

Sunday, December 11, 2022

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
10:30 a.m. – Congregational Meeting
10:45 a.m. – Sunday School
11:00 a.m. – Christmas Dinner
Next Sunday 9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service
10:45 a.m. – Sunday School
4:00 p.m. – Home for Christmas

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to John & Ellen Hanna, who observed their 55th anniversary on December 1.

Congratulations to Mark and Lanae Kramer, who will be observing their 51st anniversary on December 17.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is invited for coffee and fellowship following the worship service this morning.

The second offering next Sunday will be for the A-P Food Pantry.

Our Congregational Meeting will be immediately after this morning's worship service.

Our Christmas Holiday meal is being served today following our Congregational meeting. Join us for food, fun and fellowship to celebrate this special season with friends and family. This will be Meal Number Twelve! It has been such a joy for us to prepare the meals but even better are the smiles and laughter we see and hear in our Fellowship Hall. The generosity of those bringing food and desserts, along with the financial support and kitchen help, makes us think we will keep doing these meals. for all of us to enjoy! Thanks! - **Angie and Jan**

The annual “*Home For Christmas*” program will be Sunday, December 18 at 4:00 p.m. in the Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church at 807 Grant St. The Union High School ***Victorian Singers*** will be there as well as ***“Tuba Tim and the Dohrn/Haug***s. Coffee and punch will follow the program. Hope to see you there.

The gift bags for Christmas greetings for our shut-ins are in the Fellowship Hall. The opportunity to place cards in the bags will run through December 18.

Care Initiatives Hospice currently has hospice patients at Parker Place who would benefit from a volunteer. This opportunity is extremely flexible and can be as much or as little a time commitment as the volunteer desires. There are no special skills or experience necessary since the volunteer is primarily for companionship/socialization. If you are interested, please contact Christine Dornbusch at 319-232-6148 or cdornbusch@careinitiatives.org.

The General Fund Collection for December 4 was \$2,855.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,126.68.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 11, 11:00 a.m. – Christmas Dinner (after service)
Dec. 18, 4:00 p.m. – Home for Christmas feat. Union Victorian Carolers

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

Morning Service

December 11, 2022 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship: **Responsive Reading – Isaiah 25:1, 9**

*Song: TCH 269 **How Great Our Joy!**

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Advent Candle Lighting – Joy

Song: TCH 271 **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You**

Scripture: **Jeremiah 33:14-22** (pg. 1232)

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund
2) Faith Promise

*Song: TCH 249 **O Come, All Ye Faithful**

Advent Reading

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Hebrews 1:1-6** (pg. 1862)

Message: **WHO IS THIS SON**

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 259 **Angels, From the Realms of Glory**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 243 **Emmanuel**

*Postlude

The council meeting of December 5, 2022 was opened by the reading of Psalm 24. Prayer was given by Pastor Rus.

Article 1 Minutes of the November 7, 2022 meeting were read and approved.

Article 2 Correspondence was reviewed.

Article 3 Ministry Reports and Concerns

- Pastors Report: A monthly report of activities and mileage was received for information.
- Elders Report: No report
- Pulpit Committee (Kevin): No report
- Worship Committee (Dale): No report
- Attendance Report (Clayton): Average attendance was 50 people with 9 live streaming.
- Outreach Committee (Ken and Joel): An outreach plan was discussed.
- Discipleship Committee (Mike): No Sunday School or Young people for December.
- Building and Grounds Committee (Kevin and Ryan): Further talk was done on new lights and shades in the fellowship hall.

Article 4 Financial Reports and Concerns

- Receipts of \$10,612.45 was received. Budget amount of \$9,215.60 is needed a month. Giving us \$1,396.85 profit for the month. With a YTD of -\$4,965.10.

Article 5 Old Business

- Code of Conduct was reviewed.
- Discussed the proposed budget for 2023.
- Congregational meeting is set for December 11.

Article 6 New Business

- No new business to discuss.

Article 7 Motion was made and supported to adjourn the meeting.

Article 8 Concept minutes were read and approved.

Article 9 Closing prayer was given by Mike Ascher.

Pastor Rus
Ken Meester, Clerk

Members present:
Pastor Rus
Mike Ascher
Ryan Edeker
Dale Meester
Ken Meester
Kevin Meester

Member absent:
Joel Reints