

WYCKOFF REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God, Making Disciples of Jesus, Living Missionally

December 11, 2022

Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit to The Wyckoff Reformed Church!

HOSPITALITY NOTES

These resources are also available at www.wyckoffreformed.org/worshipguides. To participate in this service online, join us at wrclive.org or on Facebook Live.

If you need to use a restroom, they are available through the right-hand door at the front of the sanctuary.

A quiet room is available through the left-hand door as well.

Masks are recommended for all those in attendance. Note that all those singing and leading from the front are fully vaccinated.

Our classrooms are: Nursery (Birth-3), Kids (ages 4-9), and Students (ages 10-13). Nursery-aged children may be dropped off in the blue room of the Education Building before worship starts. During Advent, Kids and Students will start the service with their families and will be dismissed to the choir room (in the sanctuary) after the Family Moment. They will come back to the sanctuary to perform 'Joy to the World' at the end of the service. Confirmation students are expected to remain in the service.

Guardians will check in their children on the iPad.

Bold sections will be read aloud together.

* Invites you to rise in body or in spirit.

Want to get connected, learn more, or grow in your faith? Fill out the connection card at www.wyckoffreformed.org/connect.

GATHERED BY GOD

GATHERING MUSIC

"WONDERFUL, MERCIFUL, SAVIOR"

WELCOME

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth, Amen.

ADVENT CANDLE

"O Key of David, O Royal Power of Israel controlling at your will the gate of heaven: come, break down the prison walls of death for those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death; and lead your captive people into freedom."

***SONGS OF PRAISE**

"O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL" #61 V.5
"LO' HOW A ROSE 'ERE BLOOMING" #79

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

O Key of David, O Royal Power of Israel, you bloom radiant and miraculous in the darkness. In the advent of your coming to bear the world's sin and need, your people ached for a savior. They longed and hoped and waited for rescue like a child waits for Christmas morning.

Spirit of God-who anoints and reveals and sustains, abide with us in these next quiet moments as we examine ourselves before you.

While we hold silence ponder these questions:

For what are we longing? How are we aching? What sin needs to die in us? What needs to awaken?

PROMISE OF GRACE

God, with great love and humility comes, faithful to God's ancient promises. God the Son holds the key to heaven, opens the door to us, redeems the world and banishes the darkness.

*SONG OF PRAISE "HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING" #80

FAMILY MOMENT

Sara Christie

Children will be walked to their lesson at this time.

OFFERING

This Sunday we are reintroducing the collection of the offering to our worship service. During the offering, Pastor Andy will start passing the offering plates at the front. You are invited to pass the plates down each row and then pass it to the row behind you. The ushers will collect the plates in the back. Plates will be brought to those in the balcony. Giving our offerings is an important action that symbolizes the gift of our whole lives to Christ. We give cheerfully and joyously. If you give electronically, consider placing an electronic giving card from the pew back in the plate as a symbol of your gift!

OFFERTORY

"DO NOT BE AFRAID MARY" Soloist: Carly Da Silva

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, all creatures here below Praise Him, above ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

LISTENING TO GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE 1 SAMUEL 16: 1-13

SERMON "MORE THAN WATCHMEN: DAVID"

Rev. Andy Kadzban

SERMON NOTES

RESPONDING TO GOD

*SONG OF RESPONSE

"ONCE IN DAVID'S ROYAL CITY" #87 V.V.1-5

*APOSTLES' CREED

We join our voices together with Christians throughout the ages to proclaim these words: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

"WE WAIT IN HOPE FOR THE LORD"

We wait in hope for the Lord He is our hope and our shield In him our hearts rejoice For we trust in his holy name

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SONG OF SENDING "JOY TO THE WORLD" #92 VV. 1-3
Kids Ensemble

*SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING NUMBERS 6:24-26

POSTLUDE

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Please join us after worship in Heneveld Hall for coffee and fellowship.

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Susan Fox, Cathy and Art DelColliano, Erika Bach, Janette Daehnke, Bruce Monroe, Trudie Zegel, Roz Brickman, Jeannie Tamaroglio, Chuck Austin, Joyce Wolff, Eileen Black, Brad Ritter, Donna, Teagan Christophersen, Cheryl, Larry, Jane Taylor, Rick, Melissa, Michael Trautmann, Mike, Henry Jaarsma, David Murdock, Neal Schlendorf, Frank, Pam Ritter, Lauren, George, Jack Broderick, Donald Moore

It is with sadness that we write to inform you of the passing on to glory of former member, Ruth Grape, on Wednesday, December 7. Our prayers are with her daughters, Irene, Donna, Christina, and their families.

