



Welcome to Worshi

#### DECEMBER 13, 2020

We are delighted that you are here to worship with us today. Our services are also broadcast live on our YouTube Channel (Sibley First Reformed Church) for those who choose to worship from home.



#### 9:00 am Cornerstone Service

Prelude: Ger Van Diepen Welcome Announcements Call to Worship Lighting of the Advent Candles Hymn: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" #188 Hymn: "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" #211 Congregational Prayer SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2:8-14 MESSAGE: "GOOD NEWS OF GREAT JOY!" HYMN: "THE BIRTHDAY OF A KING" #212 BENEDICTION CLOSING HYMN: "RING THE BELLS" #203

#### 11:00 am Open Door Service

WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENTS LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES SONG: "O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL" BY CASTING CROWNS SONG: "MARY DID YOU KNOW" BY KUTLESS CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2:8-14 MESSAGE: "GOOD NEWS OF GREAT JOY!" SONG: "THE FIRST NOEL" BY YOUNG HEART BENEDICTION

## Happening This Week

#### Sunday, December 13:

- 9:00am & 11:00am We welcome Josh Lucas back to the pulpit as he leads us in worship today. This morning we light the Third Advent Candle, the candle of Joy. As you go out this week, bring the Joy of Christ to those you encounter. Thank you to Curt and Peg Van Kley and the Joseph family for assisting with the candle lighting this morning.
- 9:00am & 11:00am Children and Worship during the services
- 10:10 am Sunday School
- No Coffee Fellowship at this time

#### Monday, December 14:

- 6:00 pm Elder and Deacon meetings (All newly elected Elders and Deacons are encouraged to attend)
- 6:30 pm Consistory Supper provided by the outgoing Elders and Deacons
- 7:00 pm Full Consistory will meet (All newly elected Elders and Deacons are encouraged to attend)

Wednesday, December 16:

- 9:00 am: Mothers Together will meet
  - Bible Classes and Youth Groups will meet 6:30pm: Bible Classes for grades 1st-5th 6:30 pm: MS Remnant Youth Group will meet in the Youth Room 7:00 pm: HS Remnant Youth Group will meet in the Youth Room

#### Sunday, December 20:

- 9:00am & 11:00am We welcome Josh Lucas to the pulpit as he leads us in worship today. This morning we light the Fourth Advent Candle, the candle of Love. If we want to see change in the world, it needs to start with us. Go out this week and show God's love to those around you. Thank you to the Brouwer and Elser families for assisting with the candle lighting today.
- 9:00am & 11:00am Children and Worship during the services
- 10:10 am Sunday School
- No Coffee Fellowship at this time

## News you Need to Know

Advent Food Collection Calendar. We encourage you this Christmas to read each day's devotion and collect the food item for that day. By the time you get to Christmas you will have a full box of groceries to donate to someone who is in need. All donations can be dropped off at the church and will be delivered to the local food bank. Thanks for participating!! If you have any questions please contact Diane Langstraat. (Copies of the calendar can be found on the Information Table)

**The 2021 FRC Directory** is being worked on in the office. If you have had a change of address, phone or email since last January, please contact the office.

**FRC Offering Envelopes are being Prepared** in the office for 2021. If you have never used offering envelopes and would like to start, please let the office know. Envelope users are given a tax receipt at the end of the year for tax purposes. If you are a current envelope user and wish to discontinue using them, please contact the office.

There is still time to provide a meal for a family in Haiti for only \$30. All donations should be written to <u>Radiate Haiti Ministries</u> and dropped off in the donation box on the Information Table or given directly to Kelsey or Papito <u>no later than December 20, 2020</u>. For more details contact Kelsey or Elesson (Papito) Joseph.

### Stewardship & Giving

**Offerings taken on December 6, 2020:** General Fund-\$3950; Benevolent Fund-\$160; Building-\$50; Attendance: 1st-86 2nd-47. **Special offering for December is Bethany.** 

## **Community Happenings & Events**

**The ATLAS of Osceola County board** would like to welcome Josh Tangeman to our staff. Josh will be serving as our new director beginning December 14, 2020. Our office continues to be open Monday – Thursday. Please be in prayer for Josh and the ATLAS ministry in our community. Together we are touching lives for Christ.

#### The Mailboxes Are Open!



To maintain social distancing, only one person at the mailboxes at a time please. The Fellowship Hall is still not open, only access to the mailboxes is available. If crowding becomes an issue at the boxes we may have to close them down again. Thanks for your cooperation!!

**Closets have been cleaned!!** There is now an assortment of pictures that have been placed on the tables by the mailboxes. All are free for the taking. Please take a look and give these pictures a new home. After Sunday, December 27th whatever is left, will be taken to New Beginnings. Thanks!



## All Items are due today!!

All items need to be wrapped, tagged with Family number and recipient (ex. Child age 1) and dropped off at church today.

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!		
	This Week: December 13	Next Week: December 20
Nursery:	Open but is unstaffed	Open but is unstaffed
Greeters:	E: Dave & Sandy Lamfers C: John & Lois Van Diepen W: Clint & Jamie Klaassen	<ul><li>E: Dr. Greg and Deb Kosters</li><li>C: Marlin Roelfs</li><li>W: Bob and Janice Groen</li></ul>

 Library:
 Jenny Schram
 Pauline Van Engen

 Coffee:
 No Coffee Fellowship at this time
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# You Tube

We have changed our "Live Worship Service" format. All services will now be broadcast live on our YouTube Channel. You can find us on YouTube at Sibley First Reformed Church. If you have questions please contact the office.

#### Sermon Notes:

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2:8-14 MESSAGE: "GOOD NEWS OF GREAT JOY!"

#### In Our Prayers

If you have a pastoral need, please contact Harold Ernst (461-1361), Josh Lucas (559-417-9249), or your District Elder or Deacon. You may also contact the church office (754-2783) or Jamie's cell (260-7246) in you would like a prayer chain started. Remember, we cannot print your name unless



you have granted FRC permission to do so. If you have a prayer request you would like included, please contact the office.

- **Pray for those in assisted living:** Larry and Alfreda Verdoorn, Ethel Jurgens and Geneva Wissink
- **Pray for our nursing home residents:** Margaret Calsbeek, Marlys Brink, Dutch Kruger, and Harold Schram.
- **Pray for our Missionaries:** Dr. Bernadeth Kelly and Adrian Bobb, Sayuri Kist-Okazaki, Brian and Donna Renes, J.J. and Tim Ten Cley, Rowland and Jane Van Es
- **Pray for all those** who are recovering from Covid, recent surgeries, hospitalizations and illnesses.
- **Gary Leusink** remains in the Sioux Falls hospital. Please pray for healing for him and patience and comfort for his family.
- **Ron Dykstra** has been diagnosed with melanoma. Pray for patience for Ron and Nancy as they await test results.

## Words of Thanks!

**Chris and I would like to thank you** as a congregation for the wonderful cards and gifts given in our departure. Your words of gratitude, thanks, love and encouragement will be cherished! Thank you for your generosity over the years and for the memories and blessings we received. You will always be on our hearts and in our prayers.

~~Blessings and love, Pastor Luke and Chris

### Deepest Sympathies

**Our sympathies are extended to** the Dean and Amy Van Marel family in the passing of Dean's father Alvin Van Marel on Monday, December 7. Please pray for comfort for this family as they mourn their loss.

#### church staff

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\*\*\*All bulletin announcements are due in the church office by Wednesday noon. Bulletins are printed on Thursday morning.\*\*\*