

December 10, 2023

(Services available on website northstreetcrc.org)

Morning Worship Service

9:30 AM

Message by Rev. Dirk Koetje

“The Lord Is Coming”

Malachi 2:17

Malachi 3:1-5

Evening Worship Service

5:30 PM

Message by Rev. Dirk Koetje

“Jesus”

Matthew 1:21

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - December 10, 2023

Accompanists: AM Sue Arendsen
PM Sue Lucas
Ushers: AM & PM Luke Mast (East), Terry Boerman (Center), Tyler Mast (West)
Rover: AM Scott Visser PM Tim Schutt
Radio: AM Zach VandenHeuvel/Mark DuBois PM Dan Sterk/Nick Venema
Nursery: AM Mari-Joy Peerbolt, Chelsea VandenBosch, Auggie Schutt, Abby Venema
PM Erin Koetje, Suann Zwiars, Naomi VanDussen, Mazy Sterk
Audio/Visual Operators: AM Jerry Redder, Larry Redder, Matt VanderPloeg
PM Martin Bostrom, Larry Redder, Matt VanderPloeg
Children's Worship Teacher/Helpers: PM No Children's Worship - Christmas Program

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - December 17, 2023

Accompanists: AM Sue Lucas
PM Kristi Boerman, Val Leegwater
Ushers: AM & PM Mitch Boerman (East), Jeff Klein (Center), Brooks Koetje (West)
Rover: AM Joel Poortvliet PM Zach VandenHeuvel
Radio: AM Scott Hoek/Zach VandenHeuvel PM Mark DuBois/Brent Leegwater
Nursery: AM Briana Unema, Gabriella Sal, Haley Poortvliet, Carson Koetje
PM Ellie Bronkema, Barb Harmsen, Andrew Boerman, Brooks Koetje
Audio/Visual Operators: AM Jerry Redder, Larry Redder, Tyler Bostrom
PM Martin Bostrom, Larry Redder, Tyler Bostrom
Children's Worship Teacher/Helpers: PM Rachel Mast, Rebecca Boerman, Abby Venema

Bulletin Announcements should be submitted by noon on Thursdays.

You may submit announcements by e-mail (bulletin@northstreetcrc.org), by calling Carol (616.772.1557),
or write them out and place them in the Bulletin Editor's mailbox in the Narthex.

North Street Christian Reformed Church
December 10, 2023
Pastor Dirk Koetje

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| THIS WEEK |
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Sunday - December 10

Second Sunday of Advent: "PEACE"

9:30 AM Morning Worship Service
10:50 AM Sunday School/Catechism
Offering for Compassionate Heart Ministries
10:55 AM Women's Bible Study - Rm. #L-12
12 noon Church Christmas Potluck - *'The Grove'*
5:20 PM Prelude begins
5:30 PM Evening Worship Service
Children's Christmas Program
NO Children's Worship tonight
7:00 PM High School Youth Group Meeting
Meal provided by Ryan & Sara Boerman Family

Monday - December 11

7:00 PM Congregational Meeting
Council Meeting to follow

Tuesday - December 12

6:30 AM Elder Prayer Time
3:45 PM Worship Planning Meeting

Wednesday - December 13

(all activities meet at 6:30; dismiss at 8:15 PM)

6:30 PM Middle School Youth Group
(7th & 8th grade boys & girls)
6:30 PM Jr.Cadets/Cadets meet
(Boys - 2nd-6th grades)
6:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday - December 14

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study - Fireside Room

Saturday - December 16

1:00 PM Youth Group Nerf Battle
(6th - 12th grades)

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| UPCOMING EVENTS |
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Dec. 17 Third Sunday of Advent
Dec. 17 High School Youth Group Meeting
Meal provided by Paul & Heather Mulder
Dec. 18 Executive Committee Meeting
Dec. 18 Elders/Deacons Meetings
Dec. 20 3D Boys Group (7th & 8th Grade Boys)
Dec. 20 Jr.Cadets/Cadets - Christmas Party
Dec. 20 GEMS Christmas Party - Upward Bound

PRAYER CORNER



The 24 Hour Prayer Line Numbers:
Local: 879.0057 & Toll Free: 1.800.401.6640

Randy Boeve: Please keep Randy in your prayers as he is hospitalized in Grand Rapids due to low blood counts. We pray for wisdom for his doctors as they seek to determine the cause of this on-going issue. We pray, too, for Randy & Susan, during this challenging time.

Helaine Miedema: Please keep Helaine in your prayers as she has been unable to receive cancer treatments for the past few weeks because of weakness. She is awaiting the results of the PET Scan that was done on December 1. Please pray for Dale and Helaine in this time of suffering and uncertainty.

