



WEEKLY SERVICE & SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF 12/18/22

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.

Youth Group • 4:00 p.m. at the church; supper provided.

MONDAY

Men's Bible Study • 6:00-7:00 a.m.

Perk Up • 9:00-10:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Adult Choir • 6:30-8:30 p.m. (Childcare provided)

WORSHIP SERVICE

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Christmas Carol Medley
Hark! the Herald Angels Sing
Angels We Have Heard on High
Go, Tell It on the Mountain
Silent Night!
Joy to the World!

Phyllis De Vries, Organ
 Liam Nieuwsma, Trumpet
 Jonah Golliet, Piano
 Leah Nieuwsma, Piano
 Lydia Nieuwsma, Violin
 Noah Golliet, Violin

OPENING AND GREETING

Welcome and Announcements
 Call to Worship and Opening Prayer
 Lighting the Advent Candle of LOVE
 Sing

The First Noel

Brent Van Kooten Family
 Hymnal #265:1-6

Children's Christmas Program **"ABC Christmas Story"**

Come on Ring Those Bells

Welcome Leah, Jack
 Narrators Lydia, Noah
Angel Kaiya
Bethlehem Braden
Cattle Jayden

Song *Away in a Manger*

David Garrett
East Garrett
Frankincense Aiden

Sing - *We Three Kings* Hymnal #288:1

God Leah
Herod Logan
Immanuel Jackson
Joseph Jackson
King Jack
Love Olivia
Mary Carli
Night Carli

Sing - *Silent Night!* Hymnal #253:1
Omega Addilyn
Pondering Austyn
Quickly Layton
Rejoice Graham
Savior Owen
Tidings Lilah
 *Sing - *Joy to the World!* Hymnal #270:1
Us Lilah
Virgin Ellet
Wonderful Rhett
X - Christ Jonah
Yes Jonah
Zeal Everly
Closing Kaiya

Song - *Happy Birthday, Jesus*

Supporting Cast: Lane, Kasen, Logan, Serenity, Mason, Jonah

Directors: Linda Van Dyke, Susan Pierson, Paula Klyn (also Pianist)

Thank you to everyone who helped make this program possible. We especially want to thank Phil Slings for building the beautiful stable.

Congregational Prayer

GOD'S WORD

Scripture read by Bryan & Carolyn Harthoorn - Luke 2:8-18

Bibles - page 1591

Sermon

"The Hard Road to Bethlehem" - Part 2

Pastor Dustin DeBoef

Prayer

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*Sing

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Hymnal #250:1-4

*Blessing

*Offering - as you leave

*Postlude

O Come, All Ye Faithful
Angels We Have Heard on High

Resonate Global Mission
 Instrumental Ensemble

December 18, 2022 News and Announcements



BUILDING COURAGEOUS, AUTHENTIC CHRIST FOLLOWERS.

OFFERINGS: December 25: Crossroads Prison Ministries

NURSERY: Today: Nicole Yoder, Allison Van Wyngarden, Alexis Vos
December 25: Brooke Van Woerkom, Taylor Vande Voort

DOOR GREETERS: Today: Kurt & Emily Boender, Zach & Stacia Veenstra
December 25: Brian & Glenda Van Kooten, Jon & Nicole Yoder

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE: C = 3-4 Dozen Cookies; J = 1 gal. Juice; S = Serve

Today: Lindsay Golliet – C,J; Debbie Nelson – C,S; Glenda Van Woerkom – C,J,S; Sharon Walker – C,S

December 25: Jeanetta Nieuwsma – C,J; Ruth Van Hal – C,S; Arlys Veenstra – C,J,S; Lola Spoelstra – C,S

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

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

HARP GATHERING: You are invited to enjoy an hour of beautiful music by area harpists TODAY, December 18, 3:00 p.m. in Second Reformed Church's Gathering Space.

MONDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Mondays, 6:00-7:00 a.m. at Cornerstone. We will be studying the Athanasian Creed. We will not meet on January 2. Our next meeting will be on January 16. If you have any questions, talk to Dave Stevenson.

PINEWOOD DERBY CAR KITS: Our church's GEMS and Cadets pinewood derby races are on Wednesday, March 8. The congregation, young and old, is also invited to make a car and race for Speed in the open class! Please see any of the Cadet counselors for a car kit and race rules.

LEGACY TRIP: Anyone interested in a Legacy trip to the Philippines this summer, please meet with Dustin after the service this morning to find out more.

LIFE GROUPS: Are you interested in joining or leading a Life Group? Please sign up on the sheet on the table by the Audio-Visual door. If you have any questions, contact Regina Vaverka.

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.



TODAY DEVOTIONALS for January/February are in the rack on the mailboxes.

THE DORDT UNIVERSITY CONCERT CHOIR invites you to a concert on Thursday, January 5, 7:30 p.m. at Pella Faith CRC. This is the first in a winter music tour series with performances in Iowa, North Dakota, and Minnesota. A freewill offering will be received to help defray tour expenses.

DORDT STUDENT HOUSING NEEDED JANUARY 5-6, 2023: Would you be willing and able to provide overnight housing for 2-6 Dordt students after their January 5 concert at Pella Faith CRC? Students will need sleeping and shower accommodations, breakfast, and transportation to Faith CRC the next morning by 8:30 a.m. Please call or text Myrna (641-780-0036) to help with this need. Thanks for your hospitality!

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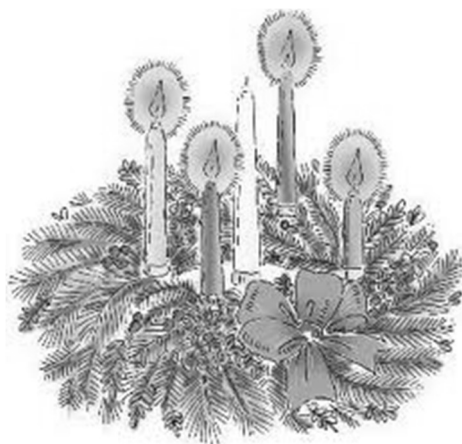
CRC NEWS AND PRAYER ITEMS

GROUNDWORK: Joseph: The Virgin Birth and Prophecies Fulfilled – It isn't until Joseph receives angelic confirmation that he believes the miracle of the virgin birth. Join Groundwork as we study Matthew 1:18-25 to discuss how this fulfills Old Testament prophecies and gives us confidence to trust in God's continued presence and faithfulness in our lives as we prepare for his second coming. Listen at GroundworkOnline.com

KIDS CORNER: Advent: Love as an Action – People usually think of love as a feeling. Did you ever think of love as an action? Well God's love is active! Listen at kidscorner.net

AT HOME FAITH FORMATION TIP: During Advent we light the candle of Peace. Through Jesus Christ, God gives us peace. In what area of your life do you most need God's peace? How might you be a peacemaker this week? Wonder and talk about that this week.

Begin 2023 with Free CRC Leadership Training - Register now to take the Thriving Essentials virtual training in January at no cost (limit 25 persons). The two, 2-hour-long Zoom sessions (Jan. 11 & 18) can help get all church leaders on the same page concerning the key concepts of Mission, Discipleship, Discernment, and Leadership. Take the class for yourself, then decide if attendance would benefit your core church leadership. More info at: crcna.org/Thrive



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