

1st Sunday after Christmas Day

8:50 a.m. December 30, 2018

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 Phillips
"Coventry Carol"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: A new promise and a new opportunity to Worship.

Leader: Lift your voices and your hearts to praise our God.

People: And may the glory of the Lord shine upon us.

Leader: Give thanks for God's mighty works.

People: And above all things for God's gift of the Christ.

All: Let us worship the Lord.

* HYMN 40
"Joy to the World!"

* OPENING PRAYER

God of new beginnings, thank you for the blessings of days past and the promise of days ahead. As we continue in the gift of Christmas, may the grace of Jesus be born anew in and through us. May the joy of his arrival remain in our lives far past the holiday season and may his light shine in us long after our schedules clear and our decorations are put away. May Christmas matter in this world by mattering to those who know what it means. As we have celebrated his birth, now might we continue to remember his life, his death, his resurrection, and his promise to return. Through him we pray. Amen

* GLORIA PATRI 579

CHILDREN'S TIME Cindy Voss

HYMN 53
"What Child Is This"

JOYS AND CONCERNS
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 52:7-10
(Page 600 in the Pew Bibles)

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:21-40
(Page 832-833 in the Pew Bibles)

SERMON Clint Loveall
And Everywhere

* 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.**

OFFERING

Offertory
* Doxology Schrottenboer

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

* Prayer of Dedication

HYMN 29

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

* BENEDECTION ~~Back cover of Hymnal
"Go Now In Peace"

POSTLUDE Fettke
"Joy to the World w/Hallelujah Chorus"

* **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 & Michael Gewecke, Pastors; Kelly Swancutt, Liturgist; Rachelle Gewecke, Organist; Ushers are Ron Niebruegge, Gene Ringsdorf, Doug Johnson & Tom Brodie; Greeters are Warren & Barb Jager; Jackie Jenkins, Mike Reekers & Pat Butler, Sound; Wes Farmer, Video; April Krull is in charge of the Nursery; Ron Jenkins, Steve & Jan Richards prepared our coffee.

Our sympathies are extended to the family and friends of June Goldman on the passing of her husband, Karl Kiilsholm, this past week.

Our sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Tom Brodie on the passing of his brother-in-law, Larry Gearke, this past week.



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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 joins 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!

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.

New Year's Zumba

Start the year off right and join Kat Grems, a licensed Zumba instructor and also a regular attendee 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

December 26th, January 2nd & 9th

Rides to and from church for this week is Gloria Ditsworth ~ 330-9735, next week is Merlin Stover ~ 330-3530.

Hospital Deacon: Gloria Ditsworth
Week of January 6

Reformed Worship Service

Liturgist: Michael Gewecke

Ushers: Leo Kofoot, Jan Bowles, Edna VanderWolde

Greeters: Jim & Jen Watts

Nursery: Lisa Kraus

Video: Dan Vicker

Sound: J Jenkins, M Reekers & T Ditsworth

Coffee: Ron Jenkins, Jerry & Dorothy Ingvall

Reforming Worship Service

Praise Team:

Nursery: Lindsay VanderWolde & Molly VanDyke

Sound/Power Point:

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 30

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel

8:50am-Reformed Worship Service

10:00am-Coffee and fellowship

No Sunday School

No Confirmation Class

No Adult Ed

11:15am-Reforming Worship Service

Monday, December 31

Office Closes at Noon

Tuesday, January 1

Office Closed

No Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 2

No Weekly Prayer

No Recharge

No Handbell Practice

No HS Youth Group

No Choir Practice

Thursday, January 3

No Men's Bible Study

No ACT II

Sunday, January 6

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel

8:50am- Reformed Worship Service

10:00am-Coffee and fellowship

10am-Congregational Life Comm Meeting

10:15am-Sunday School

No Confirmation Class

10:30am-Adult Ed

11:15am-Reforming Worship Service

**Each week we remember
First Pres families in prayer,
this week please pray for**
Joe & Ida Estes
24270 140th St., Spirit Lake
Chris, Amy, Marissa & Logan Sill
2203 27th 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, Barb Hanisch, 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, Wilma Clauson, 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, Beth Primavera, Gloria Ditsworth, 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

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

Thank You

The High School Sunday School Class wants to thank the congregation for the FIN (Families In Need) donations!! We were able to fill eight baskets and bless eight families. Thank you so much for caring, for giving, and for being such a generous congregation.

Love,
The High School Sunday School Class

Save The Date

Calling all Sound Booth volunteers, "Save The Date", January 13th for pizza and Sound Tech training. Time will be announced soon! Questions, please see Tom Ditsworth.

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.

2018 Giving Deadline

The deadline for the 2018 year-end giving to the church is Monday, December 31st by noon. Any gifts and pledges received or postmarked after that time will be credited to your 2019 statements.

Attn: Committee Chairs

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