

Sunday, December 1, 2024

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Psalm 105:1

THANK YOU to those who are serving us during worship today.

MUSICIANS: Jan Johnson & Angie Meester

THIS WEEK AT PARKERSBURG CRC

Today 9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service

Next Sunday 9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to John and Ellen Hanna, who will be observing their 57th anniversary on December 1.

Please remember those of our congregation who live alone and those alone in care facilities through a phone call or a card.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is invited for coffee and fellowship following the worship service this morning. There is a sign-up sheet on the counter for volunteers to serve.

There will be no second offering next Sunday.

We welcome Klay Hoppenworth to our pulpit this morning.

Sunshine Circle will not meet this week. It has been moved to Wednesday, December 11.

Gift bags are in the fellowship hall for everyone to drop a Christmas card in for four of the members of our congregation. Please have your cards in the gift bags by Sunday, December 22.

The Aplington Community Club is sponsoring a giving tree this year. There are six tags in the fellowship hall with items that residents of Maple Manor could use or would like for Christmas. If you would like to take a tag, please write your name on the sign-up sheet with the

code number from your tag. I will also have a tag for the members of our congregation that are alone or in a nursing home. You do not have to purchase everything that is listed on the tags. Maybe you would want to join with another family with one tag. It's just nice for the residents to have some of the things that they normally would not get. Any questions please contact Deb.

Christmas Cookies and Tasty Treats: Let Timothy Christian School do the baking for you this season! You are invited to attend Timothy Christian School's Cookie Walk on Friday, December 6 from 8-10:30 AM at the United Reformed Church in Wellsburg (608 S. Adams). Select from trays and trays of wonderfully decorated cookies, candies, and more. Fill up a box available at the church and pay by the pound. Relax as you enjoy a complimentary piece of homemade coffee cake with a cup of hot cider or coffee. Snowman clay ornaments made by the art students will be available for purchase. To place an order for delivery in the area, please call 641-869-3679 on Thursday, December 5 between 8:30 AM - 3 PM or 641-869-3633 on Friday, December 3 from 8-10 AM to make arrangements.

We are incredibly thankful for the progress we've made in meeting our budget this year. However, as we approach the end of the year, we still have further to go to fully meet our financial needs. We encourage you to prayerfully consider how you might be able to help us close the gap. Every gift makes a difference. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to our church family.

Upcoming Speakers:

December 1 – Klay Hoppenworth

December 8 – Dale Akkerman

December 15 – D.J. Steen

December 22 – David Harms

December 25 – Randy Aalderks

December 29 – Shannon Ries

The General Fund collection for November 24 was \$1,098.00.
The target amount for each week is \$2,248.10. The collection for Student Connection totaled \$50.00.

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 19:

Q: How do you come to know this?

A: The holy gospel tells me. God himself began to reveal the gospel already in Paradise; later, he proclaimed it by the holy patriarchs and prophets, and portrayed it by the sacrifices and other ceremonies of the law; finally, he fulfilled it through his own dear Son.

-HC and ME: The Heidelberg Catechism for Christian Living (2006), Faith Alive Christian Resources

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

December 1, 2024 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Advent Reading – Time to Go Home

Song: TCH 275 **Sing We Now of Christmas**
TCH 245 **O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund
2) Butler County Christmas Cheer

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Romans 5:15** (pg. 1753)

Message: **AGE OF GRACE PART 2**

Prayer of Dedication

**RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND
SERVICE**

*Hymn: TCH 343 **Amazing Grace**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 243 **Emmanuel**

*Postlude