Sunday, December 2, 2018 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, Jodi DeBerg, & Angie Meester **GREETERS.** Today – North Door – Mike Ascher Family South Door - Dave & Betty Mulder Next Sunday: North Door – Mike Stirling Family South Door – Marlyn & Marcia Allspach **USHERS.** Today – Luke Edeker Next Sunday – Rollyn DeGroot VALET PARKING. Today – Pat Prier Next Sunday – Dale Meester COFFEE SERVERS. This week - Clarence & June Karsjens Next week – Steve & Charlene Kramer SUNDAY SCHOOL. This week – Kayla & Shelly Next week – Kay & Amy Please note: If there are any differences between the schedule in the bulletin and the schedule in the Shepherd's Staff, please follow the schedule in the Shepherd's Staff.

## THIS WEEK AT PARKERSBURG CRC

Today	9:30 a.m. – Worship Service
-	10:45 a.m. – Sunday School
	4:00 p.m. – Welcome Christmas Community
	Service
Monday	7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting
Tuesday	1:30 p.m. – Knitting and Crochet Group
Wednesday	1:30 p.m. – Sunshine Circle Christmas Tea
	6:15 p.m. – Life Plus
Next Sunday	9:30 a.m. – Worship Service
	10:45 a.m. – Sunday School
	6:00 p.m. – Worship Service

#### **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

Please remember our sick and shut-ins in your prayers.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

There will be no second offering next Sunday.

**Council will meet** on Monday, December 3 at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

**Hook and Needles Knitting and Crochet Group** will meet on Tuesday, December 4, at 1:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

**The Sunshine Circle** will be having their annual Christmas Tea this coming Wednesday, December 5 at 1:30 PM in the church fellowship hall. We have invited a guest speaker, Mayra Thompson, to speak to us. There will be singing of carols, some games, some gifts, and a delicious lunch served by Kay and Marcia. All ladies of the church are invited and it would be fine with us to bring a friend with you, along with memories of past Christmas events. What a good way to begin the Advent season!!!

## 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 7 from 8:30-11am at the United Reformed Church in Wellsburg (608 S. Adams). Select from trays and trays of wonderfully decorated cookies and candies. 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. Clay angel ornaments made by the art students will also be available for purchase. To place an order for delivery in the area, please call 641-869-3679 on Thursday, December 6 before 3 pm. We look forward to seeing you!

## **The General Fund Collection** for November 25 was \$1,519.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,411.00.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Dec 2 – 9:30 am – First Sunday of Advent Dec 5 – 1:30 pm – Sunshine Circle Christmas Tea Dec 12 – 6:30 pm – Sunday School / Life Plus Christmas Program Dec 16 – 6:00 pm – A Very Victorian Home for Christmas Dec 24 – 7:00 pm – Candlelight Service Dec 25 – 9:30 am – Christmas Day Service Dec 26 & Jan 2 – No Life Plus Jan 9 – 6:15 pm – Life Plus Resumes Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church Morning Service December 2, 2018 – 9:30 AM <u>WE COME NEAR TO GOD</u>

Prelude

Welcome

## Call to Worship:

Leader: In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream into it. Many peoples shall come and say,

# All: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach is his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

Leader: For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

All: O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

\*Song: PH 335 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

\*God's Greeting

\*Mutual Greeting

Advent Reading: Isaiah 9

\*Hymn: TCH 288 We Three Kings

## Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund 2) Building Improvement

Hymn: TCH 285 O Holy Night

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

Scripture: Isaiah 11:1-10 (pg. 1076)

Message: THE GOOD STANDARD

Prayer of Dedication

# **RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE**

\*Hymn: TCH 290 As with Gladness Men of Old

\*God's Blessing

\*Closing Song: TCH 269 (v. 4) How Great Our Joy

\*Postlude