

Sunday, December 4, 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
10:45 a.m. – Sunday School
Monday 7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting
Wednesday 1:00 p.m. – Sunshine Circle
Next Sunday 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

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to John & Karen Oltman, who will be observing their 51st anniversary on December 10.

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 Faith Promise.

Council will meet on Monday, December 5, at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

We will be holding our annual Congregational meeting for discussion and voting on the proposed budget for 2023 on December 11 right after the morning worship service.

The Sunshine Circle will be holding their annual Christmas luncheon this Wednesday, December 7 at noon. Kaye will be our hostess for the catered meal followed by a guest speaker. Please consider joining the ladies of our church for a Christmas celebration!!

On Sunday, December 11, there will be a Christmas meal of scalloped potatoes and ham with vegetables. The dessert will be provided, too. Sharing a favorite Christmas salad with us would make our meal complete! Anybody hungry? Join us next Sunday following the morning service.

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.

Holy Family Parish, St Gabriel Church, Reinbeck, Iowa, Holiday Cookie & Candy Walk and Bazaar, will be held on Saturday, December 10 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. People may purchase a large box for \$15 or a small box for \$8 and fill it with the cookies and candies of their choice. Pre-filled large boxes are available for \$17 and small for \$10. Homemade cinnamon rolls will be served and craft items for sale. Several holiday vendors will also be present. The church is handicap accessible. St Gabriel Church is 5 miles South of Hwy. 20 (Dike exit) on CR T55.

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 November 20 was \$935.00. The General Fund collection for November 27 was \$1,188.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,126.68. The collection for Student Connection totaled \$99.00. The collection for Building Improvement totaled \$96.00.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 4, 4:00 p.m. – Welcome Christmas at Hope Reformed

Dec. 7, 12:00 p.m. – Sunshine Circle Luncheon

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 4, 2022 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship: **Responsive Reading – 1 Chronicles**

*Song: TCH 245 **O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Advent Candle Lighting – Peace

Song: **Let There Be Peace on Earth**

Scripture: **Isaiah 35** (pg. 1111)

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering for the General Fund

*Song: TCH 270 **Joy to the World!**

Advent Reading

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Psalm 98** (pg. 935)

Message: **THE LORD IS COME**

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 86 **Jesus, Name Above All Names**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 243 **Emmanuel**

*Postlude