

# Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship our Lord and King

**2 December 2018**

**Welcome!** Thanks for coming. 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.

Welcome to Advent, the season of anticipation, where we reflect on the birth of Jesus. This Advent season we will be looking at the beginning of Matthew to see how the arrival of Jesus was a radical act of hospitality on behalf of God to welcome people into his kingdom.

## Order of worship

Prelude <i>Worship Team</i>	<i>My Soul in Stillness Waits</i>
Welcome	
Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>Come Thou Long Expected Jesus While Shepherds Watch Their Flocks Emmanuel</i>
Advent Wreath	
Prayer	
Our Giving	<i>What Child Is This? Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 3</i>
Kingdom Prayers	
Message <i>Pastor Eric Schalk</i>	<b>Radical Hospitality 1 - Family of Christ</b> <i>Matthew 1:1-17 (p.933)</i>
Celebration of Communion	
Singing	<i>The Servant King</i>
Benediction	

This week at **Fourth**

<b>Today</b>	<b>Nursery</b>	<i>J. Schalk, K. DeVries, T. Eising Next week: Paul Baragar, Nancy Aukeman</i>
	<b>Children's Worship</b>	<i>Sarah Parler, Eliana, Caden Next week: Amy Baragar, Erin B., Kate S.</i>
	<b>Greeters</b>	<i>Eric &amp; Laura O'Brock Next week: Scott &amp; Melissa Schalk</i>
	<b>Coffee</b>	<i>Dave &amp; Richanda Bolt Ron &amp; Marcia Schuur Next week: Kathy Burggraaf Tim &amp; Maria Dorn</i>
	11:00 AM 11:00-Noon 11:15-Noon 5:00 PM	<b>Kids Praise Team Kids Hope Prayer Gathering in Rm. 1 Christian Education Youth Group</b>
<b>Monday</b>	6:00 PM 6:00 PM	<b>GEMS Women's Study</b> <i>book of Mark</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 AM 6:30 PM  8:15 PM	<b>Women's Bible Study</b> <i>in the fireside room</i> <b>Deacons/Elders</b> <i>those who feel led to confess their faith, desire baptism or transfer, are encouraged to contact Pastor Eric</i> <b>Consistory Meets</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 AM	<b>Men's Bible Study</b> <i>at New Beginnings</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00 AM 7:00 PM	<b>Prayer Shawl Ministry</b> <i>at Rest Haven</i> <b>Men's Bible Study</b> <i>book of Romans</i>
<b>Friday</b>	5:30 PM	<b>Kids Hope Christmas Party</b>

## Announcements

### 2018 Christmas Card List

Vera Baar, Peggy Blanksma, Barb Blystone, Connie Larson, Charlton Meyer, Tim Randall, Jean Stadt and Jerry & Connie Wierenga. Next Sunday, December 9, is the deadline!

### **Mission of the Month - Jeff & Lisa Boehm**

Jeff serves as the director of Project L.I.F.E. Foundation which is a group of 14 ministries that share Jesus' love with poor and marginalized people in Thailand, including former orphans, sexually abused girls, people affected by HIV/AIDS, former prostitutes, elderly living in slums, and developmentally delayed boys. Over the past year, Jeff has also been working on a special project to set up a new foundation for YWAM Bangkok, renovate the Bangkok training center, and form a more cohesive YWAM base leadership team. They thank God that we are sending them to share the gospel in tangible ways with the people in Thailand. Our offering for the Boehms will be received December 23.

### **Kids Hope**

**Prayer Gathering** will be held today in Room 1 from 11 am to noon.

**Christmas Party** with our Kids Hope families will be held this Friday, December 7 from 5:30 - 9 pm. We will begin with a pizza supper and then travel to Brookside CRC for their live nativity. Kids Hope volunteers plan to attend and make your reservation TODAY. We would like to give each of our Kids Hope families a winter family fun package. If you would be willing to give a monetary donation to help offset the cost of this, place your donation in an envelope marked "Kids Hope Christmas" and place it in the offering plate this morning. Thank you!

### **Potluck and Christmas Carols**

Join us on Sunday, Dec. 23, at 5 pm at the church for a potluck followed by a time of singing Christmas songs together. This gathering is in place of our mission groups, which are scheduled to meet that Sunday. All are welcome to join for this time of fellowship and celebration of our Savior's birth together!

