

THIS IS THE LORD'S DAY December 22, 2019

“And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.” Luke 2:13-14

Morning Service 9:30

A Life of Good Works

- I. The Conversion
- II. The Motivation
- III. The Faith

Read: Ezekiel 36:16-38

Text: Lord's Day 33

Psalters: 394, 342, 129, 175

Offerings: **General Fund
Benevolent Fund**

Afternoon Service 2:00

The Word Made Flesh

- I. The Witness
- II. The Wonder
- III. The Blessing

Read: John 1:1-34

Text: John 1:14-16

Psalters: 407, 130, 48, 362

Offering: **Trinity Christian High School**

We welcome you into the house of the Lord this Lord's Day. It is our prayer that you may experience the bond of God's love with us as we worship His holy name. Hearing assistance devices are available at the sound booth.

FROM THE COUNCIL

The second service today will be held at 2:00 PM this afternoon in order to accommodate the Edgerton singspiration this evening at 7:00 PM.

Call to Worship: The congregation is called to worship this Wednesday morning at 9:00 AM to commemorate the birth of our Savior. Collection will be taken for the Free Christian School in Edgerton. Nursery attendants will be Carly H, Lori VB, and Ava B.

A pulpit switch with the area pastors will take place next Sunday evening, December 29.

Call to Worship: The congregation is called to worship next Tuesday evening, December 31, at 7:00 PM and Wednesday morning, January 1, at 9:00 AM as we conclude the calendar year and begin a new one in worship.

Our pastor will be traveling to Canada from January 4-13 to fill the pulpit in Immanuel PRC (Lacombe, AB) and to continue the work on behalf of Classis in Edmonton. Prof. Huizinga will be filling our pulpit on January 5 and conducting the installation of office bearers that morning.

Committee appointments for the coming year will be made soon. If anyone has a desire to be on a specific committee, please contact Mr. Glenn Kooima, the vice-president of the council.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday: There will be no Young People's Society or pre-confession class today due to the singspiration in Edgerton this evening.

Tuesday & Wednesday: Catechism classes are recessed for the holidays.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

“We would like to thank the congregation for the visits, prayers, many cards and words of encouragement and all the food you have given to our family following Michelle's surgery. We have been blessed by your care for us.” - “Cast all your care upon Him for He careth for you.” I Peter 5:7
– Scott & Michelle Hoekstra family

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

Rev. E. Guichelaar (Randolph PRC) is considering the call from Kalamazoo PRC. Rev. M. DeVries (Kalamazoo's current pastor) plans to become emeritus at the end of the year.

The newly organized Unity PRC called Rev. R. Van Overloop (Grace PRC – Grand Rapids, MI) to be their next pastor.

Immanuel PRC (Lacombe, AB) called Rev. H. Bleyenbergh (Providence PRC- Jenison, MI) to be their next pastor.

Cornerstone PRC has formed a trio from which to call a new pastor of Rev. J. Engelsma (Doon PRC), Rev. G. Eriks (Hudsonville PRC), and Rev. R. Kleyn

(Covenant of Grace PRC - Spokane, WA). They decided to postpone calling a pastor until January 5.

REQUESTED ANNOUCEMENTS

We welcome all visitors to Calvary and thank you for being here. If you would like more info about Calvary, we ask that you please sign the guest book. We would love to hear from you.

The Edgerton YPS invites you to its annual Christmas singspiration tonight. It will be held at First Reformed Church in Edgerton at 7 PM. A collection will be received to offset costs of attending the 2020 YP convention.

Those who benefited from the congregational caroling express deep appreciation to those who came to their homes, and they especially are grateful for the many children who came to minister to them through song this year. “Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great.” Revelation 19:5

Trinity Christian High School of Hull, IA is seeking teacher applicants from members of the Protestant Reformed churches. We are particularly looking to fill a science and Spanish position. Interested persons should contact the administrator, Mr. Jim Regnerus, jregnerus@trinitychs.org or 712-470-0424, or the education committee chairman, Mr. Craig Hoksbergen, crghoks@outlook.com or 712-441-6139.

The Sioux Falls Protestant Reformed Christian School is seeking applicants for both an administrator and teacher position(s) for the 2020-2021 school year. The board is willing to work together in curriculum development. Interested applicants or inquires can contact Brian Brummel (assocpredusf@gmail.com or 605-370-2317).

Special Education Deficit Drive: The PRSE fall deficit drive is still underway. This year we have raised 31% of our \$310,000 school year goal. As we approach the end of the year, please prayerfully consider Protestant Reformed Special Education in your year-end giving, as your gifts assist not only Special Education but also the Resource/Discovery Center education in our Protestant Reformed schools. If you would like further information or a drive letter with envelope, please send request to info@prspecialeducation.org.

The Reformed Witness Hour Committee thanks you, friends and donors, for your prayers and

financial support during 2019. As you plan for your year-end giving, we ask that you prayerfully consider helping with one of these current costs: broadcasting on WYLL in the Chicago area, or expanding our Internet outreach through our website (reformedwitnesshour.org) and SermonAudio. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

Offerings next week: AM: General & Benevolent Funds
PM: Hull PR School

Reformed Witness Hour: Sunday @ 8:00 A.M. KLOH 1050 AM; 5:00 P.M. KDCR 88.5 FM –Today, Rev. Wilbur Bruinsma continues his series on “Women of the Bible” by bringing us “Elizabeth's Inspired Revelation” Luke 1:39-45. Next week, the Lord willing, Rev. Bruinsma will bring us “God's Faithfulness” I Thessalonians 5:24.

Ushers: Dec AM: Ben B, Toby B, Darrin B
PM: Dillon B, Evan B, Kyle B

Nursery: Today AM: Cassidy E, Phyllis U, Aubyn B
PM: Lori E, Lindsey VB, Alyce B
Next week AM: Erin H, Michelle VB, Carly B
PM: Myrna H, Kerri VDB, Crystal B

QUOTES FOR CONTEMPLATION

The source of this peace is God's good will toward men.

God's good will is His kindness and benevolence. This will God has towards men. These men are His elect church that forms the heart of the human race.

In His good will, God will bring peace to them on earth.

This is His good will even though it means the suffering, shame, and hellish death on the cross of Bethlehem's babe, who is His only begotten Son.

The angels recognized God's great glory in all this and joyfully filled the heavens with praise to God. We who have and enjoy this peace must with the angels of heaven praise God for His glorious work of sending His only begotten Son into our world as the Savior, which is Christ the Lord. We must do that in song and prayer. We must do this by living and enjoying the peace God has brought to us in Jesus Christ.

-J. Slopsema (“Glory to God in the Highest”
The Standard Bearer Issue:6, 12/15/2019)