



**WEEKLY SERVICE & SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF 12/24/23**

**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.

Sunday School will resume on January 7.

**WORSHIP SERVICE**

Prelude

*Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*  
*O Little Town of Bethlehem*  
*Angels We Have Heard on High*  
*The Little Drummer Boy*

Gerald Van Dusseldorp,  
 Debbie Nelson – Organists

Percussion Ensemble

**OPENING AND GREETING**

Welcome and Announcements

Elder Joe Van Haften

\*Call to Worship

\*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

**PRAISE TO GOD**

Bagpipes Solo

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

\*Sing

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

Hymn #249:1-3

*It Came upon the Midnight Clear*

Hymn #251:1, 4

Lighting of Advent Candle – PEACE

Jason, Kayla, Carli, Logan & Nolan Jiskoot

Vocal Duet

*O Holy Night*

Glenda Van Woerkom, Lisa Zylstra

Children's Message

Bev De Vries

\*Sing

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You*

Hymn #271:1-2

Congregational Prayer, ending with The Lord's Prayer

\*Sing

*What Child Is This?*

Hymn #281:1-3

**GOD'S WORD**

Scripture, read by Jon Van Haften and Nicole Yoder

Luke 2:1-20

Sermon

**"Mary's Treasure"**

Prayer

**RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

Lighting of CHRIST Candle

Shane, Melissa, Carson, Ethan & Declan Tukker

Anthem

*Glory to God in the Highest*

\*Blessing

\*Sing

*Joy to the World*

\*Offering, as you leave

Bible League International

\*Postlude

*Joy to the World*

\* = Please stand, if able.

Leading in Worship:

Guest Preacher/Bagpiper: Erik Kamp; Organist: Gerald Van Dusseldorp  
 Percussion Ensemble - Steve McCombs, Arranger; Trumpeter: Robert Rus  
 Men's Quartet: Calvin Roose, Joe Van Haften, Dan Zylstra, Will Van Wyngarden  
 Adult Choir, Debbie Nelson – Pianist, Barbara Boertje DeVries – Director

# December 24, 2023 News and Announcements



BUILDING COURAGEOUS, AUTHENTIC CHRIST FOLLOWERS.

**OFFERINGS:** December 31: Calvin Theological Seminary

**NURSERY:** Today: Brooke Van Woerkom, Taylor Vande Voort, Kynlee V. W.  
Dec. 31: Kayla Jiskoot, Brent Pierson, Alexis V.

**DOOR GREETERS:** Today: Brent & Susan Pierson, Dennis & Bev De Vries  
Dec. 31: Brian & Glenda Van Kooten, Brent & Lisa Van Kooten

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

Today: Barb Gosselink – C,J,S; Stephanie Roose – C,J; Mary Van Haften – C,S; Lola Spoelstra – C,S.  
Dec. 31: Lois Beekhuizen – C,J,S; Sheryl Goodyk – C; April Nieuwsma – C,J,S; Sharon Walker – C,S

**TODAY:** Pastor Erik Kamp, Associate Pastor at Oskaloosa I CRC, will be preaching for our “Christmas” service. Welcome to Visitors! If we may reach out to you and you would like to know more about Cornerstone, please fill out a card found in the seatbacks, and put it in the offering plate as you leave. Sunday School classes do not meet. They will resume on January 7.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Dave Stevenson will be preaching next Sunday.

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY:** We wish a happy birthday to Jerry Marble, who will celebrate his 83rd birthday on December 27, and pray for God’s continued blessings on his life.

**ADULT CHOIR** will resume regular Wednesday rehearsals on January 3, 2024. New Choir members are welcome! See Barbara Boertje DeVries for more information.

**PASTOR CONTACT INFORMATION:** Interim Pastor Paul Hoekstra’s phone is (562) 396-8966; Ellen’s phone is (562) 331-4656. Please answer if we call, even though it seems like we are calling from California. Our email address is pehoeks72@aol.com. Feel free to contact us any time.

**TODAY DEVOTIONALS** for January/February and Prayer Guides for January are in the rack on the mailboxes. You are encouraged to pick up a copy.

**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.

## **UPCOMING EVENT FOR YOUR CALENDARS:**

• Prayer Group – Tuesday, January 9, 6:00 a.m. (See Jeff Vander Molen for details.)

**PRAYING FOR PCHS:** Pella Christian High School supporters are encouraged to uplift our students and staff through a night of prayer at PCHS on Thursday, January 11 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This is a come-and-go event. Prayer requests will be written within classrooms to help guide the prayers of those that attend.

**VAN SUBSTITUTE DRIVERS:** Peoria Christian School is grateful to the two individuals who have stepped forward to help provide van transportation for our students. We continue to look for substitute drivers to fill in when we have a need. If you are able to assist as a substitute driver, please contact Jeremy Copenhaver ([principal@peoriachr.org](mailto:principal@peoriachr.org)).

## CRC NEWS AND PRAYER ITEMS

**GROUNDWORK:** Jesus: Our Prince of Peace – As we celebrate Christmas, join Groundwork as we study Isaiah 9:6, Psalm 137, Isaiah 49:6, Isaiah 53:4-12, Ephesians 2:14-19, and Luke 23:1-21 to discover the deep and meaningful shalom Jesus brought to us in his birth, that he promises to establish permanently when he returns and how we can be his agents of peace in our world here and now. Listen at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com).

**KIDS CORNER:** Christmas Love for God's Global Family – Just like the wise men, we can choose to follow Jesus. By accepting the gift of his love, we give him a big gift: our hearts. God's family is together by the love of Jesus, which was shown on the first Christmas. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) like the Bible story podcast "The Wise Men".

**FAMILY FIRE** – is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at [familyfire.com](http://familyfire.com).



*O come let us  
Adore Him*

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