

Epiphany of the Lord

8:50 a.m.

January 6, 2019

Welcome members, friends and visitors to our service this morning. We would ask you all to complete the friendship pad located in your pew. Thank you for your help. Welcome Packets for our visitors and guests are available at the Visitor Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"One Small Child"

Meece

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Here in this place, let there be no strangers

People: For we are welcome and one in Christ

Leader: Here in God's grace we find forgiveness and acceptance

People: For mercy has triumphed over sin

Leader: Here in the glory of Christ, we come to worship

People: For love and praise are the language of faith

All: Let us worship God.

* HYMN 275

"God of Our Life"

* OPENING PRAYER ~Rev. Susan Blain & Rev. Scott Ressman

**O Living God of past and future,
we praise you for this present moment.**

**Fill us with your joy and empower us with your Holy
Spirit, that our strength may be renewed**

to sing a new song of your glory

in a world which longs for your justice and peace.

All this we ask in the name of Jesus,

in whom we become your new creation.

* GLORIA PATRI 579

CHILDREN'S TIME

Doug Stueven

HYMN 513

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 148

(Page 509-510 in the Pew Bibles)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Kaycee Arrowood

"You Say"

SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 3:12-17

(Page 955 in the Pew Bibles)

SERMON

Clint Loveall

Christmas Clothing

* APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into
hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he
ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of
God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come
to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic
church; the communion of the saints; the
forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Leader: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them up to the Lord

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give God our thanks
and praise...**

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Mandi Rodger
ReachGlobal, Romania

OFFERING

Offertory

Peterson

"There Is No Greater Love"

* Doxology

* Prayer of Dedication

HYMN 485

"To God Be The Glory"

* BENEDICTION ~~Back cover of Hymnal

"Go Now In Peace"

POSTLUDE

Vulpius

"Good Christian Men Rejoice and Sing"

* **Those who are able** are invited to stand.

Nursery Available for Pre-K and under

- **Large print "BULLETINS AND HYMNALS" are available from an Usher-**
- **Busy Bags available in the Narthex**
- **Coffee is served immediately following the Worship Service in Fellowship Hall.**

Participating in this morning's Reformed service are: Clint Loveall, Pastor; Kirk Jensen, Liturgist; Charlene Radcliffe, Organist; Ushers are Leo Kofoot, Jan Bowles, Edna VanderWolde & Tom Brodie; Greeters are Jim & Jen Watts; Jackie Jenkins, Mike Reekers & Tom Ditsworth, Sound; Dan Vicker, Video; Lisa Kraus is in charge of the Nursery; Ron Jenkins, Jerry & Dorothy Ingvall prepared our coffee.

Our sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Don Clauson on the passing of his wife, Wilma, this past week.



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Confirmation Mentorship

Mentorship has been the most loved part of our Confirmation program since its inception. It is an incredible time for each student to have a personal connection with an adult disciple of Christ who can journey with them in their final stages of Confirmation. We will need 23 Confirmation mentors this year, if you are willing to accompany a student on this incredible journey of faith, please contact Pastor Michael. All Confirmation parents, students, and mentors are asked to attend class on January 20th when mentors are assigned and the program is explained in greater detail.

Annual Congregational Meeting

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 20th, immediately following our Reformed Service. All members are encouraged to attend.

Ordination/Installation of Elders & Deacons

All newly elected elders and deacons will be ordained/installed on Sunday, January 13th during both of our Worship Services.

Sound System Training

Today is a great day to learn something new!

Come see our new Sound System, learn more about it and discover the great things it offers for our church services and other activities held here!

Join us on Sunday, January 13th from 5 – 7pm. We will start in fellowship hall to watch a brief demonstration on the new screen, enjoy pizza, and then hear upstairs for demonstrations on the new equipment.

Please RSVP so we have enough food to Tom Ditsworth at 330-6553 or 336-1649.

Visiting Missionary

Mandi Rodger with ReachGlobal, Romania is visiting with us this morning and sharing during both of our Worship Services. Also, please join her during the Sunday School hour as she shares a video of what she has been doing in Romania.

2nd Service Ushers/Greeters Needed

We are in need of Ushers/Greeters for our 2nd Service. Responsibilities include distributing bulletins and greeting worshippers at the center sanctuary doors as well as taking a head count of worshippers (including praise and worship team and those in the nursery. A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex.

