



**WEEKLY SERVICE & SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF 12/19/21**

**SUNDAY SERVICE • 9:30 a.m.**

**TODAY**

Nursery is available during the service.  
 Sunday School will not meet. Classes resume on January 9.  
 All are invited to join us for Fellowship Coffee immediately following the morning service.  
 The congregation is invited to a "Harp Gathering" with 13 harpists in Second Reformed Church's sanctuary at 3:00 this afternoon.  
*The Chosen Christmas Special* • 6:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**

Christian Fellowship Hour - with Christmas Coffeetime potluck • 1:30 p.m.  
 Kingdom Kids Christmas Lesson/Party • 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
 Adult Choir • 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
 Childcare is provided during Wednesday evening activities.

**SATURDAY**

Christmas Worship Service • 9:30 a.m.

**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Prelude *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming, The First Noel  
 Away in a Manger, In Dulci Jubilo*

**OPENING AND GREETING**

Welcome and Announcements  
 Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

**PRAISE TO GOD**

Lighting of Advent Candle - PEACE Gerald & Janny Van Dusseldorp  
 Sing *It Came upon the Midnight Clear* Hymnal #251:1, 4  
 Sing *Joy Has Dawned* vs. 1 - Choir; 2 - All; 3 - Duet; \*4 - All  
 \*Sing *Angels We Have Heard on High* Hymnal #278:1, 3  
 Anthem *Bethlehem Wind*  
 Congregational Prayer  
 Sing *The First Noel* Hymnal #265:1, 6

**GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Reading Isaiah 9:2, 6-7; Hebrews 1:1-3  
 Bibles pages 1072; 1862

Sermon **"Everlasting Father and Mighty God"**

Prayer

**RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

\*Sing *Wonderful, Merciful Savior*  
 \*Blessing  
 \*Offering, as you leave Creation Station Preschool  
 \*Postlude  
 \* = Please stand, if able.

Leading in Worship: Pastor Paul Bradford; Organist: Joyce Boender  
 Worship Team; Adult Choir: Debbie Nelson - Pianist, Barbara Boertje DeVries - Director

# December 19, 2021 News and Announcements



BUILDING COURAGEOUS, AUTHENTIC CHRIST FOLLOWERS.

**OFFERINGS:** Christmas Day: Crossroads Prison Ministry; December 26: Cadet Corp International

**NURSERY:** Today: Mary Van Haaften, Lisa Vos, Kirby Van Wyngarden  
Christmas Day: Emily Boender, Stacia Veenstra, Kynlee Van Wyngarden  
December 26: Melissa Tukker, Regina Vaverka, Declan Tukker

**DOOR GREETERS:** Today: Jon & Nicole Yoder, Brent & Susan Pierson  
Christmas Day: Corey & Katie Magnussen, Kurt & Emily Boender  
December 26: Matt & Lisa Vos, Jon & Glenda Van Woerkom

**FELLOWSHIP COFFEE:** C = 3-4 Dozen Cookies; J = 1 gal. Juice; S = Serve  
Today: Tammy Bradford - C; Glenda Van Kooten - C,J,S; Sharon Walker - C,S  
December 26: Glenda Van Woerkom - C,J,S; Lisa Van Kooten - C; Lola Spoelstra - C,S

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY:** "I want to thank all those who remembered me with prayers, cards, visits and phone calls while I was in Mercy Hospital and Oskaloosa Care Center. A special thanks to Pastor Paul and Elders Jon and Les for their visits and words of comfort. Thanks be to God for His unspeakable love." - Hermina Stursma

**CHRISTMAS DAY:** We will meet for Christmas worship on Saturday at 9:30 a.m. to celebrate our Savior's birth.

**LIVE VIDEO:** Our services are live streamed and recorded each Sunday on YouTube, which can be found at <https://bit.ly/CornerstonePella>.

**MUSICALLY TALENTED CHILDREN/YOUTH** are always encouraged to play or sing in worship! If you have a special Christmas song that you'd like to share with us on Christmas Day or December 26, please contact Barbara Boertje DeVries.

