**GREETERS & COFFEE SERVERS** 

(After the morning service) TODAY: 1B – Dash & Amber DG (Wed) JAN 01: 2A – Mark & Dar F JAN 05: 2B – Pete & Jennifer S

### SOUND/PROJECTION

TODAY: Jerry V & Ian H (Wed) JAN 01: Caleb dB & Evan W JAN 05: Craig V & Justin H

> DECEMBER USHERS: Evan W, Nathan B, Justin H JANUARY USHERS Doug B, Dave K, Tom C

<u>NURSERY</u> TODAY: AM - Sarah W, Linzie K, Aralyn H, Grady DS PM - Kristi S, Jasmine B (Wed) JAN 1: AM - Leandra H, Maliyah DB, Isabella B JAN 05: AM - Mindy B, Lora V Nicole VDZ, Tenley B PM - Lavonne B, Jackson VH

\*If you are unable to be in nursery, you are responsible to find your own replacement. (If in high school find another high schooler, and if in grade school find another grade schooler) This is important so we can meet our safe church policies. Thank you!

# CHILDREN & WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Children (3ys old – PK) will be dismissed for C & W following the prayer of confession Your child(ren) will meet the helpers in the back of the sanctuary and walk together to the classroom. Please pick up your child(ren) at Room 9 after the service. If your child is not ready to participate right when they turn three, they are welcome to join anytime throughout the year. To avoid distractions during our worship time, please have your child(ren) leave their personal belongings with you. We ask that your child is potty trained before they attend class. If this is a concern for you, please talk to Rachel Verwolf and she will work with you to make a plan that is best for your child.

### TODAY: CHRISTMAS BREAK

JAN 05: #16 How the Church Tells Time (pg 126) Leader/Rachel – Helpers/Maeley & Sarah

## OFFERING SCHEDULE

Offerings can be mailed to: Hope CRC, PO Box 580, Hull, IA 51239

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{TODAY: AM 1}^{st} - \mbox{Hope Education} & 2^{nd} - \mbox{Benevolent Fund} & PM - \mbox{Craig & Jeanine Broek} \\ \mbox{(Wed) JAN 01: AM 1}^{st} - \mbox{Hope Education} & 2^{nd} - \mbox{Benevolent Fund} & \mbox{HAPPY NEW YEAR!} \\ \mbox{JAN 05: AM 1}^{st} - \mbox{General Fund} & 2^{nd} - \mbox{Mark & JinHee Klompien} & \mbox{PM} - \mbox{Village NW} \\ \end{array}$ 

#### Hope Council Members 2024-25

ELDERS: Dar Boer, Shawn De Stigter, Randy Ten Pas, Joe Dirksen, Cal Van Der Zwaag, Craig Stiemsma, Brad Driesen

DEACONS: Matt Roetman, Mike Van Otterloo, Scott Westra, Brian Fykstra Jacob Van Ginkel, Nate Van Kley Pastor's Office: 439-1201 Church Office: 439-1279 1407 6<sup>th</sup> St, Hull IA www.hullhopecrc.org

# **Hope Christian Reformed Church**



I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

Psalm 145:1-2

**December 29, 2024** Morning Service - 9:30am Evening Service - 6:00pm

# **Morning Worship Service**

Leading Worship: Pastor Keith Hoekstra ~ Accompanist: Jan Van Otterloo

#### **God Gathers Us for Worship**

Welcome and Announcements \*Song of Praise: "Now With Joyful Exultation" (LUYH 512 1-3) \*Call to Worship \*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting \*Song of Praise: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" (LUYH 581)

#### God Reminds Us Who We Are in Him

A Guide for Grateful Living: Mark 2:16-18

We Respond in Repentance in Unison Prayer – Most High God, you are almighty and all knowing. We can hide nothing from you. Our hearts are sick with sin and we need you so desperately. Jesus, our Savior, please forgive us for ignoring our sin and being quick to diagnose the sin we see in others. Grant us grace and healing. In Your name we pray, AMEN. Song of Gratitude: "Come to the Savior Now" (PH 535) We Join in Prayer for One Another

#### God Speaks to Us Through His Word

\*Song of Preparation: "How Bright Appears the Morning Star" (PH 357 1 & 3)
Scripture: Revelation 22:12-21
Prayer of Preparation
Message: A Loving Closing
Prayer of Application
We Give our Offerings for God's Work
Preparatory Exhortation for the Lord's Supper (PH 976-977)
\*Song of Application: "Of the Father's Love Begotten" (PH 342 1,4 & 5)

#### God Sends Us to Serve with His Blessing \*God's Blessing

\*Closing Song: "What Child Is This" (LUYH 95 1 & 3) \*Postlude

Sermon Notes:

# **Evening Worship Service**

Leading Worship: Pastor Keith Hoekstra ~ Accompanist: Breanna Ten Pas

#### **God Prepares our Hearts for Worship**

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements Christmas Song of Praise: "The First Noel" (CH 265 1,2,3, 5 & 6) Noel comes from the Latin word meaning "to be born". The song tells the story of the early days of Jesus from the shepherds to the wise men all the way to the blood that brought our salvation. Also, it should be noted that it was first published in 1823, so it has been around for over 200 years!

