

Granum Christian Reformed Church

Rev. Pastor Henry Veldboom

Sunday, December 22, 2019

December 22, 2019 ~ Fourth Sunday in Advent

We Gather in God's Presence

Call to Worship ~ Psalm 103:20-22, Luke 2:11-14

*Song ~ "Angels from the Realm of Glory" L81:1,2,4,5

*God's Greeting

*Song ~ "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" L56

We Celebrate Christ the Light of the World

Prayer

Lighting of Advent Candles

*Song ~ "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" L667

God Speaks through His Word

Children's Blessing+

Scripture Reading ~ Micah 5:1-5

Sermon ~ The Shepherd King

Prayer of Application

We Respond to God's Word

*Songs ~ "O Shepherd Hear and Lead Your Flock" L64

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" L88:4

Congregational Prayer

Song ~ "Away in a Manger" L86

Offering ~ Roland Vanderburg

*Offertory Prayer

We Go Out with Hope

*Benediction

*Song ~ "Silent Night, Holy Night" L85:1,2,3

*Please stand if able

+Sunday School PreK/K dismissed

MUSICIANS:

Today- Jennie & Marg

Christmas Day- Worship Team

Next Sunday- Amy

GREETERS:

Today- Matt & Sandra

Christmas Day- Veldboom Family

Next Sunday- Mike & Jenn

USHER:

Today- Menzo & Ryan

Christmas Day- Justin & Chris

Next Sunday- Gary & Jason

A/V TEAM:

Today- Jeanette, Ben

Christmas Day- Lynae, Jeremy, Aidan

Next Sunday- Jeanette, Ben

NURSERY:

Today- Sylvia, Aidan

Christmas Day- Sharla & Mary

Next Sunday- Sherry & Keira

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPER:

Today- Keira

Next Sunday- Andrea

OFFERING:

Today- Roland Vandenberg

Christmas Day- World Renew

Next Sunday- General Fund

LIBRARY:

Dec- Jean & Jan

TODAY:

Nursery is available and is located upstairs

Sunday School

- Children PreK/K dismissed during the service

- All other classes are off until the New Year

Assembly – Children meet to sing after the service

6pm Christmas Program (Children here at 5:30)

-Grp# 8 Jeanette/Tom organizing luncheon

Everyone is invited to join in the Fellowship Hall following the service for coffee and come back at 6:00 tonight to enjoy the Christmas Program.

THIS WEEK:

Wednesday 10:00am Christmas Day Service

Saturday 6:00pm Congregational Skate/Hockey

Sunday No Sunday School classes

Coming Up:

Dec 31- New Year's Eve Service 6pm

Jan 1 -New Year's Day Service Nobleford 10am

CHURCH FAMILY

Please remember our members who need ongoing prayer, including:
Henrietta, Thea, Ralph, Aylmer & Norma, Albert & Barb,
Hetty & Bill, and Rob, Crystal & Alex.

OUR CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Christmas Program is TONIGHT, Sunday Dec 22 at 6pm (kids will need to be at church by 5:30pm) everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the program with a luncheon and fellowship to follow.

~Christmas Program Luncheon (after the program)- Work Group #8 organizing (Jeanette/Tom) Congregation is requested to bring Nut Free squares & cookies for the evening, please leave them in the kitchen prior to the program.

~ This year's congregational skate/hockey game will be Saturday Dec 28 from 6:00 to 8:00 (skating from 6-7pm and hockey from 7-8pm) at the Fort Macleod arena. Come on out for a skate, refreshments and donuts. Everyone is welcome to play hockey as well (no age limit), if you have equipment you can wear it, but remember it's all about just having fun! Cost is free for skating, \$10 if you play hockey.

We are also looking for someone who'd be willing to referee the game. If you can help us out let me know!
Any questions call Matt at 403 625 6170

~ The Deacons have been requested to explore the option of online giving and whether or not there is a demand for it in our congregation. If you are an individual or a family who would be interested in electronic giving options, please speak with one of the deacons.

GRANUM CRC NEWSLETTER

December 22, 2019

OUR COMMUNITY

The Evangelism Committee of the Nobleford CRC would like to invite you once again to our annual movie night. to be held on January 4th 2020. at 7 p.m. in the fellowship hall of our church, this year we are showing the movie Breakthrough, which was shown in theatres earlier this year. Popcorn and refreshments will be provided... We would love to see you there!!!

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY & AROUND THE WORLD

GRANT OPPORTUNITY - The Calvin Institute of Christian Worship invites churches to apply for a Worshiping Communities Vital Worship Grant for a year of learning and focusing on worship in 2020-2021. The grants program welcomes proposals for projects that connect public worship to intergenerational faith formation and Christian discipleship, a theme that can unfold in many facets of worship from Bible reading to preaching to baptism and Lord's Supper, intercessory prayer, congregational song, visual arts, and more. Information can be found at worship.calvin.edu/grants. The deadline is January 10, 2020. Please consider applying!

JANUARY SERIES - Coming this January for the 33rd year, Calvin University presents the 2020 January Series – the award-winning series of 15 weekly, lunchtime lectures. This year the series runs weekdays from January 8 through 28, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. EST. Topics include poverty and hunger, immigration, mass incarceration, religious freedom, the ethics of big data and so much more, by top experts in their fields. Thousands will join us on Calvin's campus for the daily noontime lectures; others will join the conversation via the live feed at 60 remote webcast sites across the continent, while others will listen online. For more information about the speakers, topics, remote sites, and listening options, visit www.calvin.edu/january

Cambodia Vision Trip - Join Resonate Global Mission missionaries on a vision trip to Cambodia, May 25 - June 6 2020. In Cambodia, the church has been rapidly growing, especially among young adults. Come explore Cambodian culture, learn from church and ministry leaders in Cambodia, and get a vision for ministry in Canada and the United States. Learn more by visiting www.resonateglobalmission.org/cambodia-trip

Church Leadership, A Home-Rebuilding Opportunity - Do you wonder how your church offerings to World Renew Disaster Response Services make a difference? Have you wanted to experience what it is like to repair disaster-damaged homes? Consider volunteering Monday – Friday, March 23-27, 2020, in North Carolina and find out for yourself! This is a week specifically for pastors and/or church staff leaders to work together and get directly involved in this ministry. Contact Chris Gibson at cgibson@worldrenew.net or 800-848-5818 to learn more.

Exciting Careers at World Renew - Join our team of energetic individuals who are passionate about Living Justice, Loving Mercy and Serving Christ. World Renew has the following exciting career opportunities: Donor Relations Manager - Alberta, ideally based in between Calgary & Edmonton; Refugee Program Associate, Part-Time, based in BC; and Safeguarding and Complaints Coordinator - based in Burlington, ON. See our website for more details about these opportunities and the links to apply: worldrenew.ca/careers.

In Colombia- Sources in Colombia are calling for urgent prayer as organizations endeavour to ban Christian evangelization among Indigenous communities. Within the Colombian constitution, Indigenous communities are granted special rights of self-governance. As a result, Christians have encountered significant persecution, with little or no recourse. Currently this group is fighting for a law to ban operation of Christian evangelization. Ask the Lord for His intervention so that the resolution to ban evangelization will not be passed