

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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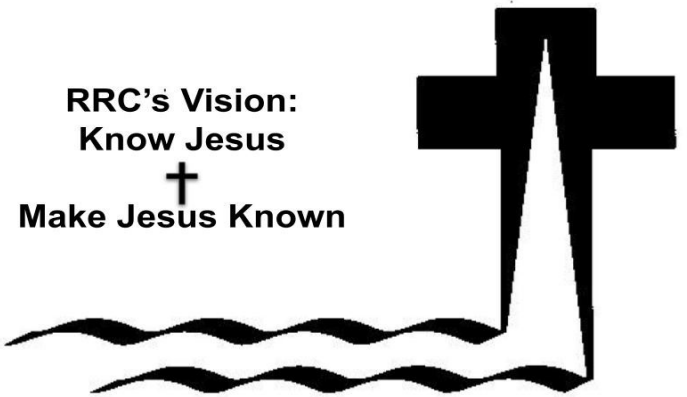
in to the office by Wednesday afternoon.

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 15, 2024

3rd Sunday of Advent

JOY

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time - 9:30 AM Worship

RRC MISSION STATEMENT:

Share Jesus in an uncertain world led by the Spirit.
Acts 1:7-8 NIV

PRAISE GOD

Prelude
Welcome
Life at RRC/Announcements
(Please sign the attendance pads in the pews)

*Opening Prayer
*Opening Hymn #87 "Joy to the World" (Red Hymnal)

Riverview Kids Christmas Presentation

*Hymn #144 (BLUE Hymnal) "How Great Our Joy"
Scripture Lesson - Isaiah 7:13-17 Page 1070

HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Pastoral Prayer /Lord's Prayer
Scripture Lesson - Matthew 1:18-25 Page 1497

MESSAGE

GIVE TO GOD

OFFERING, Our Response to God's Love

*Doxology
*Offertory Prayer

GO WITH GOD AND SERVE

*Closing Hymn #119 (BLUE Hymnal) "O Thou Joyful"

*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: Bobbi Jo Carr
LAY LEADER: Rodney Gall
HYVEE CARDS: Sharon Egge
NURSERY: Danielle Van Der Linden
PIANIST: Dixie Church
GREETERS: Schnabels & Colleen Palmer
OPEN/CLOSE: Egges

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.

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

Please Remember although we aren't passing the offering plates, PLEASE deposit your offerings in the plates by the sanctuary doors on your way into the sanctuary at the beginning of the service, or 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 on-line giving site <https://tithe.ly/widget/v3/give.js?3> which is also available on the church website

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. Matthew 18:20 (KJV)

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TIME We have our pre-service prayer time on Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM before the Worship Service, meeting in the adult Sunday School room across from the Library. All are welcome to join in prayer for the service.

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

Thank you to the Riverview Kids and their teachers, for their Christmas Presentation this morning.

Joy

PRAYER OPPORTUNITY: There has been a document created to help focus our prayers for the future of RRC. If you would like a copy of the document that helps focus our prayers as RRC considers the future, please ask Pastor Jake for a copy. Here are some options for ways to pray:

*Pray individually at home, at church, or walking around the church. This can be done with the prayer document mentioned above or however you feel led, but be encouraged to pray for our church.

*A while back we invited people to pray at 3:05 based on a passage from John 15:5. The Consistory has decided to update the time we are praying and the verse we are praying over. This comes from the work that Consistory has been doing, we invite you to pray at 1:08 every day based on Acts 1:7-8 NIV, which says, "He said to them: 'It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.'"

Christmas Letters from the Ebbens from Living Stone Prison Church and the Wiersma's from Freedom's Gate Church, are available on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board.

Thank you There is a Thank You note on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall from the "Operation Christmas Child" local organization for the boxes that were donated from RRC.

Schedules for Lay Leaders, greeters, open/closers, HyVee cards, etc. for January—April 2025 were sent out via: email to those on the schedules. Paper copies are in your church mailboxes. Please check them out, as they will begin in a few weeks. Reminder, if you cannot do the Sundays schedules, please switch, or help find a sub. **NEW VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME**

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be on Tuesday, December 24 at 5:30 PM. We are looking for volunteers **NEXT SUNDAY** (December 22) right after church to help put the candles for the service together.