PW Sewing (Quilters)

Beginning Monday, January 7th, the PW Sewers are trying something new. They will meet once a month on the 1st Monday of the month from 9am – 4pm. If you are able to come for all or part of that time, we would love to have you join us. They will have a potluck lunch, so bring a dish to share such as sandwiches, soup, salad or dessert. Hope to see you there!

Adult Handbell & Chancel Choir

The adult handbells (7:00 PM) and adult choir (8:00 PM) will start back up on Wednesday, January 9th.

Meals-On-Wheels

In February our church will deliver meals to community shut-ins. Delivering Meals-On-Wheels takes about 30-45 minutes.

You may sign up for any amount of days. Maybe you prefer one day a week, for instance every Monday, or every day for a week or different days during the month.

Substitutes are available so don't let the fact that you are going to be gone one time stop you from signing up. You pick up the meals at the hospital kitchen at 11:00am. This usually is done with a partner to make the job fun and faster. Meals are delivered every day of the week except Sunday.

Delivering Meals-On-Wheels to our community shut-ins is a rewarding experience and you will be glad you took part in it.

A calendar is placed on an easel in the Narthex for you to sign up on, please include your cell phone number. If you have any questions please contact Milt Nolting at 336-4336.

Attn: Committee Chairs

The Annual Report Deadline is Monday, January 7, 2019. Please turn your year-end report in to the office by that date. Thank You!

Attention Sewers

The children's and lap quilts are now in the fellowship hall and ready for completion. Please take them home and complete one or as many as you like. These quilts have been given in the past to CAASA, Dickinson County Public Health for the "New Moms" program, Lakes Regional Healthcare for the new babies, Gentiva Hospice and Hilltop Care Center. Your help with this project provides warmth to many members of our community and beyond.

Act II

Act II will resume with normal Sunday School classes on January 17th. All High School students are encouraged to join Pastor Michael for a bible study and small group during lunch in the Spirit Lake High School conference room. You are invited! Come and dig into the scriptures with us as we seek to grow in our faith and become more faithful followers of Jesus Christ in the new year. See you there!

Recharge W-Term

Recharge will begin on Jan. 23rd with our first ever "W-Term" this year. From Jan. 23rd-Feb. 27th we will be focusing on fellowship and worship and featuring numerous guest leaders, instead of our normal classes and youth programming. Come at 5:30pm for a family meal and then later join us at 6:10pm for an intergenerational worship service. Though Children's Church will be provided for Pre-K through 3rd grade, all students and families are strongly encouraged to worship together. 4th-5th grades will be offered crafts with Jill Jennings and 7th-8th grades will continue to practice bells. More information will be released in the beginning of January.

New Year's Zumba

Start the year off right and join Kat Grems, a licensed Zumba instructor and also a regular attender at our second service, for a fun opportunity to dance and workout to popular Christian music. Kat will be leading the popular dance class for free every Saturday in the month of January at 10:00am in the church gym. Registration is not necessary and all you need is to come ready to dance and have fun!



NO RECHARGE
January 9th & 16th

Rides to and from church for this week is Merlin Stover ~ 330-3530, next week is June Howatt ~ (712)291-0858.

Hospital Deacon: Merlin Stover
Week of January 13

Reformed Worship Service

Liturgist: Youth Sunday
Ushers: Leo Kofoot, Jan Bowles, Edna VanderWolde
Greeters: Jim & Jen Watts
Nursery: Kelli Kruger
Video: Milt Nolting
Sound: J Jenkins, M Reekers & T Ditsworth
Coffee: Ron Jenkins, R Miller & C Armstrong

Reforming Worship Service

Praise Team: Liz Steiner, Adrie Stecker, Kaitlyn Nelson, Dave Boon, Gary Lambert, Kevin Grems & Jody Jenness
Nursery: Lindsay VanderWolde

Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 6

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel
8:50am-Reformed Worship Service
10am-Coffee and fellowship
10am-Congregational Life Comm Mtg
10:15am-Sunday School
No Confirmation Class
10:30am-Adult Ed
11:15am-Reforming Worship Service

