# New Holland Christian Reformed Church

Sunday December 22, 2024 10:00 AM Worship

# Fourth Sunday of Advent

Our Advent theme comes from the prophet Isaiah:

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Today we focus on the name of Jesus as Immanuel-God with Us Prelude

Welcome

Advent Reading (Please find this elsewhere in the bulletin)

Call to Worship **Isaiah 7:2** The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

God's Greeting/ Mutual Greeting

\* Emmanuel CH #243 (twice) Praise Team Opening Worship

\* O Come O Come Immanuel GH #328 1,5,6,7

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Offering New Building Fund/Ruth Veltkamp

(Children are dismissed for children's worship)

Video- Names of God Offertory

Special Music Carol Overweg, Deb VanZee

Scripture John 1:1-18

God with Us—Grace for us. Message

Prayer

Celebration of Communion

Song Behold the Lamb

- Sung while elements are being passed-
- The cup will be passed first—please place it in the pew cup holder-
- Then the bread will be passed-- Pastor will lead us to partake.

<sup>\*</sup>Song of Response There is a Redeemer Vs 1,2,3

\*God's Blessing

\*Closing Song O Praise The Name (Please let the children and teachers leave first)

\*Postlude

\*Congregation stand-if able

<u>Please note:</u> Hearing devices are available at the Sound Booth. Nursery is provided in the Fellowship Hall during worship. Please join us for refreshments/fellowship after the morning service in the Fellowship Hall. The back two rows are reserved for families with young children.

### **Announcements**

**Communion** will be part of today's worship service and the worship service on January 5. Reminder: The inner ring on the communion wine tray is grape juice.

**The Christmas Eve service** will include 15 to 20 minutes of music before the service starts.

The decorating committee invites you to share your family Christmas card with the congregation by hanging it in the fellowship hall for everyone to enjoy. Even if you don't do family Christmas cards, we still invite you to add any updated picture of your family for the holiday season! Clothespins are provided to hang up your picture. Contact Danica with any questions. Thanks!

On January 5, The installation of new council members Dennis Hubers, Vic Munneke (elders), Jon Hoeksema, and Rudy Niewenhuis (deacons) will take place. Thank you to outgoing council members Larry VanZee, Marty Overweg, Mike Zomer, and Brett Feenstra for your service to the NHCRC.

A potluck dinner will be held Sunday, January 5, after the morning worship to greet Pastor Josh Christoffels and his wife Karen, a potential candidate for our next pastor. Please bring a salad or dessert.

You are encouraged to listen and watch Pastor Josh Christoffels' preaching; his sermons can be found at the Hammond CRC Youtube link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@hammondcrc1959">https://www.youtube.com/@hammondcrc1959</a>

There will be no 3rd Sunday evening Bible study until January.

Our next Vine's Table meal will be Jan 11 at 11:30 am. Menu: French Toast and toppings (due to our cancellation in December, the menu has been moved to Jan.) This is a free meal to anyone over the age of 50 at Platte CRC. Please call Norma at 680-1691 to RSVP or sign up in the Platte CRC foyer. We'd love to see you there!

Mark Your Calendars! Mid-America Reformed Seminary invites you to the 2025 Center for Missions and Evangelism Conference on October 3-4 at Bethel Church in Lansing, IL. Join us as our speakers inspire and equip the church to proclaim the Good News. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks!

#### **Usher and Lift Information:**

Head: July-Dec N Trent Beltman July-Dec S Matt Hubers

Jan- June N Jerry BaanHofman

Jan-June S Dan Veurink

Ushers: Nov-Dec N Terry VanZee, Gary VanZee

Nov-Dec S Riley Niewenhuis, Ryder Niewenhuis Jan-Feb N Wayne Veurink, Brady BaanHofman

