



WEEKLY SERVICE & SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF 12/11/22

SUNDAY SERVICE • 9:30 a.m.

TODAY

Nursery is available during the service.
 All are invited to join us for Fellowship Coffee immediately following the service.
 Instrumental Ensemble in Sanctuary • 10:35 a.m.
 Sunday School ages 3 yrs.-high school meets from 10:50-11:35 a.m.
 Youth Group • 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the church; supper provided.

TUESDAY

OTL • 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
 Christian Fellowship Hour with Potluck
 Christmas Coffeetime • 1:00 p.m.
 Christmas Program practice ages 3 - Grade 5 • 5:30-6:30 p.m.
 GEMS (2nd-8th Grade) • 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Cadets (2nd-8th Grade) • 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Adult Choir programs at The Cottages • 6:15 p.m., at Fair Haven East • 7:00 p.m.
 Childcare is provided Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Third Sunday of Advent

Prelude *Of the Father's Love Begotten*
Good Christian Friends, Rejoice
What Child Is This?
Hark! the Herald Angels Sing Liam Nieuwsma, Trumpet
 Phyllis De Vries, Piano

OPENING AND GREETING

Welcome and Announcements
 Call to Worship and Opening Prayer
 Anthem *Celtic Advent Carol*
 Lighting of Advent Candle - JOY Jacob Vaverka Family

PRAISE TO GOD

Sing *What a Glorious Night* Kaiya Van Wyngarden, Reader
 *Sing *Joy to the World* Hymnal #270:1, 3, 4
 *Professing What We Believe "Nicene Creed"
 Congregational Prayer, ending with "The Lord's Prayer"
 *Sing *Light of the Stable*

GOD'S WORD

Scripture, read by Alexis Vos & Robert Rus Luke 1:26-40

"The Hard Road to Bethlehem"

Sermon
 Prayer

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*Sing *What Child Is This?* Hymnal #281:1-3
 *Blessing
 *Offering, as you leave Christian Education Fund
 *Postlude *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

* = Please stand, if able.
 Also Leading in Worship:
 Preaching: Interim Minister Dustin DeBoef; Organist: Gerald Van Dusseldorp
 Adult Choir: Debbie Nelson - Piano, Terry McCombs - Flute, Steve McCombs - Percussion,
 Barbara Boertje DeVries - Director; Worship Team

December 11, 2022 News and Announcements



BUILDING COURAGEOUS, AUTHENTIC CHRIST FOLLOWERS.

OFFERINGS: December 18: Resonate Global Mission; December 25: Crossroads Prison Ministries

NURSERY: Today: Regina Vaverka, Melissa Tukker, Declan Tukker
December 18: Nicole Yoder, Allison Van Wyngarden, Alexis Vos

DOOR GREETERS: Today: Phil & Vicky Slings, Bernie & Lois Beekhuizen
December 18: Kurt & Emily Boender, Zach & Stacia Veenstra

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE: C = 3-4 Dozen Cookies; J = 1 gal. Juice; S = Serve
Today: Joyce Boender – C,J; Laura Branderhorst – C,J,S; Carla Nieuwsma – C,S; Lola Spoelstra – C,S
December 18: Lindsay Golliet – C,J; Debbie Nelson – C,S; Glenda Van Woerkom – C,J,S; Sharon Walker – C,S

TODAY: Our Interim Minister Dustin DeBoef will be preaching at our worship service.

NEXT SUNDAY: The 3-year-old - 5th grade Sunday School classes will present a Christmas program during the morning worship service on December 18. Sunday School classes will not meet. They resume on January 8.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY: We extend our Christian sympathies to Susan & Brent Pierson and family and Mary Ann Vander Molen on the death of their mother and sister-in-law, Cathryn Van Ee, on December 4, and to Debra Klyn, Dave & Brenda Klyn, Sidney Klyn, and Marion & Glenda Klyn on the death of their stepmother and sister-in-law, Lois Hoksbergen Klyn, on December 5. We rejoice in the hope of everlasting life in Jesus Christ.

OTL will meet this Tuesday for a Christmas potluck lunch. All ladies are welcome to join us from 11:30-12:30, just bring a dish or goodie to share as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

WEDNESDAY: Christian Fellowship Hour will be studying the first part of Lesson 5 on Mary at 1:00 p.m., followed by a potluck Christmas coffeetime.

Reminder - Children ages 3-Grade 5 will have Christmas program practice from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY AT PELLA FOOD SHELF: Help is needed to organize food donations at the Pella Food Shelf this Wednesday, December 14 at 6:30 p.m. Please let Jon Van Woerkom know (780-2638) if you can help.