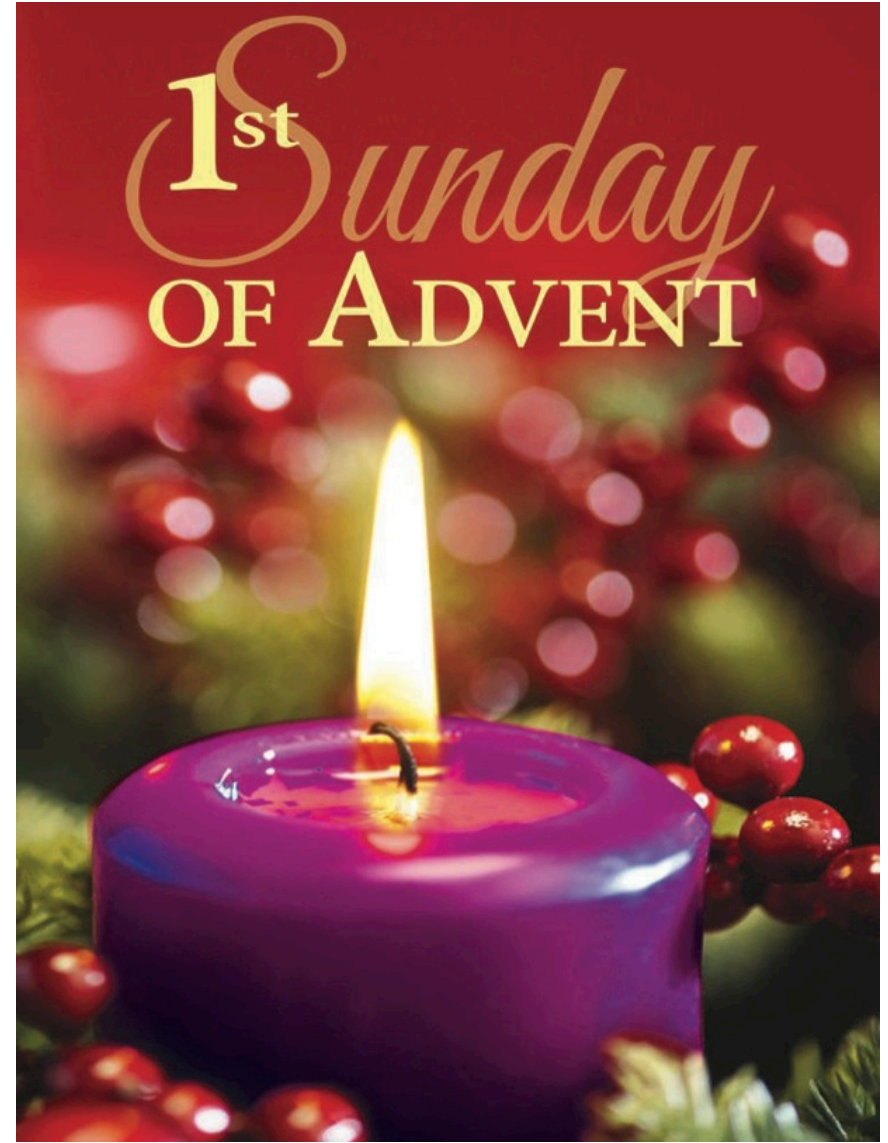
### **Consistory Nomination Update**

Last month, the consistory met to review the list of people nominated to serve as elder and deacon at Fourth. After that meeting, current elders and deacons began contacting those who were nominated. The following people have agreed to have their names drawn to serve. For Elder: Aaron Wetzell, Kurt Faasse, and Steve Wammack. For Deacon: Jeff Broene, Micah Meendering, Paul Baragar, Ryan Faasse, Scott Schalk, and Tim Brinks. We will draw names for these offices on Sunday, December 16.

### **Praise & Prayer**

Please continue to pray for **Nancy Brinks** as she struggles with her health. Pray especially that an appointment will open up for her with a specialist she needs to see, so that she can begin to get the treatment she needs.

Pray for people who are shut in and unable to connect with family and friends this holiday season. As you pray for them, consider ways you can come alongside them, whether it is through a visit, a card, or a meal.



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