COMING EVENTS...This week at RRC

Today, Sunday, December 15 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time
9:30 AM Worship service
10:45 AM Riverview Kids Christmas Party
NO Adult Sunday School Classes
11:00 AM Church Potluck
2:00 PM Pastor Jake leading worship at Majestic Bluffs Chapel
All are welcome to attend

Monday, December 16

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

Wednesday, December 18

9:30 AM Women's Exercise
NO Youth Group

Friday, December 20

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Class

Next Sunday, December 22 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time
9:30 AM Worship
Lay Leader - Colleen Palmer
Open/close Building - Baltzers
HyVee Cards - Gina Haak
Greeters—Dorothea Hoebelheinrich
Nursery—Elaine Poelstra
Fellowship Treats—Egges
AFTER WORSHIP—put candles together for Christmas Eve Service
NO Riverview Kids
NO Adult Sunday School Classes

LOOKING AHEAD:

Sunday, December 22 - Mark 1:1-15 4th Sunday of Advent LOVE
Sunday, December 29 - Pulpit Supply Dave Reck

LIFE AT RRC

WEEKLY OFFERINGS:

November 17: Regular Offering - \$2678.26; Building - \$250.00
November 19: Tithely - \$100.00
November 24: Regular Offering - \$2512.00; Building - \$50.00
November 26: Tithely - \$328.37
December 1: Regular Offering - \$5729.00
December 3: Tithely - \$100.00 December 4: Tithely - \$700.00
December 8: Regular Offering - \$1649.00; Building - \$100.00
December 10: Tithely - \$100.00

To fully support the budget, offerings need to average \$3200 weekly

Don't forget—HyVee Cards...a fundraiser for the Building fund. HyVee cards are available during the week when the office is open or on Sunday mornings before the worship service in the Foyer

Next Ministry Team meeting will be Wednesday, January 22 at 6:00 PM

William Farrar wrote: "I am only one, but I am one; I cannot do everything, but I can do something; What I can do, I ought to do. And what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I will do"

With that being said, please prayerfully consider where you can help out at RRC. It's a privilege to share your gifts with the family of God and RRC. There are so many opportunities to serve here at RRC—find a place where you are comfortable. From Lay leaders to organists, piano players, praise song leaders, greeters, Power point helpers, Sound System, teachers, Nursery sitters, opening/closing, Fellowship hosts, prayer warriors (including pre-service prayer time). Pray, and ask God where he would have you serve and be a blessing to others in the family of God at RRC. And if you aren't comfortable being on a rotation schedule, let us know if you are willing to be a substitute, to fill in here and there when needed. The more people involved, the lighter the load. When you choose where to share your gifts, the office or a Consistory member can connect you with a mentor.

Volunteers for Ministry of Music & Fellowship Time Treats If you are interested in volunteering to do a Ministry of Music, or to provide treats for after church fellowship time, there are sign up sheets on the foyer table.

Christmas Poinsettias Each year we ask for donations to help decorate the church for Advent/Christmas, and you can make them in memory of or in honor of someone. We appreciate all help in decorating the Sanctuary for Christmas. **Anyone who donates a poinsettia and would like it in memory of/in honor of** someone, please fill out a sheet on the foyer table and drop it in the box, to be printed on the Christmas Eve bulletin.

November 3 Congregational Meeting Results:

Elders elected are Sharon Egge, Patty Stuelpnagel; Deacon elected is Jeff Hento. Installation of newly elected will be January 5, 2025.

Dates and Events For December

~December 24—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5:30 PM.

Worship Service at Majesty Bluffs Pastor Jake will be leading a worship service in the Chapel at Majestic Bluffs **TODAY at 2:00 PM**. Dixie Church will be accompanying the singing on the piano. ANYONE would be welcome to come and join us in this service. If you know of anyone who is in Majestic Bluffs, please invite them or bring them with you. If you have any questions, please talk with Pastor Jake.

Next Ladies Night Out will be Wednesday, JANUARY 15 at 5:30 PM at the Fryn' Pan. There is a sign up sheet on the foyer table for those planning to attend.

December 9 Consistory Report Devotions from Consistory was from Ch. 5 of an Anatomy of a Revived Church, which led to a lengthy discussion on what a toxic church member can look like, pathways to reconciliation, what does this mean, and how we experience toxic people in this world. Elders reported discussions on visits and concerns regarding members in the church, 5 profession of faiths, and 4 baptisms coming up. There was also discussion around worship music and going back to having praise songs played on the piano. Deacons reported—Checking \$43,864; HyVee \$19,449; Youth \$1173. Organ and pianos are getting worked on, Contact Center being Mission of the Month, and an inventory of assets in 2025. The rest of Consistory was just updates on old business.