**THIS EVENING (December 19),** from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., we will be showing *The Chosen Christmas Special* on the big screen in the Worship Center. This Christmas Special is currently being shown in theaters, but we are able to show it free of charge! The movie is a combination of an outstanding, professionally acted dramatization of the Christmas story along with incredible Christmas music, both traditional and contemporary, by top Christian artists and groups. This is a perfect event to invite friends to! They are guaranteed to love it, and you'll love it, too!

**TODAY** devotionals for January/February 2022 are available in a rack on the front end of the mailboxes.

**HOW TO GIVE:** Undesignated cash or check offerings go towards the mission or organization of the week. If you desire to contribute to Cornerstone Church and its ministries, simply write "Cornerstone" on the memo line of your check. You can also give online by scanning the QR code or by going online to <https://cornerstonepella.breezechms.com/give/online>.



1. Online - By logging into Breeze and clicking "Give Now" any member can donate through ACH transfer or Credit/Debit Card.
2. Mail - Checks may be mailed to the church (Cornerstone Church, 1020 E. Oskaloosa St., Pella, IA 50219) Please indicate "Attention Deacons" on the envelope.
3. Drop Off - Donations may be dropped off at the church office during office hours.

**LIFE GROUPS:** Our Winter Life Group Season begins Sunday, January 9. Life Groups at Cornerstone Church are small groups of 8-12 people that meet together every other week to share, encourage one another, pray together, and study God's Word (often using a video series or a book). We will be sharing more about Life Groups in the next couple of weeks, and will give everyone an opportunity to sign up for a group.

**PCHS ANNUAL FINANCIAL DRIVE:** If you have not yet responded to the PCHS Annual Financial Drive, please prayerfully consider giving a gift by December 31 and help to provide Christ-centered learning for our covenant young people. Donations are tax-deductible and can be dropped off or mailed to 300 Eagle Lane, Pella.

### **CRC NEWS AND PRAYER ITEMS**

**GROUNDWORK:** Christmas Hope: Bathsheba - Our stories are filled with mistakes, missteps, and moments when our best simply is not enough. Join Groundwork as we study Matthew 1:5-7 and 2 Samuel 11:1 - 12:25 to take an honest look at our brokenness, see the truth of God's abundant forgiveness, and celebrate Jesus' coming at Christmas, through the story of Bathsheba. Listen at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com)

**KIDS CORNER:** Advent: A Time of Love - Angels are cool. Did you ever wonder about angels? As you read the Christmas story, listen to the angels. Each time an angel speaks, notice that the angel describes Jesus and tells how God will change the world. Listen at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net)

**FAITH PRACTICE REFLECTION TIP** - Read Luke 14:12-14 and ponder or discuss the following questions. In this story, Jesus encourages us to offer hospitality to people who cannot repay us. In your unique context, who might that be? How might you offer food, shelter, and protection to them?

**SOUTHERN U.S. TORNADO RESPONSE** - World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS) is working with our partners and other disaster organizations to plan a response to the devastating tornadoes that hit six states in the southern U.S. on Friday, December 11. Please pray for those who have lost loved ones and possessions. To volunteer with DRS in this and other responses, email [cgibson@worldrenew.net](mailto:cgibson@worldrenew.net). To give online, click Donate at [worldrenew.net](http://worldrenew.net), call 800-552-7972, or mail your check made out to World Renew DRS with "Winter Tornadoes 2021" in the memo line to World Renew, 1700 28th St. SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49508. Your donation will be matched (up to \$100,000) by a generous World Renew donor.



**Cornerstone Church**

1020 East Oskaloosa St., Pella, IA 50219  
Phone: 641.628.2966  
Web: [cornerstonepella.org](http://cornerstonepella.org)

**Church Contact Information:**

Pastor: [pastor@cornerstonepella.org](mailto:pastor@cornerstonepella.org)  
Secretary: [secretary@cornerstonepella.org](mailto:secretary@cornerstonepella.org)  
Worship Coordinator: [worship@cornerstonepella.org](mailto:worship@cornerstonepella.org)