SUNDAY, December 9, 2018

COMMUNION SUNDAY - Second Sunday of Advent

9:10 AM Preservice Prayertime - 9:30 AM Worship

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 closeknit congregation; and providing excellent congregational care.

PRAISE GOD

Prelude Welcome

Life at RRC/Please sign the FRIENDSHIP PADS

*Greet One Another

*Opening Hymn #84 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn #95 "While Shepherds Kept Their Flocks

Scripture Lesson - Jeremiah 23:1-8

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Ministry in Music - Women's Trio

Betty Larsen, Elaine Poelstra, Kathy Mettler

HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

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.

Scripture Lesson - Isaiah 9:1-7

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MESSAGE:

"The Peace of Advent"

GIVE TO GOD

OFFERTORY, Our Response to God's Love

*Doxology (front cover of hymnbook)

*Offertory Prayer

CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

(All persons who have made profession of faith in Jesus Christ in *any* Christian Church, are invited to partake of the elements as we celebrate the Lord's Supper.)

Meaning of the Lord's Supper

Sharing of the Elements

Communion Thanksgiving "He Is Exalted"

He is exalted, The King is exalted on high; I will praise Him. He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise His name! He is the Lord, Forever His truth shall reign. Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name. He is exalted, The King is exalted on high.

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*Closing Hymn #90 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

*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

*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

ORGANIST: Marcie Kruse PIANIST: Patty Stuelpnagel

LAY WORSHIP LEADER: Rod Gall

GREETERS: Dixie Church & Doyle Guthmiller

USHER: Dianne Selchert SOUND SYSTEM: Terry Poelstra
POWER POINT: Joe Andrews VIDEO: Dan Sanow

HYVEE CARD SALES: Sharon Auch-Bylander

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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 include your address.

A Nursery for pre-schoolers and infants (ages 3 and under) is available during the Worship service down the south hallway.

<u>A Children's Worship Bulletin</u> 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.

<u>PLEASE HELP RECYCLE BULLETINS</u> 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.

When two of you get together on anything at all on earth and make a prayer of it, my father in heaven goes into action. And when two or three of you are together because of me, you can be sure that I'll be there." Matthew 18:20 (the Message) Be sure to join us for prayer time at 9:10 AM each Sunday morning in the Chapel Area, 12:15 PM each Tuesday in the Church Library, or 6:45 PM each Wednesday for the Prayer Walk.

God will be speaking to you today...but not by cell phone. Please turn your phones off or set to vibrate during the worship service

The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held on Monday, December 24, at 5:30 PM. We may be looking for a few extra scripture readers, so if this is something you would like to do, please talk to Pastor Jake.

THANK YOU TO everyone who took part and donated to the Operation Christmas Child. RRC contributed 26 Christmas boxes to be distributed.

Youth Group for Wednesday, **December 12**, will be the 6:30 PM Jr. High Youth Group and 7:30 PM Sr. High Youth Group.

Plants in the south entry by the coat racks We are looking to dispose of the plants in the entryway by the stairway going to the basement by the coat racks. If anyone is interested in taking them home to keep and grow, they are free for the taking. Thank you.

Christmas Carols at the AME This afternoon, December 9 at 2:00 PM, come enjoy Holiday Music sung by Just Cuz' (Michael Schumacher and Nancy Dyson) along with Dixie Church on piano. A free-will donation will be accepted and donated to the Pathways Homeless Shelter with Jesse Bailey presenting at Intermission. Come enjoy the music as well as coffee, cookies, apple cider, and hot cocoa! Invite your friends, family, and bring the kids and see the AME Allen Chapel decked out in holiday trimmings! The AME Allen Chapel is located at 508 Cedar Street.

Christmas Cantata at the UCC A tradition continues as the Yankton United Church of Christ Adult Choir presents a special Christmas concert, "Sing with the Angels", next Sunday afternoon, December 16 at 3:00 PM in the historic sanctuary at 5th & Walnut. The choir, under the direction of Jennifer Powell, will be accompanied by a chamber orchestra in its performance of a Christmas "musical" that, in composer Joel Raney's words, "re-tells the Christmas story from the vantage point of angels." All are welcome to attend, no admission will be charged, though a freewill offering will be gathered. The church is fully accessible through its elevator entrance. For more information, contact the church office (uccoffice@midconetwork.com; 665-7320). Interim pastor is the Rev. Paige Besse-Rankin.

Blue Christmas Worship Service The Blue Christmas Worship Service is a service of hope and comfort for those who are grieving, lonely, hurting, or struggling and those who love them. On Thursday, December 20, the United Church of Christ Congregational (218 W. 5th Street) will host a special worship service for those needing a little prayer and support. Everyone is welcome at 7:00 PM in the UCC Sanctuary for a time to acknowledge the hurt, lift up our prayers and receive a word of hope.

<u>Library News:</u> If you bring items to donate to the church Library, please place them in the "book drop box", so our Librarians can stamp them, make sure they are in good shape, and properly placed on the shelves. Thank you for your assistance.

