

Sunday, December 6, 2009
Morning Order of Worship

GOD GATHERS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude and Personal Meditation

*Call to Worship

*Hymn of Praise: ***"How Bright Appears the Morning Star"*** #357 : 1 - 3

*God's Greeting

*Scripture Reading: Philippians 2 : 5 - 11

*Hymn of Praise: ***"This Is Your God"*** Vs 1 - 3

WE OFFER OUR INTERCESSION

Congregational Prayer

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

*Song of Preparation: ***"That Boy-Child of Mary"*** #352 : 3, 4

Scripture: Isaiah 9 : 3 - 5

Series: ***Season of Wonder***

Message: ***"Recaptured Wonder"***

Prayer of Application

GOD INVITES US TO THE TABLE

*Song of Invitation: ***"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"*** #353 : 1 - 2

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Classical Ministry Shares, General Fund

Song of Response: ***"How Great Our Joy"*** Vs. 1 - 4

GOD SENDS US OUT WITH HIS BLESSING

*Benediction

*Doxology: ***"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"*** #355 : 2, 3

*Postlude and Christian Fellowship

Pastor: Rev. Dave Jolman

Organist: Kim Persenaire

*Congregation stands if able

DECEMBER 6 AT FIRST

A.M. Service: Scripture: Isaiah 9 Series: *Seasons of Wonder* Message: *Recaptured Wonder* Wonder and joy seem to go hand in hand. Losing one will result in the loss of the other. In this message we will continue our study of Isaiah 9 by looking closely at verses 3 - 5 where we read "You have...increased their joy..."

P.M. Service: Scripture: Luke 2 : 8 - 20, Hebrews 1 Message: *Angels* Read the Christmas story in the gospels and you encounter angels. But what exactly do we know about angels? What does Scripture tell us? Tonight we'll take a look at what the Bible tells us about *Angels*. Offering: Mission India

DECEMBER 13 AT FIRST

A.M. Service: Scripture: Isaiah 9 : 6 Series: *Season of Wonder* Message: *What a Wonderful World* If you pay attention you will see that our world is infused with wonder. A close look will also reveal a darker side as well. Much like the time of Isaiah, we live in a time of violence and conflict, a time of war and rumors of war. In light of that, how do we understand Isaiah's prophecy of the coming child who will be the Prince of Peace? Offering: Benevolent Fund, General Fund

P.M. Service: Scripture: Ephesians 4 : 17 - 24 Message: *Head, Heart, and Hands Together* Our church theme for 2009 has been *Loving God: Head, Heart, and Hands*. In this message we will wrap up our theme by seeing how discipleship encompasses our thoughts, passions, and action. Offering: Back to God Ministries

CHURCH NOTES

This evening our young people will be offering their musical gifts during the prelude and offertory. They will begin playing at 5:20 pm.

Special thanks to Sarah DeKievit for the artwork on the cover of our bulletins during this season of Advent.

On December 20 the Sunday School children will participate in the evening service with their Christmas program, "The Light of the World Is Jesus". **Children should know their parts by next Sunday, December 13.** If anyone is uncertain of their part, please contact Linda Horstman for another copy.

"Ere zij God" (Psalter Hymnal #214) will be sung during the morning service on Dec. 13. If you plan to sing this Dutch Christmas carol, please meet in the sanctuary on Dec. 13 at 8:35 for rehearsal.

Firm Foundation Investigating Profession of Faith information meeting for adults will be immediately after the morning service in the nursery.

Congregational Meeting to vote on the proposed 2010 budget will be held on Monday, Dec. 14 at 7:00 PM. A copy of the budget summary is in your mailboxes.

2010 Devotional Day Planners from Mission India are on the table in the narthex.

Vision Team meeting Tuesday at 7:00.

Dégagé volunteers please meet at church Thursday night, Dec 10th at 6:30. Thanks

Young At Heart (Seniors) Sign up today if you haven't already done so for breakfast at Rainbow, Thursday, December 10 at 9:00 AM. See You There!

Bible Study Fellowship - Our December meeting will be a potluck at our church. It will be Dec. 10 at 6:00 in the big room downstairs. (Note date and time) Bring a dish to pass but table service will be provided. A special collection will be taken for the Sliedrecht's to buy Bibles for the people of Uganda. Come and enjoy a time of good fun, food, and fellowship.