#### **<u>God Draws Us to Himself</u>**

\*Call to Worship \*God's Greeting \*Profession of Faith – Apostles Creed Song of Response: "Jesus Priceless Treasure" (LUYH 425 1,3,4) Congregational prayer

#### God Speaks to Us through His Word

\*Song of Preparation: "Rejoice O Pure in Heart" (LUYH 353 1,2 & 4) Scripture Passage: Luke 9:57-63 Prayer of Preparation Message: *The Cost of Discipleship* Prayer of Application

#### **God Sends Us to Serve and Bless**

Offering given for God's Work \*Song of Application: "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" (CH 602 1-4) \*God's Blessing \*Closing Song: "Lord Bid Your Servant Go in Peace" (LUYH 97 1 & 2) \*Postlude

Sermon Notes:

#### Note from the Deacons:

Thank you for your support of the Hope CRC building project! We will be taking donations physically or online in 2 separate ways as follows:

Building Addition 2024 Offering - This is for those who may not have been able to pledge to the project, but would like to help if they can when they can. We will have specific offerings throughout the year or specify on your envelope at any time.

Building Addition 2024 Pledge - This is for those who have pledged to the project and would like their donation entered as a pledge to automatically decrease their remaining pledge balance. If you would like the donation recorded against your pledge, please make sure you mark your check or envelope with "Pledge" on it.

# Welcome to Hope Christian Reformed Church!

- You may view our Sunday church services on YouTube beginning at 9:25 am and 5:55 pm and anytime thereafter.
- ✤ Nursery is available for ages 0-2yrs during the morning and evening services.
- Coffee Fellowship takes place after the morning service.
- ♦ We have Sunday School for grades K-12 immediately following the service (Sept April).
- Please send bulletin announcements to <u>hopecrchullsecretary@gmail.com</u> by Thursday morning.
- ✤ If you would like to receive church emails, please contact <u>hopecrchullsecretary@gmail.com</u>
- If you have any prayer requests, email them to <u>hopecrchull@gmail.com</u> or contact Pastor Keith or another elder.
- If you wish to use the church building for an event, please contact the office secretary by email: <u>hopecrchullsecretary@gmail.com</u> with the details. Thank you

#### WORSHIP NOTES

We welcome you to worship this week. We are glad you are worshipping with us.

In the morning we join again in worship, as we prepare for the closing of a year, we are invited to consider the message that John writes in closing the book of Revelation. As we look at Revelation 22:12-21 we examine the loving closing that God gives us at the end of His special revelation, which has for us a promise, an invitation, and instruction as we consider all that God has done this year.

In the evening we invite you to join us in worship. This Sunday we conclude our series that we have titled "After the Mount" in looking at the book of Luke and the ministry of Christ after the sermon on the mount. This evening we will look together at Luke 9:57-63 and ask the question what is the cost of our discipleship?

We praise God that He has called us to worship Him in joy and in fellowship!

#### HOPE CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS

- Beth Marks had successful surgery on her hand and is recuperating at home. We are grateful for the work of the surgeons and pray for her on-going healing.
- Wanda Talsma returned home after a stay in the hospital, we rejoice that she was able to return home and continue to pray for her full healing from Influenza.
- We continue to pray for healing, peace, and comfort for Liz Hoekstra and the whole family.
- Continue to keep Taylyn Vander Schaaf in your prayers as she goes through her weekly treatments. Pray for comfort for the whole family.
- We pray for those who have ongoing health concerns, including cancer treatment and recovery from surgery. We pray for healing, care, pain relief, and recovery.
- Pray for those who mourn, who have lost those whom they loved and miss.
- Pray for all who are struggling with an addiction, emotional hurt, depression, anxiety, and mental illness.
- Pray for our families, our marriages, that God would strengthen them, guide them, and be honored in them.
- Pray for those who cannot join us in worship, that they would be comforted and feel close to the congregation. We pray for Bill Heynen in Crown Point at Sioux Center.
- We pray for those serving our communities in law enforcement, emergency services, fire department, and those who serve our country in the armed forces.

#### PRAYER TIME

We invite you to join us for a time of prayer and sweet communication with God. On Thursday's anytime between 2:00pm – 7:00pm, come and pray for each other, our church, our community, our country, and our world. You are welcome to pray in the sanctuary, pray around the church, pray in the classrooms, pray with others, pray by yourself, or pray with Pastor Keith. Let us take humble posture in prayer, be purposeful in our prayer, and embrace the promises we have from God in prayer.

#### THIS WEEK

There will be no Sunday School classes or Children & Worship today.

News Years Day Service will be held on Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30am.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Womens Bible Study: Please join us for a new study starting on January 6<sup>th</sup> and meeting every other Monday night. This will be an eight-session video series called the "Lyrics of Life" with Lisa Harper. She will teach from the book of Psalms as we learn how to find comfort in any situation based on this songbook of the people of God. Any questions, contact Janine Christensen.

Coffee Break: Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 8th at 9:50am. We will be starting a new study on Hebrews, so all ladies are welcome to join us.

Note: If you dropped off meals for Liz and Pastor, you will find your dishes in the church kitchen.

## **BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE**

It is with great joy that we are pleased to announce that the pledges currently in for the building project amount to \$1,251,000! This is more than the 66% goal voted on to start construction which was \$1,129,194. The council is moving forward in 2 ways:

Ad-hoc Building Committee - They are securing final itemized bid(s) for the project with the hope of selecting a contractor soon and have a late spring start time if possible. Ad-hoc Finance Committee - They are finishing up entering any remaining pledges and establishing an account at Iowa State Bank to receive funds to be invested until needed.

Now that all the remaining pledge contacts have been made, we would like for those individuals to turn them in if they haven't already. Anyone whether pledged or not who wishes to make a donation before the end of the year can do so. Please indicate on your check if it is for your pledge or not. We would like to invest in the beginning of January any monies received up to that point.

~ Hope CRC Council ~