Please consider sending a card or letter of encouragement to Cory Poelstra, as he will continue to be in the Yankton Facility for now. (410 Walnut St., Yankton). "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me." Matthew 25:35-36

Results of the Congregational meeting voting

Election of New Consistory for 2019:

Elder: Todd Carr & Doyle Guthmiller; Deacon: Jean Prater.

They will be joining Elders Kevin DeJong, Loren Haak, & Patty Stuelpnagel and

Deacons Jon Egge, Diane Pinkelman, Jeff Hento & Lisa Kuipers

Off going consistory are Elders Dianne Selchert & Robert Palsma & Deacon Chad Gordon

Installation and Ordination is being planned for the first Sunday in January 2019.

Thank you so much for all the prayers. We are so blessed to have such a caring church family. A special thanks to Dave Thomas. ~~The Roger Larsen Family

COMING EVENTS... This week at RRC

Today, Sunday, December 9 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

COMMUNION SUNDAY

9:10 AM Pre-Service Prayer time in Prayer Chapel

9:30 AM Worship service

10:45 AM Sunday School for Adults

Monday, December 10

7:00 PM Consistory meeting

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

Tuesday, December 11

8:30 AM Feeding America/Yankton Distribution

12:15 PM Prayer Time

5:00—8:00 PM Open House at Pastor Jake & Danielle's new home (see bulletin announcement)

Wednesday, December 12

6:45 PM Prayer Walk

6:30 PM Jr. High Youth Group

7:30 PM Sr. High Youth Group

Thursday, December 13

8:30 AM Feeding America/Yankton Distribution

2:00 PM Women's Bible Study Christmas Party (see bulletin announcement)

Friday, December 14

7:00 PM Al Anon Meeting

Saturday, December 15

8:30 AM Feeding America/Yankton

Next Sunday, December 16 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:10 AM Pre-Service Prayer time in Prayer Chapel

9:30 AM Worship

Lay Worship Leader - Richard Syring

Ministry in Music-Volunteers welcome

Greeters- Schnabels & Yvonne Swensen

Usher—Kevin DeJong

Sound System Manager—Todd Carr

Power Point—Carson Haak

Videographer—Alan Egge

Opening Church—Jean Prater

HyVee Card Sales—Jean Prater

10:00 AM Children's Sunday School

11:00 AM Church Christmas Potluck

Check us out on Facebook: www.facebook.com/riverviewreformedchurch

Pastor Jake & Danielle's NEW ADDRESS:

2907 Lakeview Drive, Yankton, SD

Pastor Jake's email is vanderlindenjacob@gmail.com.

LIFEATRRC

Sign ups for **Ministry of Music and Cookie donations** for December—April are on the foyer table. PLEASE sign up for a date that is convenient for you!!

You may e-mail messages to the church office at rprc@iw.net Check out our website at Riverviewreformed.org—there you can submit Prayer Requests and Calendar Additions. You can also view the weekly bulletin on our web page.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS:

Nov. 11: Regular Offering - \$2504.85; Building - \$190.00

Nov. 18: Regular Offering - \$3720.00; Building - \$240.00; Missions - \$30.00

Nov. 25: Regular Offering - \$4992.00; Building - \$100.00; Missions - \$15.00

Dec. 2: NO CHURCH SERVICES DUE TO WEATHER

Offering envelopes available in the foyer for general & building fund donations *To fully support the budget, offerings need to average \$4100 weekly*

<u>Don't forget</u>—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). \$25 GIFT CARDS MAKE GREAT CHRISTMAS PRESENTS/STOCKING STUFFERS.

Ladies Night Out will be Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 5:30 PM at El Tapitio There is a sign up sheet on the foyer table for those who plan to attend.

All women are invited to come to the Afternoon Women's Bible Study that will meet on Thursday, December 13 at 2:00 PM. This will be a Christmas party. We ask that everyone brings 1 dozen cookies for a "Cookie Exchange". This will just be a time of Fellowship. We will also plan to fill some goodie boxes for the College kids.

Everyone is invited to an Open House at Pastor Jake & Danielle's new home, located at 2907 Lakeview Drive on Tuesday, December 11, from 5:00—8:00 PM. Stop in and check out where they are living. Snacks will be provided.

WE WILL HAVE A CHRISTMAS POTLUCK next Sunday, December 16 at 11:00 AM, following the worship service. This has normally been in conjunction with our Children's Christmas Program, but since we are not having a program this year, we would still like to have the Christmas Potluck Fellowship time, to celebrate Christmas at RRC. Please bring a dish to share, (and maybe some Christmas goodies).

New Schedules for Lay Leaders, greeters, ushers, sound system, power point, etc, for January—April 2019 are in your church mailboxes. Please be sure to pick them up, as they will begin in 4 weeks. Also, on the foyer table are new sign up sheets for providing cookies and ministry of music for the new year.

<u>Thank you to</u> everyone who organized, donated, helped work, brought cookies, BRAVED THE WEATHER, etc etc, to the Christmas Store which was held last Saturday. 162 kids (with parents) braved the snowstorm to come and pick out presents for their families.