Attention Soccer Players, 18 and up: Anyone interested in playing indoor soccer at Soccerzone in the adult co-ed recreational league, please sign up at the Welcome Center. League starts late December/early January. Cost will be determined by the number of players on the team. If you have any questions, see Tom Caryl or Katie Spoelma.

OUR CHURCH GIVING: Last Week - General Fund: Pledged: \$4985.00 Collected: \$4201.50
Holland Rescue Mission: \$702.50; Christian Counseling Center: \$210.90;
Thanksgiving Offering - CRWRC, Jehovah Jireh, Love, I.N.C.: \$2946.25

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

A Birthday to Remember: *Dick Dyke* will celebrate his 86th birthday on December 8.

New Address: Norm & Andrea Visger, 210 Southfork Way, Woodstock GA 30189
House Phone: 678-324-1958

Prayer and Praise....

This week's prayer focus: *To Praise God.* Psalm 34 : 1 "I will extol the Lord at all times; His praise will always be on my lips." Lord, help us to take our eyes off our selfish goals and to focus on You. Let us exalt God's name always.

Our Shut-ins:

Carl Dykema continues to work some for Hope Network while a resident of Hudsonville Christian Assisted Living, 4905 Tyler Oaks.

Trina DeGroot is thankful for God's promises and blessings while receiving assisted care.

Grace Feenstra is receiving more daily care while under Hospice care at Sunset.

Fannie Haverhals is doing as well as expected while receiving assisted care at Sunset.

Edith Lanning continues to be observed while receiving assisted care at Sunset.

Dick Dyke has returned home and is limited by medical needs to remain there.

Thank you to Pastor Dave and Rev. Holwerda and our church family for your prayers, cards, and concern in the going home of our brother, Phil Spanninga. Above all, to our Heavenly Father for His love and grace. **Chuck and Arlene Krikke**

CHURCH SERVICE SCHEDULE

NURSERY TODAY

AM - Jill Thomann, Hannah Stone, Olivia Schreur
Kooman

PM - Chris DeHaan, Sarah Persenaire

Molly's Helper: AM - Val Krikke

PM - Deb DeJong

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY

AM - Tammy Schnyders, Nathan Graveling, Baylee

PM - Kristin Brouwer, Brooke Timmer

Molly's Helper: AM - Lauren Huisman

PM - Ben Bouma

USHERS

AM - Keith Rillema, Tate Rillema, Steve Schnyders, Lionelle Schnyders

PM - Jim Schreur, Rog Spoelma, Mike Stone, Mark VanderBrug

COFFEE SERVER

TODAY

Darla DeKoster

NEXT SUNDAY

Shirley VanderBrug

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY

10:45 Sunday School and Catechism

4:30 Prayer Meeting until 5:15

7:00 Youth Group Christmas Party - Remember your white elephant gift. Supper will be provided

MONDAY

6:30 Deacons Meeting

7:00 Council Meeting

TUESDAY

7:00 Vision Team Meeting

7:00 Women's Bible Study - Dessert: Vicki Brinks

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Cadets - Club Meeting

THURSDAY

6:30 Dégagé Volunteers meet at church

7:00 Rush Creek Counselor Meeting at Baldwin St. CRC

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWS

We hope you are planning on purchasing your Christmas tree at Rick VanDis' farm to support Hudsonville Christian Middle School! Remaining sale date is December 12, from 9 AM - 4 PM each day. All trees will be \$20 a piece, and you will be assisted by middle school staff members and their families. We look forward to seeing you at the farm at 3701 Mason Street, south of Hudsonville. Directions: Take 32nd to Adams, turn right (west) on Adams and follow until you reach 40th. Turn left (south) on 40th and then left at the first street which is Mason. Farm is on left (north) side of the road.

Unity Christian Spirit Store merchandise will be available at the home basketball game on **Friday, Dec 18**. In addition, we are opening up the Spirit Store on **Saturday, Dec. 12 from 9am-12 noon**. Due to the demand of some of the items sold at the sale in November, we have ordered more sweat pants and hoodies (in smaller sizes!), full-zip hoodies, crew neck sweatshirts and long sleeve t-shirts! We have great stocking stuffers - lanyards, sleeve tucks, can coolers, pens, water bottles, hair bows and much more! Come check it out!