

SUNDAY, December 10, 2017

2nd Sunday of Advent

Pre-Worship Prayer Time 9:10 AM; Worship 9:30 AM

RRC VISION STATEMENT: Riverview Reformed Church strives to be a bonded group of believers, spreading the Word of our Lord, and showing the Love of Jesus Christ to others by: Offering dynamic Christian Education; reaching out to our community; providing facilities for ministry; Building an involved close-knit congregation; and providing excellent congregational care.

PRAISE GOD

Prelude  
Welcome  
Life at RRC/Please sign the FRIENDSHIP PADS  
\*Greet One Another

\*Opening Hymn #99 "Angels from the Realms of Glory"  
\*Opening Prayer  
\*Hymn #100 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"  
Scripture Lesson - Psalm 126

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HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Message  
Pastoral Prayer /Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Ministry in Music - Lizzy Mehlbrech & Patty Stuelpnagel

Scripture - Matthew 3:1-12

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MESSAGE: "Getting Ready for Christmas"

GIVE TO GOD

OFFERTORY, Our response to God's Love

\*Doxology (front cover of hymnbook)

\*Offertory Prayer

\*Closing Hymn #92 "O Little Town of Bethlehem

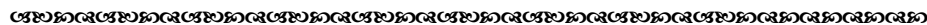
\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction "Go Now In Peace"

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you, Each hour of ev'ry day.  
Go now in faith, Steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you, In all you do.  
Go now in love, And show you believe. Reach out to others, So all the world can see.  
God will be there, Watching from above. Go now in peace, In faith, and in love.

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Postlude



ORGANIST: Marcie Kruse

PIANO: Patty Stuelpnagel

LAY LEADER: Tim Reck

GREETERS: Doyle & Kathy Guthmiller; Roger & Betty Larsen

USHER: Kevin DeJong

SOUND SYSTEM: Tim Bradwisch

POWER POINT: Matthew Tjeerdsma

VIDEO: Dan Sanow

HYVEE CARDS: Jean Prater

WELCOME!

**THANK YOU** for being here this morning!! It was a joy being with you!  
**Please be sure to sign the attendance pads at the end of each pew.**

If you are a visitor, please be sure to include your mailing address.  
**A Nursery Room** for pre-schoolers and infants (ages 3 and under) is available during the Worship service down the south hallway.

**A Children's Worship Bulletin** is on the foyer table for any younger children to use during the Worship service.

**You can see RRC Church Services** broadcast on your Public Access Channels in Yankton on Saturday evenings at 7:00 PM.

**Hearing Assistance Aids** are available for those who are hard of hearing. They are located in the cabinet on the back wall of the sanctuary.

**PLEASE HELP RECYCLE BULLETINS** If you do not wish to take your morning worship bulletins home with you, please place them in the white basket in the back of the church to be recycled. Please help us clean up the sanctuary following the service.

Thank you

God will be speaking to you today, but it won't be by cell phone.

**Please** turn yours off or set to vibrate, during the service

**Thank you to** Patty Stuelpnagel and her granddaughter, Lizzy Mehlbrech, for their Ministry in Music this morning.

The Christmas trees up front

are decorated with Angel ornaments, donated by members of the congregation. We would like to invite any new members, or old members who have never donated, or friends of RRC to donate an angel to our Christmas trees. You may bring them at any time and add them to the trees.

**New Schedules for Lay Leaders, Greeters, Power Point, Sound System,** etc, are in your church mailboxes that will begin in January. Please be sure to pick them up and get your scheduled dates written on your home calendars. If you cannot be here on the dates scheduled, we can always switch with someone else on the schedule.

**SAVE THE DATE!!** Wednesday, FEBRUARY 21, 2018, for our annual Soup Kitchen. Sign up sheets will be out soon!! Watch for details.