Monday, January 7

9am-PW Sewing

Tuesday, January 8

1:30pm-Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 9

No Weekly Prayer
No Recharge
7pm-Handbell Practice
No HS Youth Group
8pm-Choir Practice

Thursday, January 10

9am-Men's Bible Study
No ACT II

Saturday, January 12

10am-Zumba Class in the Gym

Sunday, January 13

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel
8:50am- Reformed Worship Service
10:00am-Coffee and fellowship
10:15am-Sunday School
No Confirmation Class
10:30am-Adult Ed
11:15am-Reforming Worship Service
2pm-Worship Service at Accura

**Each week we remember
First Pres families in prayer,
this week please pray for
Mike & Sue Ewen**

2704 Breezy Heights Dr., Milford
Kory, Jodi, Olivia & Avery Smith
24490 182nd St., Spirit Lake

Please pray for our members and friends of this church family who are facing various

health concerns: Maddie DeWitt, Chris Koehler, Jody Ferguson, Judy Arens, Mary Smith, Pat Dalton, Lori Johnson, Pat Kelly, Mike Wiley, Marj Roseberry, Kathy Huitink, Denice (Wiersma), Bart Duncan, Laurie Phillips, Nan Woods, Travis Sweissburger, Rod Johnson, Laura Fagen's Mom, Pat, Tomy Norman, Margaret Plunkett, Heath Huberg, Reba Williams, Kevin Grems mother, Vicki, John Knabe's nephew, Dietrich, Kathy Nygaard, Steve Thompson, Blake Smith, Mandi Rodger, Jim Watts, Sr., John Heim, Jan Richards, Macy Jennings, Elaine DenHerder, Paul Ostendorf, Jennie Heathcote, Melody Peyton, Dave Fagen, Peter Knabe, Brenda Wilson, Adam Dreeszen, Kristen Martin, Marty Jenkins, Patti Meyer, Dorothy Fiala, Marcia Hill, Bill Cramer, Gary Eaton, Jack Burrell, Pauly Eaton, Jim Ellingson, Gary Hansen, Bev Quail, Keith Swancutt, Craig Cobb, Elaine Greer, Connie Rohlk, Sherry Fuhrman, Pat Lamoroux, Jay Anderson, Donna Rieck, Brent Kasson, Heidi Brittain, Marvin Stockdale, Mary Cornell, Kat Grems, June Goldman, Pat Swancutt

Please pray for our members and friends who serve in the Armed Forces: Staff SGT **Jamie Lewis**, 1st LT **Whitney Lewis**, 7017 Arnold Ave., Unit A, JBER, AK 99506; SFC **Frederick, Jesse**, 975 Culverson Ct., Clarksville, TN 37040; 1st Class PO **Billy Joe Travis**, 8583 Aero Drive, Apt 2043, San Diego, CA 92123; PFC; **Colton Petersen**, 1st LT **James Fliss**, , CPL **Kenten Murray**, MSG Detachment, Unit 6010, Box 10, DPO AB 09825-6010

Missionaries

*Mustard Seed
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Mustard Seed is a sponsorship of Christian Schools through student teachers who take the Gospel back to their tribes, villages and mountain people. Our sponsorships help cover the cost of Teacher training, school, food, clothing, & shelter. The Mustard Seed sponsors many missions throughout S.E. Asia. Each of these missions has its own unique evangelistic ministry: orphanages, schools, bible colleges, seminaries & medical facilities.

Goals include raising up and preparing the next generation to be leaders in spreading the gospel and influencing change in their environment.

*Evangelical Church of Niger
c/o E.E.R.N.
BP 13 301
Niamey, Niger*

Evangelical Church of Niger is engaging in several regions of Niger including Tahoua, Diffa & Dosso. The church's strategy in the country which has a population that is 99% Muslim, includes sending small teams to villages in order to witness to their faith. Currently, this is done through the Jesus film, medical work and follow-up lessons in discipleship, but other means may be used in the future. Funds are needed to purchase evangelism materials and to support travel expenses of evangelists. We started supporting this ministry in 2008 when PCUSA/Reformed missionary Tom Johnson discontinued his PCUSA affiliation and recommended we transfer our support to the National Church of Niger. We support this church through the PC(USA) Mission Agency.