

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship our Lord and King

10 December 2017

Welcome! Thanks for joining us! If you're new, please fill out a connect card (found in the bench rack), and drop it in the offering plate when it's passed, or give it to one of the people standing by the doors at the end of the service.

This morning is the second Sunday of Advent! We will look at how God shares His love for us through generous hospitality. As we reflect on what God has offered to us, we will consider what it means to be hospitable to others as well.

Order of worship

Prelude <i>Worship Team</i>	<i>Come and Worship</i>
Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>O Come All Ye Faithful</i> <i>Angels We Have Heard On High</i>
Baptism	Cale Broene
Advent Wreath	
Mission Update	
Prayer	
Our Giving	<i>While Shepherds Watch Their Flocks</i> <i>Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 3</i>
Kingdom Prayers	
Singing	<i>The First Noel</i>
Message <i>Pastor Eric Schalk</i>	Generous Hospitality <i>Luke 2:1-20 (p.992)</i>
Singing	<i>Build Your Kingdom Here</i>
Benediction	

This week at Fourth

Today	Nursery	<i>Connie Scherpenisse, Betsy Coutchie</i> <i>Next week: T. Gonzalez, L. O'Brock</i>
	Children's Worship	<i>Julie Gleason, Caden, Ellie</i> <i>Next week: Abbie, Erin, Breanna, Jaidyn</i>
	Greeters	<i>Dave & Julie Gleason</i> <i>Next week: Brian & Becky Tubergen</i>
	Coffee	<i>Ken & Amy Coeling</i> <i>Greg & Leslie Hawkins</i> <i>Next week: Don & Betsy Coutchie</i> <i>Phyllis Berrevoets, Sandy Gleason</i>
	11:00 AM 11:15 - Noon 11:15 AM 6:00 PM	Kids Praise Team Christian Education Parent Meeting <i>in fireside</i> High School Hang Out
Monday	6:00 PM	GEMS <i>caroling to Rest Haven</i>
Tuesday	10:00 AM 6:30 PM	Women's Bible Study Men's Study <i>at the McDowell's</i>
Wednesday	6:30 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Men's Bible Study <i>at New Beginnings</i> Kids Hope Christmas Party Alzheimer's Support Group <i>in fireside</i>
Thursday	10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry <i>at Rest Haven</i>
Saturday	10:30 AM	Christmas Program Practice

Announcements

Parent Meeting

This morning we have a meeting in the fireside room for parents of youth group children. We'll gather at 11:15 to chat about the first half of the school year, and to brainstorm ideas for the upcoming months.

Christmas Cheer

Cards for our shut-ins are due today! If you would like to visit and be blessed by one of our dear elderly folk, grab their cards after worship today and drop in this week and see their smiles. Thank you!

Our Missionaries of the Month are Jeff & Lisa Boehm

Seventeen years ago, Jeff and Lisa Boehm joined YWAM, a global movement of Christians dedicated to knowing God and making Him known throughout the world. Being equipped with an understanding of the Thai language and government systems, Jeff has a growing role in advising missionaries and Christian business people on strategic, practical ways to expand God's Kingdom in Thailand, where less than one percent of the people believe in Jesus. Lisa finds joy in her calling to advocate and network for refugees and new missionaries as they adjust to Thai culture. One of her responsibilities is to work with a team to provide twice monthly meetings for the YWAM family to have fellowship, prayer, worship, and teaching. Our offering for the Boehms will be received next week.

Consistory Update

Micah and Erin Meendering came to the elders' meeting this past week to request baptism for precious Hazel. We look forward to baptizing Hazel into the Fourth family in the near future.

The deacons reported that we are currently at 92% of our budget for 2017. As the year draws to a close, consider how you can give to help support the ministry of our church.

Our Thanksgiving offering totaled \$3,055 and our mission offering for the de Leons was \$1,715.

Alzheimer's Support Group

Bethlehem Intergenerational Center will have two people present their ministry to us on Wednesday. We will hear about the ministry and they will provide written material and have a Q&A with us. If you would like to join us this week, please do. Questions, see Tom Boehm.

Appreciation

A special thank you to all who have provided snacks for the GEMS.

Kids Hope USA

Christmas Party will be this Wednesday from 6-8pm. After we enjoy a ham dinner together, Kathy Miedema, Ventriloquist, will present the Christmas story. Kids Hope volunteers, please plan to attend and make your reservation today. We are still in need of monetary donations to cover the cost of our gift bags for our families. If you are able to help, please place your donation in an envelope marked "Kids Hope Christmas" and place it in the offering plate.

Christmas Program

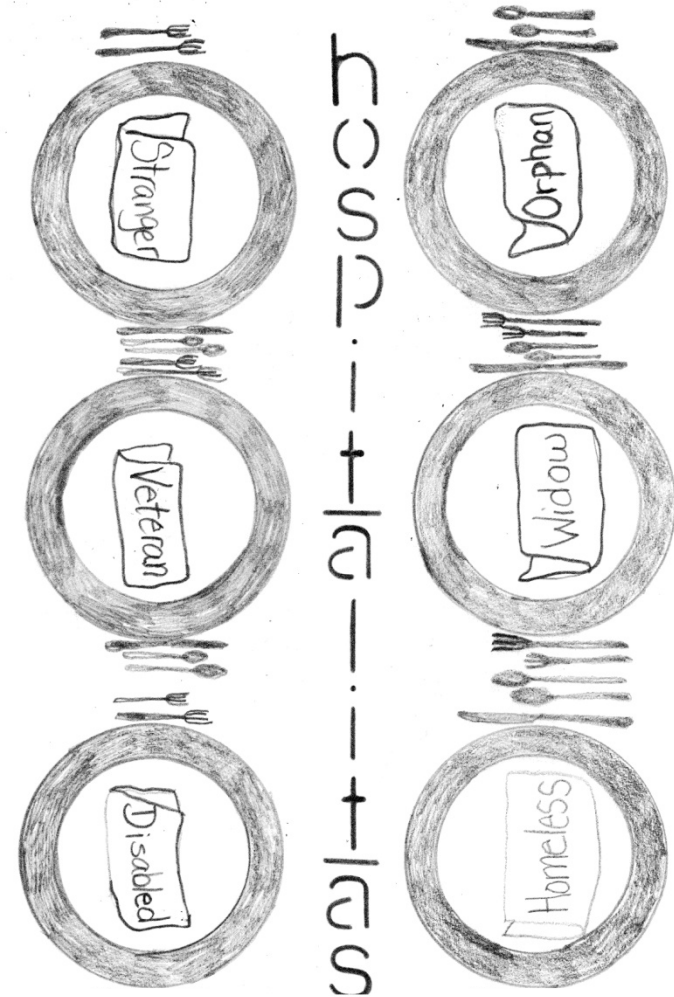
Come join us for this year's Christmas program next Sunday. The kids will be sharing the story of Christmas through the perspective of the animals.

Saturday Practice

Practice for the Christmas program will be Saturday from 10:30 to noon.

The King's Choraliers Christmas Concert

You're invited to attend the King's Choraliers Christmas Concert this evening at 7:30pm at LaGrave Ave Christian Reformed Church.



Empowered by the Spirit to follow
Jesus together, serve others, and share
God's love

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