**The Yankton Area Literacy Council** is providing a program entitled "Math Is Fun" to elementary students in the Yankton School District. Volunteers work with children for 1 hour, from 3:30-4:30 each week to help them improve their addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division skills. A lot of our work is done with flash cards. When needed, we also provide assistance with time-telling and money counting skills. We presently have tutors in each of the 4 elementary schools. Administrators have more children they would like to include, but we need volunteers before they can be added. If you think you could help a child improve his/her math skills, or if you have questions about the program, please call the Yankton Area Literacy council (605-760-4803) or Patty Stuelpnagel, (605-660-1088).

**Feeding America/Yankton** Distribution from RRC every Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday mornings from 8:30—9:30 AM by the Feeding America organization. Anyone can come and check out the food items.

**The Salvation Army** is looking for Bell ringers during the Holiday season. Youth Groups, Adults, Church groups, service clubs, etc, are encouraged to volunteer. It is a very rewarding experience. There are time slots the weekends of Thanksgiving through Christmas available. The contact person is Jennifer Adamson 260-4413, or you can ask questions to Misty Nockels at 660-4472.

**RRC** has a texting system, which will send out mass texts, to include prayer chain items and scheduling notifications, such as if church is cancelled due to weather in the winter. If you would like to be a part of this texting system, please indicate so when you fill out the attendance pads with the cell number you wish the text to go to and please specify "ADD to texting list", OR you may sign up yourselves by texting **Riverview Reformed** to **662-200-4303** and it will automatically add you to the system

**Please utilize the following links:** Please use these tools as we seek to continue the work of Christian discipleship, even when you are not physically able to attend worship, or be present for the Family Bible Adventure.

**New City Catechism:** <http://newcitycatechism.com/> (NOTE NEW ADDRESS)

**Keys for Kids:** <http://www.keysforkids.org/For-Kids/Keys-for-Kids/Read-Listen>

Both of these programs come with applications that run on a Smart Phone. If you want a portable version please use that style of application. It is the desire of the elders and leaders of the church to move our Christian Discipleship from the classroom to everyday life. You may access the churches wifi (belkin.14b) with the login 4e69862e.

**Prayer Group** A group meets in the High School Tennis parking lot on Wednesday mornings at 6:15 AM to walk around the high school while praying for the Yankton School District for 30 minutes each week. We would love to have more join us. Talk to Lisa Kuipers if you have any questions.

**At the Cross:** A new silent prayer walk will be held at our church at 6:45 PM every Wednesday. Come as you are. We will meet outside "at the cross". We will walk silently around our church for under 15 minutes. We walk to pray for our Pastor's future and for our future Pastor. We walk to pray for discernment. We walk to pray for our future church and for our future church members. Every person of every denomination or no current denomination is welcome. We walk to pray with you for your unspoken prayers. We all know someone. We encourage each of you to prayerfully consider reaching out to invite someone through us to God. Please remember that you are the only testimony of God that some may ever read. You may contact Michelle Carlson with any questions.

**IF YOU CANNOT BE HERE AT THE CROSS,** please feel free to take 15 minutes of silent prayer in your home or wherever you are, with us, from 6:45-7:00 PM.

**Our Sympathy to Dan & Rebecca Sanow & family** following the loss of Dan's grandfather, Leo Neuroth.

**Elected to our 2018 Consistory** Elected were Elders: Loren Haak & Patty Stuelpnagel. Deacons: Jeff Hento and Lisa Kuipers.

## COMING EVENTS...This week at RRC

### **Today, Sunday, December 10 - 2nd Sunday of Advent**

9:10 AM Pre-Service Prayer time in Prayer Chapel  
9:30 AM Worship service with Communion  
10:00 AM Family Bible Adventure  
10:45 AM Adult Sunday School

### **Monday, December 11**

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

### **Tuesday, December 12**

8:30 AM Feeding America/Yankton Distribution  
12:15 PM Prayer Time  
7:00 PM Consistory Meeting