Kristin Sterk: Kristin's biopsy results are back and they are favorable. The genetic tests are showing that some cells still have the mutation for the type of leukemia she has, but the level is very low. We praise the Lord for this news as the doctors are sticking with the plan to have the bone marrow transplant in January!

Brinlie Unema (infant daughter of Nick & Brianna): We give thanks that Brinlie's heart murmur is likely from growing quickly and is considered innocent with no need for intervention.

Continue to pray for those battling cancer:

Randy Boeve

Gret Heuvelman

John Heuvelman

Helaine Miedema

Kristin Sterk

Marianne Vos

Council Member of Focus:
Elder Rick VanderPloeg



COUNCIL NEWS

Offering Schedule:

December 10: AM Upward Bound
PM Abide Project

December 17: AM All Belong Center
for Inclusive Education - ZCS/BCS
(formerly Christian Learning Center)
PM Compassionate Heart Ministries

The Elders praise God for hearing the profession of faith of 3 young gentlemen at a recent meeting. **Tyler Bostrom, Ethan VanDussen, and Nathaniel VanDussen.** Public Profession of faith will occur at a later date.

A **Congregational meeting** will be held on Monday, December 11, at 7:00 PM in 'The Grove' to discuss and vote on the Proposed budget for 2024, and approve funding for the new church signage. The following motion for the new church sign will be voted on: 'Motion to approve funding for new church signage in the amount of \$25,000.00. Funding to come from the Nagelkirk estate gift and sign verbiage to be determined at a future council meeting.' If you have any questions or concerns beforehand, feel free to contact **Keith Boerman or Nick Venema.** Please see **Brian Busscher** if you would like an absentee ballot. Ballots should be placed in the ballot box at the 'Sign-up Station' near the elevator by Dec. 11.

A **New Members Class** will be offered on Sunday, December 10 & 17, in the Council Room, after the AM Service. This class is for anyone who is interested in becoming a member at North Street. Plan on attending both Sundays. If you have any questions, please talk to either Jim Zwiers or Brian Mast.

Thanksgiving Day Collection: The total amount received from the Thanksgiving Day collection was **\$18,884.00.** A breakdown of the amount received for each cause/agency will be listed in the next issue of 'The Reflections'.

FOCUS ON MISSIONS

Rev. Fikret & Darlene Bocek work for **Global Church Ministries** on church planting, discipleship, Bible and book distribution, and evangelism in their home country of Turkey. More information is available at www.globalchurchministries.us.

LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save The Date! Cornerstone URC's 27th Women's Conference is scheduled for March 15-16, 2024, featuring **Megan Hill** who will be speaking on *"God's Grace in Seasons of Change: Finding Certain Hope in Uncertain Times"*. Watch for more information to come! Contact the Women's Conference Committee at curcwc@gmail.com if you have any questions.



AT HOME MEMBERS

Christmas Cards for our At Home Members: Baskets have been added for **Everdeane Bonnes** and **John & Betty Bos**. Please add them to your list as you prepare cards for our At Home Members. Cards should be placed in the baskets by Dec. 17.

John & Betty Bos live in their home in Zeeland.
(2477 Rhodora Drive, Zeeland, MI 49464)

Happy Birthday



Don Mannes
80 on December 11

Henry Meppelink
82 on December 13

CHURCH FAMILY

David & Amy Kroll "are grateful for the love and care shown to us over the last few weeks after the passing of Amy's mom. The cards, meals, and prayers are a testimony of God's love. We also appreciate how welcoming you have been towards Amy's Dad."

Shirley VanKlompberg no longer has a home phone. The number to use is:
Cell Phone: 616.403.5241



ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Church Christmas Potluck will be held today at 12 noon. Families of 3 or more are asked to bring a Hot AND Cold Dish. Families of 2 or less are asked to bring a Hot OR Cold Dish. One of your dishes may be a dessert. Tableware and drinks will be provided.

The Children's Christmas Program will take place during our Evening Worship Service. *Please note that the Prelude will begin at 5:20 PM. Many of our students will be presenting a musical piece, so please try to be seated by 5:20 PM.

North Street Seniors will not be having our monthly breakfast meetings during the winter months. See you in the Spring!

Donations for Parkview Home: Show love this holiday season for the residents at Parkview Home in Zeeland, by donating some of their highly needed items:

Paper products *Toiletries*
Cleaning supplies *Arts & Crafts*
Puzzles *Games*
Socks *Undergarments*

Donations should be dropped off to the Parkview Home front porch between 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM on Wednesday, December 13 or Wednesday, December 27. See the flyer in your church mailbox or at the Sign-up Station for more information.