December 17, 2023

(Services available on website northstreetcrc.org)

Morning Worship Service 9:30 AM

Message by Rev. Dirk Koetje
"Robbing The Immutable God"
Malachi 3:6-12

Evening Worship Service 5:30 PM

Message by Rev. Jeremy Visser
"Joy To The World"
Psalm 98:1-9

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - December 17, 2023

Accompanists: AM Sue Lucas

PM Kristi Boerman, Val Leegwater

Ministry of Music: AM North Street Bell Choir; Lynda Tiggleman, Director

Ushers: AM & PM Mitch Boerman (East), Jeff Klein (Center), Brooks Koetje (West)

Rover: 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, Tyler Bostrom, Brooks Koetje

Audio/Visual Operators: AM Jerry Redder, Larry Redder, Tyler Bostrom

PM Martin Bostrom, Larry Redder, Tyler Bostrom

Children's Worship Teacher/Helpers: Rachel Mast, Rebecca Boerman, Abby Venema

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - December 24, 2023

Accompanists: AM Sue Arendsen, Ruth Meekhof

PM Sue Lucas

Ushers: AM & PM Andrew Boerman (East), Jim Staat Sr. (Center), Grant Boerman (West)

Rover: AM Mike VanAst PM Carl Weener

Radio: AM Scott Hoek/Dan Sterk PM Mark DuBois/Todd VandenHeuvel

Nursery: AM Emily Rottschafer, Laura Visser, Sarabiah Worley, Makayla Peerbolt

PM – Linda VanderPloeg, Amy Schutt, Thijs DuBois, Clara Klein

Audio/Visual Operators: AM Todd VandenHeuvel, Sheryl VandenHeuvel, Matt VanderPloeg PM Todd VandenHeuvel, Sheryl VandenHeuvel, Matt VanderPloeg

Children's Worship Teacher/Helpers: No Children's Worship - Christmas Break

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 17, 2023 Pastor Dirk Koetje

THIS WEEK

Sunday - December 17

Third Sunday of Advent: "JOY"

9:30 AM Morning Worship Service

NO Sunday School/Catechism

5:30 PM Evening Worship Service

Rev. Jeremy Visser

Children's Worship meets - Rm.#1

Story: "Jesus Feeds 5000"

7:00 PM High School Youth Group Meeting Meal provided by Paul & Heather Mulder

Monday - December 18

5:30 PM Executive Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Elders/Deacons Meetings

<u>Tuesday - December 19</u>

6:30 AM Elder Prayer Time

3:45 PM Worship Planning Meeting

Wednesday - December 20

(all activities meet at 6:30; dismiss at 8:15 PM) 6:30 PM 3D Boys Group (7th & 8th grade boys) 6:30 PM Jr.Cadets/Cadets meet - Christmas Party

(Boys - 2nd-6th grades)

6:30 PM GEMS (Girls - 2nd-8th grades)

Christmas Party @ Upward Bound Outing

Thursday - December 21

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 24 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Dec. 24 NO High School Youth Group Meeting Dec. 25 Christmas Worship Service - 9:30 AM

FOCUS ON MISSIONS

Mike & Keli Anderson moved to Peru this summer after serving 16 years in Brazil. In Peru, they will be developing partnerships with local ministries in reaching the many indigenous people groups in the area. They will also be involved with developing plans and capital improvements for the SAM Center, which includes the missionary school where Emily and Lydia will be attending. More information is available at www.southamericamission.org.

PRAYER CORNER



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

Randy Boeve: We are thankful to God that Randy was able to return home from the hospital. We continue to pray for wisdom for his doctors as they seek how best to proceed. We pray, too, for Randy & Susan, during this challenging time.

Continue to pray for those battling cancer:

Randy Boeve Gret Heuvelman

John Heuvelman Helaine Miedema Kristin Sterk Marianne Vos

Continue to pray for those facing an on-going recovery or chronic illness:

Tim Meekhof Dale VanderYacht Jennie VanderWoude Ken VerBeek

Rose Worley

Council Member of Focus: *Deacon Nick Venema*

CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our sympathy to Rev. Harlan VandenEinde in the passing of his wife Sandy, on Wednesday, December 13. Visitation with the family will be at Yntema Funeral Home on Sunday, December 17 from 3:00-5:00 PM and from 7:00-9:00 PM. Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM on Monday, December 18, at Borculo Christian Reformed Church. Pastor Van, as he is known to a lot of N.S. members, has served North Street as a Church/Pastor Counselor during some of our vacancies. He has also been a frequent guest pastor over the last several years. We pray for God's comfort and peace to be with Rev. VandenEinde and his family during this time of loss.



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. Today is the last day to place your cards in the baskets.

Winnie Machiela lives at Royal Atrium Inn in Zeeland.

(400 Parkside Drive, Rm.#218, Zeeland, 49464)

Alma DeKock lives in her condo in Zeeland.

(250 Interlocken Court, Zeeland, MI 49464)

COUNCIL NEWS

Offering Schedule:

December 17: AM All Belong Center

for Inclusive Education - ZCS/BCS (formerly Christian Learning Center)

PM Compassionate Heart Ministries

December 24: AM North Street CAP

PM The Bridge

A New Members Class will be offered today in the Council Room, after the AM Service. This class is for anyone who is interested in becoming a member at North Street. If you have any questions, please talk to either Jim Zwiers or Brian Mast.

The Elders are looking at holding a *Profession of Faith Class*, starting sometime in January. If you are interested in joining this class, please contact either Pastor Dirk or Elder Brian Mast (brianmast13@yahoo.com).

Please Note: All receipts for reimbursements and invoices to be paid for 2023, must be turned in by <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 28</u>. Please place these items in the Treasurer's mailbox.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Church Office will be open modified hours the next few weeks due to the holidays. If you need assistance from the office staff, please plan to stop in during the following times:

Monday, Dec. 18 9:00-11:00 AM

1:00-3:00 PM

Tuesday, Dec. 19 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Wednesday, Dec. 20 10:00 AM-2:00 PM Thursday, Dec. 21 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

The Office will be closed from Friday, December 22 thru Monday, January 1. Normal hours will resume on Tuesday January 2 (9:00 AM-12:00 PM).

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 can be placed in the grocery cart in the Narthex or 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.

Women's Bible Study: Starting January 7, 2024, we will be going through *Jen Wilkin's* Bible study, "*God of Covenant*". Beginning with Genesis 12, walk alongside the fathers of our faith—Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph—to discern Jesus in the stories of His people. Over 10 sessions, we will discover how God orchestrates everything for His glory and the good of His people, and see how the God of creation and covenant is the same yesterday, today, and forever. We will meet in the Deacons Room (lower level Rm.#12) from 10:50-11:40 to view a video each week, as we walk through this study together. Daily homework is not required, but a workbook is available for \$16.00. Sign up by December 31 at the kiosk by the north stairway or by contacting the church office (office@northstreetcrc.org).