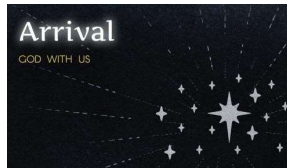


Layover

Genesis 12:10, 37:28, 46:6
Matthew 2:13-16



Old Testament Passages:

Genesis 12:10

Genesis 37:28

Genesis 46:6

Hosea 11:1

Jeremiah 31:15

DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Nov 21:

Received for General Ministries: \$7,917.00
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$6,445.00
Received for Christian Education: \$285.00
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$629.20

Community Offering:

CRC Chaplaincy Ministry \$100.00

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: The **Gideons International** is an association of Christians dedicated to telling people about Jesus through associating together for service, sharing personal testimony, and by providing Bibles and New Testaments. While they are often recognized for their work with hotels, they also place and distribute Scriptures in other strategic locations. This makes them available to those who want them, as well as to those who may not know they need them.

December 5: Resonate Global Missions – Jesse & Jari Rodriguez

December 12: Safe Haven Ministries

December 19: Access of West Michigan

December 26: ASJ (Assoc. for a More Just Society)

THIS WEEK

Monday, Nov 29

9-3 Food Pantry

Tuesday, Nov 30

9:15 Tuesday small group

6pm Life Skills

Wednesday, Dec 1

2pm Blood Drive

Thursday, Dec 2

6:30am Men's Bible Study

7pm Women's Bible Study

Sunday, Dec 5

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

11am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP

YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY, Dec 12

ADMIN BOARD, Dec 14

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, Dec 16

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

TODAY: First Sunday of Advent – Jesus shows us in the way he arrives at Christmas that he shows up in our very ordinary world; and God continues to show up in our ordinary world today.

NEXT WEEK: Second Sunday of Advent – No one likes to have their life rerouted in directions that appear to be wasted; Jesus shows us that God uses these waiting times for his purposes.

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November 28, 2021

Welcome!
We are glad you are here!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service

Also available during worship

- Nursery for infants & toddlers (*currently unstaffed)
- "Busy Bags" with kid's bulletin & activities
- Puzzle & sermon notes written by Pastor Tom for students Grades 3 & up (found by weekly bulletins)

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & SONGSHEETS are available at the sound booth

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Angels From the Realms of Glory (Emmanuel)
Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

Sacrament of Communion

Behold The Lamb

God's Gift to the World - lighting the candle of hope

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Matthew 2:13-16*

¹³ *When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him."*

¹⁴ *So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, ¹⁵ where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son."*

¹⁶ *When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi.*

Message "layover"

O Come O Come Emmanuel
Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY:

9:30am Worship
10:30am Church School
11am Adult Bible Study
5pm Middle School Youth Group
6pm High School Youth Group

CHURCH LIFE

This morning, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion together.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

Can be found in your mailboxes this week. If you would like additional copies, they can be found at the welcome desk.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

All are invited to join - Sundays at 11am in room 10. Questions? Contact **Mike Philo** (lphil@calvin.edu) or **Dave Cook** (dcook@calvin.edu).

YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Christmas Youth Orchestra on Dec 12 - The Youth Orchestra is open to anyone who has played a string or band instrument for at least one year (adults are welcome too!). Rehearsals will be Sunday, Dec 5 from 11:30am-1pm (pizza will be provided) and Wednesday, Dec 8 at 7pm-8:15pm. If you are going to participate, please let **Andrew Lenhart** know.

GIVING ENVELOPES

If you are currently using giving envelopes but would like not to receive them next year, or are not receiving them but would like a set next year, please inform your district deacon.

SOCIAL GATHERING

The December monthly gathering is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec 7, 1-3 pm here at Fellowship. Plans are to play Bingo, sing some Christmas carols, and a time of refreshments. All who are available to attend are welcome. Questions? Contact **Myrna Koning, Ellie Postma, Diane Ronda, Sharon Walcott, or Barb Sanders**.

THANKS FOR GIVING

November is a time of thanksgiving. God has given us so many blessings that we can hardly count them all. The Missions and Community Connections Committee encourages everyone to join our "THANKS FOR GIVING" Food/Blessings Drive for our Fellowship Food Pantry. There will be a special collection area in the lobby on Sunday, Nov 28. Needs for the pantry are listed in the Fellowship Weekly.

ADULT EDUCATION

On Sunday, Dec 12, during Adult Education, **Gary Roode** will be sharing his testimony of God's faithfulness and presence in his life as share reflections on his accident which occurred last year. Hope you are able to be part of this time following on Dec 12, 10:45 – 11:30.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Will meet this week Thursday, Dec 2 at 6:30am at Red Geranium Café.

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for the bag of cards I received! It meant a lot and put a huge smile on my face. I remember you all with love. Enjoy your Christmas season ~ Love, **Sherri DeVries**

PRAYER FOCUS

- For Gideon's International telling people about Jesus by congregating together, sharing personal testimony and providing Bibles and New Testaments.
- For those who serve as CRC chaplains who provide spiritual care to people in pain or spiritual distress.
- For the Love Food Pantry and the families that receive support through this ministry.
- For our upcoming Blood Drive and all those who will benefit from donations.
- Pray for those who journey with grief following the recent death of a loved one. We remember the families of Ron Dykstra and Pearl Tap who passed away during this past year.
- Remember in prayer those who are not able to worship with us on Sundays: **Gloria DeWitte, Lois Oom, and Rachel Tjoelker**.
- Remember in your prayers those who have ongoing health needs and concerns: **Rick Carter, Valerie Fleming, Marv Houtstra (cancer), Pastor Bill Huyser, Len Koetje, Randy Kraker, Arv Tap, Rog Visser (stroke), Tom & Donna Westra (cancer)**.

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

BLOOD DRIVE

Our next blood drive is scheduled for Dec 1, from 2-8pm. Our goal is to collect 24 pints which requires approximately 35 donors. To sign up go to <https://bit.ly/fellowshipcrrcdec1> or on the M&CC bulletin board in the lobby. We also need some goodies for the canteen. Sign up on the M&CC bulletin board to provide a snack for those donating blood. Contact **Myrna Koning** with questions.

FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for your continued support as we serve our community. We have served 12 households so far this month. Some items we could use are: *Mustard, Grape jelly, Soft flour tortillas, Taco seasoning, Brownie mix, Macaroni noodles, Ground coffee* **please note: we have been overly blessed with canned vegetables and are not in need of more at this time**

BACKPACK BUDDIES

We currently have **36 children** from Central Elementary in our program. Feeding America continues to be a good source for many needed food items through the CARES and USDA programs but some items we use are not available through the agency. Our needs for the coming weeks include: *Fruit cups, Nutrigrain bars, boxed pastas (Chicken & Tuna Helper, Pasta Roni etc.), snacks (individual pretzels, popcorn, granola bars) and plastic grocery bags*. Cash donations or gift cards to Meijer, Aldi & Costco can be given through the deacons. Please place items in the wooden box in the lobby. Thank you for showing Christ's love to our neighbors through your support of this ministry ~ **Sandy Campo** 616-889-3134.