



**WEEKLY SERVICE & SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF 12/04/22**

**SUNDAY SERVICE • 9:30 a.m.**

**TODAY**

Nursery is available during the service.  
C4C (Children for Christ)(3 yrs.-Preschool) are dismissed when indicated on the screen.  
Visitors are welcome! Parents may pick up their child in the preschool room after the service.  
All are invited to join us for Fellowship Coffee immediately following the service.  
Sunday School ages 3 yrs.-high school meets from 10:50-11:35 a.m.  
Candlelight Service • 6:00 p.m.

**MONDAY**

Men’s Bible Study • 6:00-7:00 a.m.  
Perk Up • 9:00-10:00 a.m.  
Council Meeting • 6:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**

GEMS (2nd-8th Grade) • 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
Cadets (2nd-8th Grade) • 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
Adult Christmas Choir Rehearsal • 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Childcare is provided Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**WORSHIP SERVICE  
Second Sunday of Advent**

Prelude *Lo, How a Rose; Hark, the Glad Sound  
Impromptu on ‘Gloria’*

**OPENING AND GREETING**

Welcome and Announcements  
Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

**PRAISE TO GOD**

Lighting of Advent Candle – PEACE Dan Schreur Family  
\*Sing *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* Hymnal #245:1-4  
\*Sing *Emmanuel* Hymnal #243  
Song *Hope Was Born This Night*  
Congregational Prayer, ending with The Lord’s Prayer  
\*Sing *Angels We Have Heard on High* Hymnal #278:1, 3,4

**GOD’S WORD**

Sermon **“Forgotten First Love”**  
Prayer

**RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD**

\*Sing *There Is a Redeemer* Hymnal #308:1-3

**COMMUNION**

\*Sing  
Be near us, Lord Jesus, we ask You to stay close by us forever, and love us, we pray. Bless our congregation in Your tender care. And fit us for heaven, to live with You there.

\*Blessing  
\*Offering, as you leave Geneva Campus Ministries in Iowa City  
\*Postlude

\* = Please stand, if able.  
Leading in Worship this morning:  
Preaching: Interim Pastor Dustin DeBoef; Assisting: Dave Stevenson  
Prelude Pianist: Ruth Stevenson; Organist: Joyce Boender; Worship Team

# December 4, 2022 News and Announcements



BUILDING COURAGEOUS, AUTHENTIC CHRIST FOLLOWERS.

**OFFERINGS:** December 11: Christian Education Fund; December 18: Resonate Global Mission; December 25: Crossroads Prison Ministries

**NURSERY:** Today: Stacia Veenstra, Kim Hoekstra, Ciera Rose  
December 11: Regina Vaverka, Melissa Tukker, Declan Tukker

**DOOR GREETERS:** Today: Les & Carla Nieuwsma, Jeff & Kim Vander Molen  
December 11: Phil & Vicky Slings, Bernie & Lois Beekhuizen

**FELLOWSHIP COFFEE:** C = 3-4 Dozen Cookies; J = 1 gal. Juice; S = Serve  
Today: Terry McCombs – C,J,S; Megan Nieuwsma – C,J; Marilyn Vander Molen – C,S; Sharon Walker – C,S  
December 11: Joyce Boender – C,J; Laura Branderhorst – C,J,S; Carla Nieuwsma – C,S; Lola Spoelstra – C,S

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

This morning we look forward to partaking of the Lord's Supper. We joyfully anticipate receiving the benefits of Christ's salvation as we receive the bread and cup in faith. If you have put your faith in Jesus as your Lord and Savior, and are seeking to faithfully follow Him, you are welcome to join us at the table.

**CANDLELIGHT SERVICE:** If you didn't attend last evening's Candlelight Service, please join us in the sanctuary at 6:00 this evening!

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY:** "I want to thank everyone for the many birthday wishes and beautiful cards I received for my birthday. They were much appreciated. May God bless you all." - Viola De Vries

**MONDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Mondays, 6:00-7:00 a.m. at Cornerstone. We will be studying the Nicene Creed. If you have any questions, talk to Dave Stevenson.

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

**INSTRUMENTALISTS OF ALL AGES:** If you are interested in an opportunity to play Christmas carols, please see Barbara Boertje DeVries. Our next rehearsal will be Sunday, December 11.

**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 until Sunday, 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

**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.

**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.

**PEORIA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL** invites you to join us in celebrating the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Our annual Christmas Program will be Friday, December 9, 7:00 p.m. at Peoria CRC. Using instruments and voice, students will be sharing the story of our Savior's birth. Please join us for this evening of celebrating the Christmas season.

**OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL:** Everyone is invited to Oskaloosa Christian School's performance of *The Lion King, Jr.* presented by our 5th-8th graders. Show times will be Thursday, December 15, and Friday, December 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the George Daily Auditorium located at 1800 North 3rd Street in Oskaloosa. Admission is free to the public, but we invite you to bring along a food item to donate to our local Ecumenical Cupboard.

**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. The meal is free; a free will offering taken for The Legacy Home. RSVP by calling 641-232-0049 or email [ddeboefs2miracles@yahoo.com](mailto:ddeboefs2miracles@yahoo.com).

#### CRC NEWS AND PRAYER ITEMS

**GROUNDWORK:** Zechariah, Elizabeth, and John the Baptist: Preparing the Way for Jesus - Just like we prepare for Christmas, God prepared the world for salvation. Join Groundwork as we study Luke 1:5-25, 57-66 to witness how Zechariah, Elizabeth, and their son, John the Baptist, prepare the way for Jesus' birth and allow their message to prepare our hearts again for Jesus' second coming. Listen at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com)

**KIDS CORNER:** God Brings Peace - Look for ways you can be a peacemaker this Advent season. If you have any friends or family members who haven't trusted Jesus, tell them about how He came to earth to bring peace between us and God. You can also find ways to make things easier, less worrisome, or less lonely for people in need. Listen at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net).

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