

The 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried. He descended into Hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy universal Church; the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The 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.

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PLEASE HAVE ALL BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

in to the office by Wednesday afternoon.

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

You may e-mail messages to the church office at rprc@iw.net

Check out our website at Riverviewreformed.org—

You can view the weekly bulletin and monthly calendar on our web page

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SUNDAY, December 5, 2021

2nd Sunday of Advent

PEACE

COMMUNION SUNDAY

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time - 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/Announcements

(Please sign the attendance pads in the pews)

*Opening Hymn #90 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (Red Hymnal)
*Opening Prayer

*Hymn #143 "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (BLUE Hymnal)
Scripture Lesson - Romans 4:18-25

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HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Pastoral Prayer /Lord's Prayer
Scripture Lesson - Genesis 15:1-21

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MESSAGE: "The Covenant of Peace"

GIVE TO GOD

OFFERING, 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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GO WITH GOD AND SERVE

*Closing Hymn #139 "I Wonder as I Wander" (BLUE Hymnal)
*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
LAY LEADER: Todd Carr
DEACONS: Jean Prater & Lisa Pibal
PIANIST: Dixie Church & Patty Stuelpnagel
GREETERS: Lois Streyle & Harris'
HYVEE CARDS: Patty Stuelpnagel

WELCOME!!

THANK YOU for being here this morning!! It was a joy being with you!

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

A nursery is available down the hallway past the water fountain for young children to use during the morning worship.

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)

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

Due to viruses if you feel uncomfortable with a handshake, please give a friendly wave to avoid spreading any unwanted germs, use the available hand sanitizers, wash your hands, cough into your elbow, dispose of any used tissues. Please be considerate of those around you, to avoid any extra germ exposure.

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TIME We have begun our pre-service prayer time again on Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM before the Worship Service, meeting in the Adult Sunday School Room area. All are welcome to join in prayer for the service, for those who help in the service, and for God's word to be heard.

Please Remember although we aren't passing the offering plates, you can still send your offerings to the church thru the mail, bring them at any time and slip them in the mail slot of the door on the south west corner of the sanctuary (behind the piano area), or you can ask one of the deacons about the new on-line giving site https://tithel.y/widget/v3/give.js?3 which is also available on the church website

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

The Congregational Meeting to elect new Elders and a Deacon was held Nov. 14. Elected to office were: Elders—Terry Poelstra & Dave Reck; Deacon—Kevin DeJong. Going off consistory will be Doyle Guthmiller, Todd Carr, and Jean Prater. Remaining on Consistory will be Gary Baltzer, Alan Egge, BJ Weins, Shane Bertsch, Brian Hamberger, Renae Bouza & Lisa Pibal.

Ministry of Music Sign Up There is a new ministry of music sign up sheet on the foyer table for the months thru December, for anyone who would like to volunteer to do special music on Sunday mornings again.

CONSISTORY REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 15 As a Consistory, we considered Joshua 1:1-18 where we thought about what it means to be strong and courageous in this time of transition and change we find ourselves in. Elders considered the continued care of our members and we considered adding more members and farewell to others. The Deacons considered a variety of ways to care for the physical needs of our membership like a memorial fund, helping the Sanow family, and the physical needs of our church building, like painting some trim outside and cleaning the carpets in the church. The outreach of our church was considered, the Soup Kitchen and the funeral policy to provide food after a service. The Consistory also considered opportunities for Pastor Jake to grow that allow him to participate in two conferences, one called Theology in the Raw, to better understand how to hold to a Biblical perspective in our world, and the other will be a leadership development gathering with a focus on discipleship. Consistory also considered what changes need to be made to the By-Laws and other next steps as we move from the RCA to ARC. Please pray for our leaders in all of this and for continued wisdom and guidance.

Beginning December 1, read one chapter in the book of Luke a day, and by Christmas Eve, December 24, you will have read the life story of Jesus Christ, from birth to death, to resurrection and Ascension.

