Sunday, December 29, 2013

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD Almighty! My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. Psalm 84:1,2

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

MUSICIAN: Angie Meester

GREETERS. Today -North door - Dennis & Sharon Schipper

South door – Don & Annie Allspach

Next week – North door – Mark & Lanae Kramer

South door – Ken & Janet Johnson

USHERS. Today, a.m. – Mark Kramer

Next week, a.m. – Gerald Haan

COFFEE SERVERS. This week – Cory & Kamie Shepard

Next week- Paul & Gerald Haan

THIS WEEK AT PARKERSBURG CRC

Today 9:30 a.m. –Worship Service

10:45 a.m. - Sunday School and Catechism

6:00 p.m. - Worship Service

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. – New Year's Morning Service

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

10:45 a.m. - Sunday School and Catechism

6:00 p.m. – Worship Services

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Sharon DeVries was released from the hospital on Tuesday, 12/24. The fluid was removed from her leg and chest and she is wearing a special boot and using crutches so she doesn't put any weight on her foot. Thank you for your concern and your prayers.

Thank you. We want to thank the congregation for all the Christmas Cards received. We count it a blessing to have stayed as part of the Parkersburg CRC family. A special thanks to Pastor Rus for ministering to us so faithfully. From experience we know how busy a pastor can be during the holiday season. We thank you for your ministry and messages.

Pastor Frank and Betty

Thank you to all who remembered me this Christmas season. It was great to hear from you all. **Madaline Geiken**

Mary and I wish to thank the congregation for your prayers and thoughtfulness during my brother Tom's illness and passing. Your love and support have been a real blessing. It is wonderful to be a part of this church family.

Pastor Rus and Mary Boersma

Pastor Rus and Mary extend thanks to all who expressed Christmas greetings and for the gifts we have received. We are blessed to be here with all of you.

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way with all the Christmas programs! The programs help make this a special time of year in our church and we couldn't have them without all the volunteer help we receive! Your time and actions do not go unnoticed. Thanks again.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Our New Year's Morning Service will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday morning.

There will be no **Life Plus** on January 1.

Meal Delivery. It will be our turn to deliver meals during the month of January. A calendar can be found in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up for the times you would like to deliver meals.

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WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude:

Welcome

Call to Worship:

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

*God's Greeting:

*Mutual Greeting

Old Testament Reading:

Hymn of Response: TCH 292

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: Luke 2:21- 40 (pg. 1591)

Message: **RECEIVING THE PROMISE**

Prayer of Dedication

SERVICE OF CONSECRATION

Hymn of Gratitude: TCH 269 How Great Our Joy!

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering for the (1) General Fund

(2) Faith Promise

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

Hymn: TCH 266 That Beautiful Name

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 244 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

*Postlude

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

December 29, 2013

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship: Psalm 62:5-6

God's Greeting

Song of Praise: TCH 795 We Are So Blessed

Old Testament Reading **Psalm 63** (pg. 899)

Hymn: TCH 537 He Who Began a Good Work in You

Time of Prayer

Offertory & Offering for the General Fund

*Hymn: TCH 527 I Know Whom I Have Believed

Scripture II Corinthians 3:1-5 (pg. 1796)

Message: FAITHFUL

Prayer of Application

Hymn: TCH 456 Find Us Faithful

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 533 There Is a Savior

*Postlude