### **Wednesday, December 13**

6:45 PM Silent Prayer Walk around RRC  
7:00 PM Youth Group

### **Thursday, December 14**

8:30 AM Feeding America/Yankton Distribution  
2:00 PM Women's Bible Study

### **Friday, December 15**

6:15 AM Women's Bible Study  
7:00 PM AI Anon Meeting

### **Saturday, December 16**

8:30 AM Feeding America/Yankton Distribution

### **Next Sunday, December 17 - 3rd Sunday of Advent**

9:10 AM Pre-Service Prayer time in Prayer Chapel  
9:30 AM Worship WITH CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION  
Lay Worship Leader - Rod Gall  
Ministry in Music— Janet Zimmerman  
Greeters— Schnabels & Rempps  
Usher—Tim O'Hara  
Sound System Manager—Loren Haak  
Power Point— Hambergers  
Videographer—Richard Syring  
Opening Church—Sharon Auch-Bylander  
HyVee Card Sales—Sharon Auch-Bylander  
Cookie Providers—No one needed  
POTLUCK to follow the morning worship service

**CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK:** [www.facebook.com/riverviewreformedchurch](http://www.facebook.com/riverviewreformedchurch)

**Thank you to all** who came last Monday morning to help decorate the church for Christmas!

## LIFE AT RRC

**Sign ups** for **Ministry of Music and Cookie donations** for December and January—April are on the foyer table. New sign ups will be out soon!! PLEASE sign up for a date that is convenient for you!! We welcome all talent/musicians for music...new and old.

**You may** e-mail messages to the church office at [rprc@iw.net](mailto:rprc@iw.net) E-mails directly to Pastor Rod may be sent to [revrod@iw.net](mailto:revrod@iw.net) Check out our website at [Riverviewreformed.org](http://Riverviewreformed.org)—there you can submit Prayer Requests and Calendar Additions. You can also view the weekly bulletin on our web page (Minus the prayer concerns).

### **Offering for the month**

Nov. 12: Regular Offering - \$2213.05; Building - \$155.00; Missions - \$73.00  
Nov. 19: Regular Offering - \$2139.00; Building - \$1617.68; Missions - \$130.00  
Nov. 26: Regular Offering - \$2610.00; Building - \$50.00  
Dec. 3: Regular Offering - \$3219.83; Building - \$350; Missions - \$30.00  
Offering envelopes available in the foyer for general & building fund donations

***To fully support the budget, offerings need to average \$4100 weekly***

**Don't forget—HyVee Cards**...a fundraiser for the building fund. For each card sold, 5% comes back to RRC—an easy way to increase your giving to the building fund without increasing your cost. **Cards are available for \$50 and \$100, and \$25.** Make checks payable to RRC-BF (or Riverview Reformed Church Building Fund).

**The Children's Christmas Presentation** will be held NEXT Sunday, December 17 at 9:30 AM, followed by the regular morning worship service. There will be a POTLUCK following the morning worship that Sunday (Dec. 17th) so please bring a dish to share!

**Be Still** Women's retreat scheduled for Friday, Feb 16 (6:30-9:00 PM) & Saturday, Feb. 17 (9:00 AM—3:00 PM). Registration forms may be found on the foyer table. Be sure to register! Cost is \$30 by Feb. 1 and \$40 after Feb. 1 or at the door. We will "Be Still" and gather together to hear God's amazing word for each of us, inspire us, stir us, move us through the words of our speaker, Tera Elness. Tera is a wife, mama, coffee addict, Bible Study Leader and speaker. You can check her out at [www.teraelness.com](http://www.teraelness.com) or on facebook at Tera's Online Christian Journey. Friday evening session will include a Dessert bar and Saturdays session will include a light breakfast, take-away project, and noon lunch. Registrations can be given to Diane Pinkelman.

**Thank you to everyone** who helped in any way with The Christmas Store. 260 children took home about 1,140 gifts for their parents & siblings.

**Thank you to** The Christmas Store, for their generous donation of a new vacuum to the church. (Thank you, Dick!!)

**Thank you to everyone** who bought or sold Butter Braids as a fundraiser for our Missionary. Approximately \$500 will be sent to Ruth Wilcox.