Every Day is a Good Day to choose Life Which Day will you choose? At ZoeCare we believe that everyday is a good day to choose life. This is what drives to build communities where men and women facing an unplanned pregnancy are empowered to choose life, single mothers are embraced with the love of Jesus Christ, and where purity in relationships, traditional marriage, and strong families are nurtured and valued. We believe that we can see abortion become unthinkable and unwanted in our lifetime. We believe that there is always a better option and therefore ZoeCare offers positive alternatives to abortion. Would you join us in celebrating every day of the year as a good day to choose life? When you sign up to become a monthly partner with ZoeCare, you adopt a day of the year as “A Good Day to Choose Life.” Our hope is that every day will be adopted by monthly partners who will choose to courageously support and defend all human life, born and unborn. Monthly partners are essential to the ministry of ZoeCare because they provide a strong financial foundation to our organization. Which day will you choose? It could be your birthday, anniversary, or any other day of the year that is special to you. With your monthly pledge to ZoeCare, you are celebrating that day as a good day for all women to choose life. On your day, you will receive a letter from ZoeCare celebrating your day with you. On that day, the ZoeCare staff will also be standing in prayer with you for the unborn, praying for you and your family, and celebrating your day with you. You can go to <https://www.sdlifegivers.com/donate> to sign up for donations or contact them at 607 E. 15th St., Ste. A, Yankton, SD 57078.

Joys & Concerns in Our Church Family

Megan (Haffner) Hansen—relative of Jane’s, 2 children ages 10 & 4, Megan is in need of a 2nd kidney transplant
Emily—Darlene Jensen’s 21 year old granddaughter, tumor the size of a brick, chemo treatments planned for the next 2 years
Denise - friend of Roger & Betty Larsen, health issues
Pastor Greg Myrmoe—urinary cancer
Loren & Glenda Schroedermeier—Arda Hoffman’s nephew & his wife, both have covid, Glenda hospitalized
Geraldine Schnabel—successful surgery for intestinal adhesions on Monday, Nov. 22
Karen Carr—upcoming hip replacement surgery in December
Jim Carr—upcoming throat surgery in December
Dorothy Egge—health concerns
Jim DeBoer—health concerns
Matthew Mulder—Dianne Selchert’s nephew, recovering from injuries from cow (collapsed lung, broken ribs, concussion)
The family of Ellen Gramm—Dale VanGerpen’s sister, Jean Prater’s Aunt
The family of Preston ‘Pete’ Bochman—Doug Bochman’s father
The family of Sally Resel—Amy Bertsch’s aunt
The family of Gene Haiar—Susan Muehlbeier’s father, funeral 12/3/21

SHUT INS

Donna Mellem - at Avera Majestic Bluffs, Room 122
Charlie Gauker - in Viborg Nursing Home
Dean Lippert - in Tyndall Nursing Home
Betty Bender - at Freeman Nursing Home, Oakview Terrace
Jannette Grass - at Wakonda Heritage manor
Gladys Souhrada - Sr. James Nursing Home, Country Room 133
Norma Palmer—Colleen’s mother, at the Sisseton Nursing Home

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE VIA: ON-LINE STREAMING.

If you are unable to do on-line streaming, you can access the service on your Cable TV Public Access channel on Saturdays at 7:00 PM. For on-line streaming, please tune in starting at 9:15 AM, service to begin at 9:30 AM. This is available thru the Facebook page and thru email links. If you are unable to do any of the suggestions, please watch a service on TV of your choice. Another option for non-in-person worship is to come to the NORTH parking lot (by the kitchen) and remain in your vehicle and tune your radio to 89.1 FM and you should be able to hear the service

Our sympathy to Dale & Janice Van Gerpen and Jean Prater, following the loss of their sister and aunt, Ellen Gramm, last Friday. The family held a private burial.

Our sympathy to Doug & Diane Bochman, following the loss of Doug’s father, Pete. His funeral was this past Wednesday in Tyndall.

Our sympathy to Amy & Shane Bertsch, following the loss of Amy’s Aunt, Sally Resel on Tuesday.

Thank you for remembering us in the recent loss of my Mother, Joyce. The cards, words of sympathy, memorials and those of our Church Family that came to the service were greatly appreciated.

