

December 4, 2022

9:30 a.m. Worship Service
* Please Rise in Body or in Spirit

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

* God’s Greeting

* Call to Worship

* Silent Prayer

* Gray Hymnal # 253

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Advent Wreath & Reading

Zach & Jenea Grassmid

Baptism

Carly Joy Reurink

Blue Songbook # 22

Purify My Heart

Prayer of the Lord’s People

Offering

Local Expenses

Offertory

(children 2 yrs-K are dismissed during the next hymn)

* Song

O Give Thanks

Scripture

Isaiah 60:1-3

Sermon

The Light of Christmas

Prayer of Application

* Gray Hymnal # 329:1

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

* God’s Blessing

* Gray Hymnal # 329:2

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

* Postlude

Sermon Notes

Sermons are recorded and can be viewed at <http://waylandcrc.org/sermons.html>

Welcome to Wayland Christian Reformed Church

We are so glad you joined us this morning.

Today is the 2nd Sunday in Advent.

The 2nd candle reminds us that **Christ is the Way out of darkness.**

Today

Thank you to Jerry Zandstra and the praise team for leading us in worship this morning.

We have the privilege of witnessing the baptism of **Carly Joy**, daughter of **Tom & Leah Reurink**.

Evening Bible Study meets tonight & next Sunday, December 11 at 5:00 p.m. Then we will not meet again until January 8, 2023.

Request from Our Deacons

Please remember to include your **offering number** when you are giving. Include the number on your envelope and online checks. This is a huge time saver for the deacons and **helps to lessen the chance of errors**. If you don't have an offering number, call the church office, 269-792-2828. If you forgot, check your mailbox, it is written next to your name.

Thank You

Thank you so much for your calls, texts, emails, cards, and visits we received from the recent passing of our dad and grandfather, Curt. We are comforted knowing he is in heaven, and we will see him again. **Kathy & Bob Tanner and Family**

The Youth Group sends their thanks for all the donations received at the Thanksgiving Breakfast. It is so appreciated!

Christian Sympathies

We extend our heartfelt sympathies to Dot Zoppa & family as Ralph passed away on November 30.

Christmas Cards & Gifts

Help us to bring Christmas Joy to our members who are shut-in and those members currently serving in our military. Cards & gifts can be put into their individual bags in back of church by the nursery. **Last collection date is December 18.** Ideas include: adult coloring books, word search, Sudoku, baked goods and anything else you think of. **Shut-ins:** Kim Door, Lori DeVries, Ev Buist, Sam Dykstra, Norma Potter, Marge VanDerWeide, Linda Vander Vlugt, Jean VanderVeen & Jobbe Lammers. **Military:** Dani Verburg, Matt Haaksma, David & Amy Seinen. **Tim Sterk's** items will be included in the box from GEMS.

Christmas Boxes for Our Military

Christmas Service Project: This year our GEMS will be packing **100 care packages** for Timothy Sterk & Jordan DeLange's unit that is currently in Syria. A list of needed donations are in your mailboxes and posted on the bulletin board. GEMS will be **collecting until December 14.** There is a box in the back of church for all donations. **Monetary donations** also needed for shipping costs. **See Ashley Johnson for questions!**

GEMS Soup Supper and Service Project Night: Please join the GEMS for soup, salad and dessert at their Soup Supper on **Wednesday, December 14, 6-8 pm.** Monetary donations will be accepted and used for this project. During this time, we would also like the church family to help GEMS create Christmas cards and letters to go into every care package.

Special December Birthdays

December 3 – Donna DeVries
December 13 – Harriet Davies
December 13 – Linda Vander Vlugt
December 29 – Willy Nieuwenhuis

Bible League Giving Program

"Light of the World" Giving Program. This program is 5 weeks, with a question each day. Please see the calendars for this program in your mailboxes, the counter across from the mailboxes or by the bulletin board in the foyer. For more information or a copy of the calendar, please visit <https://www.bibleleauge.org/lotw/>. **We will collect the money on Christmas Day: Sunday, December 25.**

Christmas Concerts

The Choral Scholars, a Calvin University alumni vocal ensemble present a **Christmas Concert** tonight at South Grandville Church (4130 Wilson, Grandville) at 7 p.m., with refreshments to follow. Join us for an inspiring night of celebrating our Savior's birth!