CHILDREN/YOUTH interested in playing or singing Christmas music for a prelude or during one of the remaining December services, please see Barbara Boertje DeVries.

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR CORNERSTONE MISSIONARIES: A Christmas card is a great way to encourage missionaries during the holiday season. We invite you to support our missionaries by placing a greeting card in the missionary Christmas card boxes located on the table on the west wall just outside of the worship center for Ryan & Jodi Faber, Jodi Oppenhuizen, and Justin Van Zee. No envelopes are needed. **These boxes will be available through today, Dec. 11.** We will take care of addressing and mailing all cards for each missionary. Thank you for your support of our missionaries. – Cornerstone Missions Team

CANDLELIGHT SERVICES: Thank you to ALL of you who were involved in last weekend's Candlelight Services in ANY way. Our Lord was glorified and you were a blessing! Link to share: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xoZq4LNPOyI>

BATTERIES: Thank you to those of you who donated batteries recently. We have enough for now. – Barbara

DECEMBER 2022 COUNCIL REPORT:

- Welcome New Members – We welcome Mark and Syndee Droppers as new members to Cornerstone Church! Mark and Syndee are joining us from the First United Methodist Church in Yankton, South Dakota.
- 2023 Council leadership – The 2023 Council president will be Jerry Uitermarkt and vice president will be Will Van Wyngarden.
- January and February Pulpit Supply Schedule – January: 1 – Dustin DeBoef, 8 – Rick Admiraal, 15 – Scott Roose, 22 – Scott Roose, 29 – Scott Roose. February: 5 – Scott Roose, 12 (Communion) – Will Verhoef, 19 – Dustin DeBoef, 26 – Dustin DeBoef
- Thank You – We thank Pastor Dustin DeBoef for his service and many visits during his three-month term as interim pastor. Dustin plans to preach on several occasions during the first half of 2023. We also thank the Council members who are completing their terms at the end of 2022 for their service and leadership. These members are: Stu Bokhoven, Darrell Boot, Jamis Christensen, David Stevenson, and Jason Van Hal.

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 – Log into Breeze, click “Give Now”. Any member can donate through ACH transfer or Credit/Debit Card.
2. Mail – Mail checks to the church (1020 E. Oskaloosa St. Pella, IA 50219) with “Attention: Deacons” on envelope.

PCHS CHRISTMAS CONCERT: The music department of the Pella Christian High School invites you to “The Sounds of Christmas”. This concert will present music focused on the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the PCHS Vermeer Auditorium. The concert will present the message of Christmas in word and song. Please join us for an evening filled with the musical joy recognized as part of the Christmas season.

PCHS ANNUAL FINANCIAL DRIVE: The Pella Christian High School Annual Financial Drive is currently underway. If you have not yet responded, please consider prayerfully how you may help to provide Christ-Centered learning for our covenant young people.

LEGACY OF GRACE DONATIONS: Support Christian Education and receive a tax credit! The Legacy of Grace Student Tuition Organization (LOG/STO) supports families who desire a Christ-Centered education and offers a 75% tax credit against your taxes. This means a \$1,000 donation reduces your taxes by \$750! You can also increase the 75% tax credit of your gift by donating stock, grain and any Required Mandatory Distributions (RMDs) if you are at least 75 years of age. Learn more about the STO program or download the donation form on the school website home page. Questions? Contact Mike Vermeer at 641-780-8089.

OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: You are invited to Oskaloosa Christian School’s performance of *The Lion King, Jr.* by our 5th-8th graders on Thursday and Friday, December 15 & 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the George Daily Auditorium, 1800 North 3rd Street. Admission is free, but we invite you to bring a food item for our local Ecumenical Cupboard.

ANSWERED PRAYERS FROM NEW LIFE PRISON CHURCH! “New Life can return on Tuesday, December 13! They will allow only 3 volunteers per session so we are recruiting mentors, who minister one to one. If there is someone in your church who could become a mentor, let Rick Admiraal know (pastorrick@newlife-prison.org). Thank you so much for praying and pray that the doors will open even farther.”

A LEGACY HOME CHRISTMAS: Come and enjoy a night of elegant dining and beautiful Christmas music, while getting the opportunity to be a part of an amazing work in the Philippines on Saturday, December 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Vermeer Global Pavilion. Reserve a table of eight or just join as a couple or individual. A free will offering taken for The Legacy Home. RSVP by calling 641-232-0049 or email ddeboefs2miracles@yahoo.com.

THE DORDT UNIVERSITY CONCERT CHOIR invites you to a concert on Thursday, January 5, 7:30 p.m. at Pella Faith CRC. A freewill offering will be received to help defray tour expenses.

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