

Sunday, December 28, 2025

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
	10:30 a.m. – Meat and Greet Meal
	11:30 a.m. – Council Meeting

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to Mel Riebkes, who will be observing his 94th birthday on January 2.

Please remember Lois Mennen in your prayers. She has an infection in her right eye and needs eye drops every two hours. When that clears up, she may have surgery to remove a small growth in that eye. Also remember Dennis and others as they help take care of her.

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 Steve Debner to our pulpit this morning.

Pastor Kevin Van Wyk will be the minister for the service on January 4. He has been interviewing with the search committee and we are hopeful that he will want to join us as our minister. We ask that everyone who is able please attend the service that day. We will be having a meal after the service.

Are you wondering when the next Fellowship Meal will be served? The answer is January 4th after the service. There will be a "MEAT and GREET" buffet. This will be a great time to get to meet the Van Wyks! Please bring all kinds of or your favorite salads, veggies and desserts that you think go well with meatballs and ham balls! We will make some mashed potatoes. Anybody getting hungry?

Council will meet on Sunday, January 4, after the meal.

Starting January 4, the deacons will begin picking up the offering again.

The Sunshine Circle would like to **THANK** all of you that participated in the NOVEMBER THANK OFFERING. We were able to add \$265.00 to the checking account! This will help us to keep buying kitchen supplies, cards, stamps and flowers for special occasions! And we can still support our missionaries and other projects. We appreciate your gifts.

The General Fund collection for December 14 was \$2,384.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,248.10. The collection for Faith Promise totaled \$120.00.

SPEC'N DICKEN / PANCAKE FUNDRAISER MEAL:

Please join Timothy Christian School for an authentic German spec'n dicken pancake meal served with applesauce and drink at the Parkersburg Veterans Building on Monday, January 12, 2025. Serving from 4:30-7 PM. Regular pancakes are also served. Sugar-free syrup available. Carry-outs available. Free will donation. We hope to see you there!

Upcoming Speakers:

December 28 – Steve Debner
January 4 – Kevin Van Wyk
January 11 – Travis Konig
January 18 – Randy Raak
January 25 – Brent Janssen

If you need someone to perform pastoral duties, please contact one of the Elders:

Ken Mehmen – (319) 269-1184
Pat Prier – (641) 640-4080
Mike Ascher – (319) 239-0637

Please feel free to contact any Council member with any questions you might have.

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 122:

Q: What does the first request mean?

A: Hallowed be your name means, help us to really know you, to bless, worship, and praise you for all your works and for all that shines forth from them; your almighty power, wisdom, kindness, justice, mercy, and truth. And it means, help us to direct all our living – what we think, say, and do, so that your name will never be blasphemed because of us but always honored and praised.

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

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

December 28, 2025 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Song: TCH 207 **We Have Come to Join in Worship**

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Advent Reading

Song: TCH 526 **The Solid Rock**

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund
2) A-P Food Pantry

*Hymn: TCH 786 **Count Your Blessings** (verses 1,2,4)

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Psalm 34:8** (pg. 871)

Message: **TASTE AND SEE**

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 682 **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 237 **Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing**

*Postlude