King's Choraliers Christmas Concert: December 11, 2022, 7:30 p.m. at LaGrave Avenue CRC. We will be celebrating the significance of Christ's birth through music. Our special musical guests will be the **Women's Choir of South Christian High School.** A freewill offering will be received.

Volunteer Opportunities

Become a Lead Cook with World Renew DRS! Do you enjoy caring for others by cooking for them? Consider a ministry opportunity by becoming a Lead Cook DRS volunteer! While volunteers are working hard on reconstruction sites, there are others working hard in the kitchen. If interested, email Diana at dmarquez@worldrenew.net.

Seeking Housing Kuyers Institute at Calvin University is looking for **affordable housing for a visiting scholar**, her husband, and five children, as soon as possible through spring. If you can help, email at kuyers@calvin.edu.

Living with Alzheimer's/Dementia

Many people in the early or mid-stages of Alzheimer's Disease experience depression. Getting treatment can make a significant difference. Call Pine Rest, 800-442-0809 and identify yourself at a CAP member of Wayland CRC for free help.

Prayer Guide – December 4, 2022

Prayer Requests...

- **Dot Zoppa & family** as Ralph passed away Wednesday, November 30.
- **Praise for Olivia Pastrick**, newborn daughter of Nathan & Bri Pastrick.
- **Praise for Carly Joy Reurink's baptism.**
- **Praise for clear scans for Deb Wieringa.**

Ongoing Prayer Requests...

- **Harriet Davies** will receive the results of her biopsy on Tuesday, December 6.
- **Jobje Lammers'** as she continues receiving chemo-therapy.
- **Our Church Service Members: David Seinen, Tim Sterk, Dani Verburg & Matt Haaksma**
 - **Tim Sterk & Jordan DeLange** (Glyn & Char Davies' son-in-law) currently deployed to Syria.
- **Missionaries: Tom & Donna Cnossen, Kyle & Marcia Post**

Prayer Opportunities for Everyone

Wayland CRC Prayer Line anytime – (269) 792-PRAY

We want to pray for you! Please notify the office with prayer requests & updates.

Schedule for Weekly Offerings

Offering envelopes are in the chair pockets or in the back of church.

December 4 – Local Expenses – pays for the day-to-day operations of the church.

December 11 – Dégagé Ministries – works in the Grand Rapids Heartside neighborhood reflecting the love of Christ to the poor and dispossessed of the area by being a safe harbor where friendships are formed and community begins.

December 18 – Christian Education Assistance Fund – helps our church families with the cost of tuition.

December 25 – (Christmas) - Bible League – purpose is serving the under-resourced Church globally through the provision of Bibles, biblical resources, and training to transform lives worldwide through God's Word.

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This Week's Activities (December 4-10)		
Today	8:45 a.m.	Prayer Time for Service
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:45 a.m.	Senior Christmas Lunch
	5:00 p.m.	Evening Bible Study
Monday	6:30 p.m.	First Place Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	Elders Meeting
	7:30 p.m.	Council Meeting
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Cadets & GEMS
	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study

Future Worship Services & Special Notes			
December 11, 2022	AM	Jerry Zandstra	
	PM	Russ Ooms	
December 18, 2022	AM	Jerry Zandstra	Christmas Program
December 25, 2022	AM	Jerry Zandstra	Christmas Day Service
January 1, 2022	AM	Dan VanderWeide	Preparatory
January 8, 2022	AM	Jerry Zandstra	Communion & Potluck
	PM	Russ Ooms	

Service Assignments for Volunteers		
	Today	Next Sunday
Nursery	James & Andrea Buist Nick Erlanger Cameron DeHaan	Glyn & Char Davies Zoey Grassmid Kassidy Rook
Little Lambs	Dawn Oosterheert Charlie Johnson	Dawn Oosterheert Harley Kamps
Children's Worship	Shari Oetman	Shari Oetman
Ushers	Scott Schaafsma Ken Sterk	Tyler Oetman Shannon Bird
Greeters W	George Peereboom	Harvey Potter
S	Bev Post	Anita Procter
Sound System	Emmitt Bird	Shannon Bird
Security	Darren Striegle	Tom Apol
Roaming Greeters	Willy & Mary Lou	Willy & Mary Lou
Morning Coffee	Ron & Ruth Grassmid	Ron & Ruth Grassmid