~Terry & Elaine Poelstra

COMING EVENTS...This week at RRC

Today, Sunday, December 5 2nd Sunday of Advent

9:30 AM Worship service with Communion in building and via: live stream
10:45 AM Riverview Kids
10:50 AM Adult Sunday School

Monday, December 6

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Class
7:00 PM Boy Scouts

Wednesday, December 8

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Group
7:00 PM Youth Group

Thursday, December 9

2:00 PM Women's Bible Study

Friday, December 10

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Group

Next Sunday, December 12- 3rd Sunday of Advent

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time
9:30 AM Worship in building and live-stream
Lay Leader—Chad Gordon
Open/close Building - Jean Prater
Deacons—Shane Bertsch & Renae Bouza
HyVee Cards—Renae Bouza
Greeters—Rempps & Colleen Palmer
Ministry in Music—Volunteers welcome
10:45 AM Riverview Kids
10:50 AM Adult Sunday School

LOOKING AHEAD:

Sunday, December 12 - Genesis 22:1-19 James 1:1-12 JOY
Sunday, December 19 - Genesis 28:1-22 Romans 9:6-18 LOVE

A MONTHLY CALENDAR FOR EACH MONTH (which is normally printed and distributed in the Sunday bulletins) can also be found on the website page.

LIFE AT RRC

WEEKLY OFFERINGS:

November 7: Regular Offering - \$2499.00; Building - \$190.00
November 14: Regular Offering - \$2521.00; Building - \$171.00; Missions - \$30.00
November 21: Regular Offering - \$3969.00 Building - \$165.00; Missions - \$20.00
November 29: Regular Offering - \$2710.00; Building - \$40.00; Missions - \$20.00

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

Don't forget—HyVee Cards...a fundraiser for the Building fund. HyVee cards are available during the week when the office is open, and from Chuck's Quik Stop.

HyVee Cards are available on Sunday mornings before the worship service in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday Refreshments after church We have started up the coffee and goodies after church service again. We do ask for VOLUNTEERS to bring treats or donations. There is a sign up sheet on the foyer table for anyone willing to bring treats, if you routinely stay for coffee and cookies, or would like to. We just ask that you bring the treats, serve them, and then clean up afterwards.

A CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION

by the children is being planned for Sunday, December 19 during the morning worship service. If you would like your children/family in the presentation, please contact Renae Bouza, so she can include them in the planning. Practicing will take place on Sunday mornings during the RIVERVIEW KIDS Sunday School time.

Please consider helping with the following:

**Help with live-stream/power point. If you are interested in helping or have questions with streaming and sound board, we ask you to please contact Dan Sanow or Todd Carr.
**Opening/Closing Church building If you are interested, please sign the sheet on the foyer table, and we'll get you on the next rotation schedule. If you have questions, please talk with an Elder, Pastor Jake, or Teresa.
**Help appreciated with selling HyVee Cards We are looking for volunteers to help sell HyVee cards again before/after church services. Please sign your name to the sheet in the foyer, and we'll get a rotation schedule started.

Next Ladies Night Out is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14 at 5:30 PM at Rivers Edge. A sign up sheet is on the foyer table.

FAMILY NIGHT CHILI FEED A family night chili feed is planned for **Wednesday, December 15, from 6—8 PM.** EVERYONE is welcome to come! Singing Christmas carols and Christmas BINGO is being planned. Please sign the sheet on the foyer table if you plan to attend, so they know how much chili and cinnamon rolls to prepare.

ADVENT HAS BEGUN Please help us decorate the church sanctuary with donations of poinsettias. Donations can be brought at any time. If you wish to donate them in memory of or in honor of someone special, please let the church office know, as the names will be published in the bulletin at Christmas. **ALSO**, the Christmas trees in the Sanctuary are decorated with ANGELS. If you would like to donate an Angel to add to the Christmas trees, you may bring one at any time and place on the trees.

Christmas Eve Service This year for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, we are thinking of having more "special music" numbers. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to do a Special Music (it could be a solo, a duet, a trio, a musical instrument, a piano piece, whatever Christmas inspiration you have) please let the Office know, so we can start planning the service. Of course, we will end with the traditional Candlelight/Silent Night. If you have any questions, you may talk with Pastor Jake, or Teresa, or one of the Ministry Team members (Todd Carr, Lisa Pibal, Elaine Poelstra, Laura Weins).