WEEKLY EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY, Wednesdays at 9:00 am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/91413616383?pwd=QmVKd3djNU5mdVYyQINwQ 3crbTNvQT09

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT WRC!

This year on Christmas Eve, we will have our 12:00pm Traveler's Service, our 5:00pm Family Service and our 9:00pm Candlelight Service, all in the sanctuary.

Our Christmas Day worship service will be at 10:30am, and our New Year's Day worship service will be at 9:30am, also in the sanctuary.

ADVENT GATHERINGS

Sunday, December 11 and Sunday, December 18 from 4:30-6pm. All ages will worship and share a meal together. Then, we will split into small groups while the children are dismissed for their own lesson. We will be working through the Advent Conspiracy curriculum as we discover what it means to spend less, give more, and love all this Advent. To help us plan appropriately, please REGISTER ONLINE. https://tinyurl.com/adventgatherings

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias will be used to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas. Plants can be purchased in memory of, or in tribute to, a family member or loved one. You may then pick up your poinsettia from the sanctuary after Christmas Eve services or Sunday Service on December 25th for you to enjoy at home. Extra plants will be delivered to shut-in members of the congregation. Poinsettias are \$15 and can be ordered by calling the office or using the online form at: https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/poinsettia-order-form. Please order by Friday, December 16.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON THE CARILLON

Advent is here! With this holy and joyful time comes a host of special music ringing from the carillon. This year, you can again sponsor your favorite Christmas Carols any day throughout Advent.

The calendar for sponsorship and the list of carols can be found here: https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/christmascarillon.

It's an easy process and you can pay online, too. Weekday pricing starts at \$20. Holiday times are more. And don't forget to come and hear your special music play! It is glorious!

WRC WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS GATHERING

The Christmas season is upon us and we wanted to remind you about our WRCW Christmas gathering on Wednesday, December 14 at 12:30 PM. Please remember that we are having a fun gift exchange at this meeting. Don't forget to bring a wrapped gift - something new or like new from home. Please keep in mind that nursery school is in session and we are not allowed in the building before 12:30 PM due to Covid restrictions. Can't wait to celebrate Christmas with all of you!

WRC BOOK CLUB

Our next book will be Left on Tenth: A Second Chance at Life: A Memoir by Delia Ephron. This book is available in the library system. Our next meeting will be Thursday December 15th at 3:00 pm -in the Memorial Room --- and via Zoom.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

NEW HOPE COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

New Hope Community Ministries needs our help with the Christmas Market! We hope you bought toys on Amazon for the New Hope families and had them sent to New Hope Community Ministries. Now, they need volunteers to sign up and help at the Christmas Market on Monday, 12/12 and Thursday, 12/13.

Here is the SignUp Genius link to sign up:

https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/30e0c4cacae2da0fd0-newhope If you have any questions, contact Karen Riether @ 201-788-5674 or kriether@gmail.com

FAMILY MINISTRY

MATERIALS PICKUP

Thank you to all who donated materials for our Christmas Stroll last Friday! If you lent us a spotlight, feel free to pick it up from the church office anytime between 9:30-2:30pm during the week. Contact Sara, 55-1427-3685, to arrange pick up outside of these hours. Thank you again!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

During Advent, our kids and students (ages 4 through 7th grade) will go to the choir room for their lesson. The nursery will still be open.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group will meet virtually for 30 minutes 12/11. We hope families will attend that day's Advent Gathering as well.

We will have regular youth group on 12/18 from 7-8:30pm for our Christmas party. The gingerbread decorating competition is raised this year as we will be creating Nativity scenes!

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 11

Sunday Worship 9:30 AM 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Fellowship Hour Advent Gathering 4:30 PM **Zoom Youth Group** 7:00 PM

Tuesday, December 13

7:30 PM **Consistory Meeting**

Wednesday, December 14

9:00 AM Zoom Bible Study 12:30 PM WRC Women Meeting 6:30 PM Choir Practice

Sunday, December 18

9:30 AM Sunday Worship Sunday School 9:30 AM Fellowship Hour 10:30 AM Advent Gathering 4:30 PM Youth Group Christmas Party 7:00 PM

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CONTACT US

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