Jan-Feb S Blake Veurink, Dan Gruenewald

Lift: December Gary Noteboom

January 2025 Gary VanZee

Upcoming Special Music: 12/22 Geneva Overweg

1/12/25 Brad Vreugdenhil

1/26/25 Doug & JoEllen Dykstra

**Senior Birthday:** Harvey Hofstee December 26

### **Recap of Bulletin Dates:**

**Dec 22:** Advent theme-Immanuel God With Us-Communion

**Dec 24:** Christmas Eve Service, Tuesday @ 5:30 pm

January 5: Communion, Installation, Potluck

January 11: Vine's Table Meal

#### **Greeters:**

December 22 FH: Gord & Vicki Munneke

N: Tom & Nova Steinhauser

S: Wayne & Sharon Bok

December 24 FH: Roger & Norma Feenstra

N: Dennis & KayAnn Hubers

S: Joel & Kirsti Muckey

December 29 FH: Albertha Vreugdenhil; Vonnie VanHorssen

N: Delwin & Linda FeenstraS: Tim & Grace VanderLey

### Notes

John 1:1-18

God with Us—Grace for us.

Sufficient Grace:

## Advent Reading: Fourth Sunday of Advent

**Pastor:** Our Advent theme for this year comes from the prophet Isaiah. Isaiah 9:6 Lets read this verse together.

People: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**Pastor:** Today we also have another name given Jesus from Isaiah 7:14, Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign:

People: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will call him Immanuel.

**Reader 1:** Today we focus on the name given in Isaiah 7, Immanuel- Meaning God with us.

**Reader 2:** In a time of turmoil, darkness and uncertainty Isaiah reminds the people of a coming Messiah who would restore the throne of David and bring peace.

**Reader 1:** Jesus is the Christ—He is the promised anointed one from the God who is rich is mercy and abounding in grace!

**Reader 2:** Jesus tells the disciples he will fulfill his name-Immanuel- God with us, now and forever.

**Reader 1:** Matthew 28: 19-20 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

**Reader 2:** Jesus words, I am with you always—reminds us of God's promise grace through Jesus sacrifice and He will be forever Immanuel—God with us.

**Reader 1:** As we light this candle of Grace, we are reminded that the grace of God means, that we are no longer alone in darkness and we have been given the gift of eternal life with him.

**People:** No matter what I am going through, God is faithful in all his promises and his grace is sufficient. Jesus is always with me. He is Immanuel God with us, now and forever! Amen!

### Today, December 22, 2024

#### Prayer at 9:30 am, Worship at 10:00 am

Valet Wayne Veurink

**Accompanist** Rachelle Hubers

Offerings New Building Fund/Ruth Veltkamp

Scripture Reader **Carol Overweg** 

> Cody & Sav F.; Linda F; Brenda V. Nursery

Praise Team Laurie Munneke, Jay F, Derrick Veurink

Children's Church Mitch & Sara Munneke

> **Dustin Feenstra** Projection Sound Traci Niewenhuis **Library** Mavis Veurink

> > Coffee Willis & Jane DeLange

Cyndee VanderPol, Aspen N, Carol D Cookies

# Christmas Eve Service: Tuesday, December 24 5:30

Accompaniment JoEllen Dykstra Sound Kate DeLange Valet Jon Dykshorn **Nursery** JR/HS students

Scripture Reader Matt Hubers **Projection**SarahBaanHofman

### Next Sunday, December 29, 2024

Prayer at 9:30 am, Worship at 10:00 am

Valet Doug Dykstra Accompanist Carly Lagge

Offerings General Fund/Classical Fund

Scripture Reader Brenda Veurink

> Nursery Jon & Taryn H.; Jerry & Marjo BH

Carol O, Brittney & Blake Veurink, Larry VanZee Praise Team

Children's Church Jeff & Katie Millar

> Projection Derrick Veurink Sound

Ryder Niewenhuis

Carol Muckey Library

Coffee Norm & Bonnie DeLange

Brandi DeLange, Geneva Overweg, Sara M Cookies

Church-Hall Reservations: Cyndee VanderPol 243-2333 or 680-2042. Bulletin items can be emailed by 4:00 PM Thursday (<u>mveurink@midstatesd.net</u>) to Donna Veurink