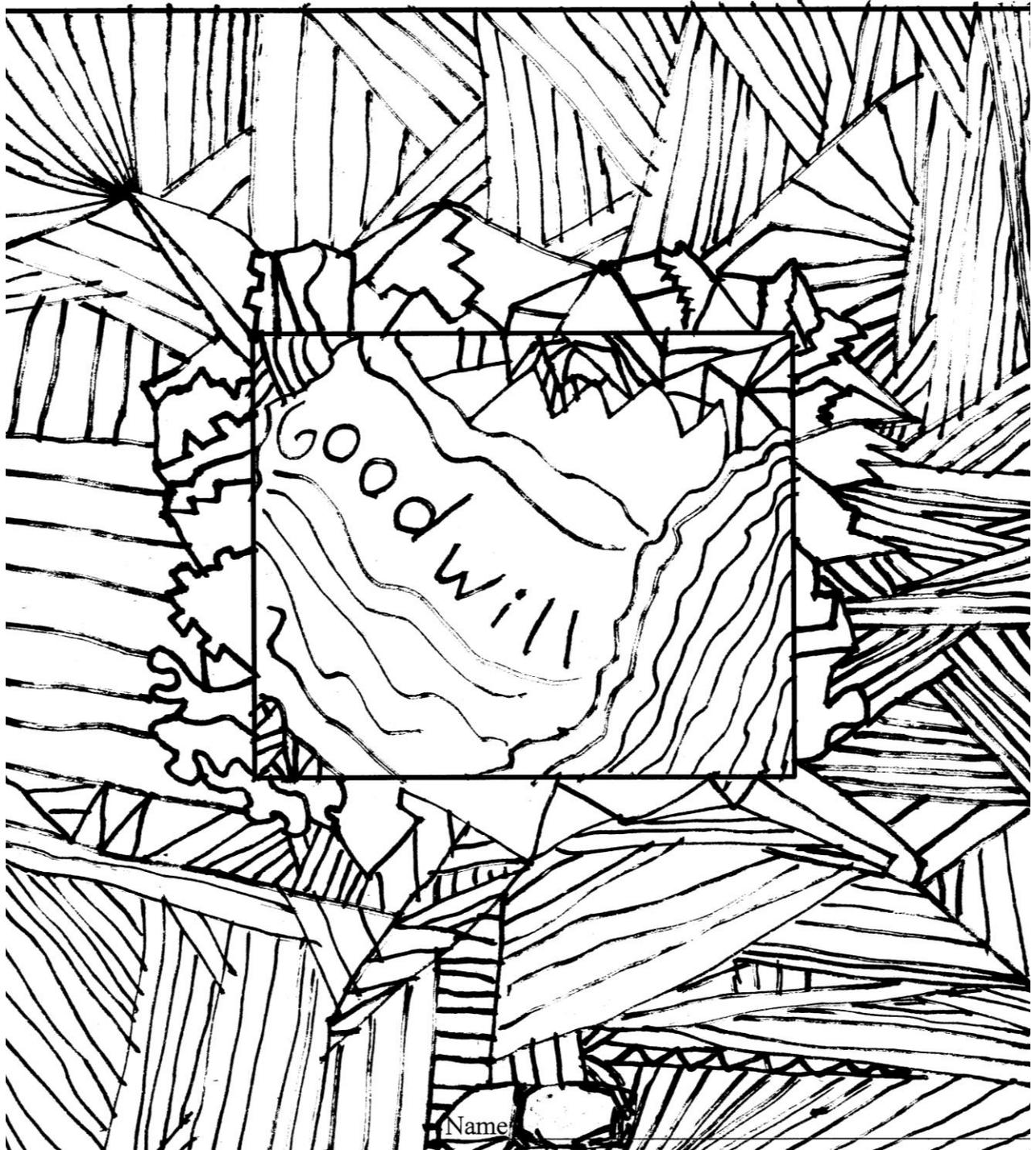


Rainbow Mennonite Church



Name _____

DECEMBER 14, 2014

Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
TRUE TREASURES**

PRELUDE

Janelle Arnett Campbell, Accompanist

WELCOMING THE LIGHT

Youth mentor pairs, Candlelighters
Robert Kaufman and Kennedy Kaufman;
Nikki Simone Pauls and Annabelle McGuire
Steve Goeke and Rosi Penner Kaufman, musicians

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Rodney Kliewer, Worship Leader

L: God, who is among us as we worship today,

C: help us to watch, wait and listen expectantly.

L: Like the bud on a tree, possibilities are about to blossom.

C: Like Mary, help us to treasure the new thing God is about to do.

All: Help us to watch, wait and listen expectantly until God's reign comes on earth as in heaven.

*HYMN #16

God is here among us

CHILDREN'S TIME

Treasure talk with Tanya Ortman and Ky Stolzhus

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

ANTHEM

Cold December Flies Away

Conrad Susa

(Please reserve expressions of appreciation for Community Building time)

NEW TESTAMENT READING #840

Luke 1:47-55

SERMON

A worldly salvation

HYMN #181

My soul proclaims with wonder

COMMUNITY BUILDING TIME

- Anticipating Christmas

Children and WorshipArts participants are invited to treasure the arrival of Jesus by adding something to the crèche at the front of the sanctuary. As they come forward with shepherds and animals today, we will sing stanzas 1-2 of #199 The first Noel

- Introductions

We are glad you are here. Once the attendance register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

- Joys and Concerns

Slips of paper are available in the attendance register for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl at the front of the sanctuary.

- Prayers of the People

- Announcements

- Offering

*HYMN #184

Hark! The glad sound

*SENDING FORTH

L1: Follow, where the Spirit of Hope leads you.

L2: Listen, as Peace is born.

L1: Rejoice, as the Love of God embraces you.

L2: Go now, with Hope, Peace and Love in your hearts.

All: *And the blessing of Creator, Peace and Spirit forever be with us.*

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.

Songs designated “SJ” are in the green *Sing the Journey* hymnal.

About the **worship bulletin covers**: For the last few weeks in WorshipArts we've been doing Zentangles, which might be described as “mindful doodling.” While we work on designs and patterns, we talk about what we've experienced during the worship service. Some of the bulletins are a collaborative effort – we asked the jr. high class to illustrate words they associate with Advent and Christmas inside the box, then the WorshipArts kids “tangled” around them. Ask one of our young worshippers about the project. They can tell you more.

WorshipArts is a time every Sunday for children in K - 5th grade to respond to worship, ask questions and learn more about the language, ritual, movement, sound and art incorporated in worship.

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