

Abbe Reformed Church

Christ the King Sunday
November 23, 2014 – 10:15 AM

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

Prelude *Joyful, Joyful* Bell Choir

*Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn *Crown Him with Many Crowns* #234

*Prayer of Confession

**Righteous God,
you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all.
We confess that we have not bowed before him
and are slow to acknowledge his rule.
We give allegiance to the powers of this world
and fail to be governed by justice and love.**

**In your mercy, forgive us.
Stir us to praise him as ruler of all,
that we may be loyal ambassadors,
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Words of Assurance

*Song of Praise *O Worship the King* see insert

*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Children's Time Trudy Williams

Choir Anthem *Bless This House*

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading *Ephesians 6:10-24* see insert

Message Pastor Kristen

OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

*Saying What We Believe *The Nicene Creed* see insert

*Song of Response *Our God Reigns* #229

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

Greeting and Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Sending Song *Build Your Kingdom Here* see insert

*Benediction

Pastors Kristen & Noah Livingston
Jennifer Schruers, Music Director
Eric Legters, Pianist

**Congregation please stand as able*

2014 Consistory

Elders


Scott Bensink - Vice President (2015)
Duane Williams - Clerk (2014)
Quentin Bensink (2015)
Lucinda Legters (2016)
Harvey Oonk (2016)
Nelson TeCrony (2014)

Deacons

(2015) Head Deacon - Eric Dunnewold
(2014) Benevolent Treasurer - Mike Einink
(2016) Philip Beckerink
(2015) Brian Jantzi
(2016) Jason Stapels
(2014) Garret Willink

In the name of Christ, we welcome you to the fellowship of Abbe Church, its work and worship, its instruction and service, and to its comfort and blessing.

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Prayer Concerns and Celebrations: Continue to keep all those who are confined to nursing homes and all those who have ongoing physical problems in your thoughts and prayers, including: *Paul Covey, Dave Crowell, Lucas Gibbons, Ernie Hinsdale, Doris Holthouse, Sandy Koerselman, Eric Legters, Karlie Lehman, Skylar MacDonald, Aaron Miles, Carol Neckers, Carletta Russell, Zach See, Paul and Josie TenHuisen, Doug Whitmore and Roger Wiltsie.*

Also continue to keep each of the older members of our congregation in your prayers.

Pray again this week for our congregation and our community as a whole. Remember *our Pastors, the Consistory, our Sunday School, the Teens On Fire Youth Group, Awana, REACH Ministry, MOPS, and Wee Care Preschool.*

Continue to pray again this week for our country, for our President, as well as our national, state and local leaders.

Continue to pray faithfully for the safety of our armed forces in and returning home from various combat zones and for the cause of peace in our world.

Remember again this week to pray for each of our missionaries and mission projects, especially remembering *David and Charlene Alexander* in Kaohsiung, Taiwan, as we ask that God will continue to bless their efforts as they reach out to others in Jesus' name.

Songs of the Faith - An Hour of Singing!

Christmas sing, 7PM Dec. 7 @ Abbe

We will use most of the Christmas songs in our hymnal, and you may continue to add ideas to the box on the back table if you have a Christmas favorite you *REALLY, REALLY* want to sing!

A **cookie sign-up** for the reception will also be on the table, bring your favorite variety of the season!

The Upper Room Sunday School classes will be going Christmas caroling around Clymer on December 7th, weather permitting.

The Sunday School Christmas program is being planned for December 14th, during the Sunday School hour.

Calling all singers! Come one, come all!

The First Noel by Russ Mauldin, a combined church/community cantata.

We will perform the cantata at Camp Findley, Weaver Hall on Sunday, 12/14, at 7:00PM.

Choir rehearses at 6:00PM on that date.

Choir rehearsals every Thursday evening at 7:00PM at the Findley Lake United Methodist Church. Any questions, please contact Dave Calvert at DCalvert@calvertagency.com

Christmas Caroling

Come join REACH for an afternoon of Christmas caroling on Saturday December 13th from 2pm to 4pm. We will gather at 2pm in the Abbe fellowship hall, divide up into groups and return to the church for cookies and hot cocoa by 4pm. We'll need one group to head to the Corry Manor to sing with the residents at their Christmas party at 3pm. So, if you like to sing but don't like being out in the cold, we would love to have you be part of the group that sings at the Manor. Randy Wassink will also be bringing his team of horses and sleigh for caroling around Clymer! Come join in on the fun even if you think you can't sing!! It's sure to be a festive and fun way to bless others! There will be a sign up sheet at the back of the church for those who are interested in singing and/or providing cookies.....all are welcome! Any questions please contact Lucinda Legters or Leanna Willink.

Thanksgiving Eve service

Abbe's annual Thanksgiving Eve service will be held this Wednesday, November 26th at 7:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Gathering around stories of God's provision and prayer will be the two main pieces of this informal service. Let us give thanks to God!

Congregational Meeting

On December 7th, Sunday School classes will be canceled to make space for gathering for the congregational meeting. Afterwards we'll gather for a communal meal. At the meeting, we'll hear some updates on our missionaries, receive the 2015 budget proposals, and vote on the election of elders & deacons.

Hanging of the Greens & Advent Workshop

The Saturday after Thanksgiving, grab your holiday spirit and come on over to help ready the church for the Advent & Christmas season! Starting at 9am, we prop up the ladders and unpack the boxes to decorate the sanctuary. This year, we'll also be focusing a special Advent workshop for children as they help us transform the fellowship hall & entryway too. Coffee, hot chocolate, and baked goods will be provided. :) This is a great opportunity to fellowship together as a community while making the church festive and beautiful as we prepare for this season!

Today:

10:15 AM - Morning Worship
11:30 AM - Sunday School
7:00 PM - Bible Study

This Week:

Wednesday - 7:30 PM - Thanksgiving Eve Service
Saturday - Hanging of the Greens & Advent Workshop

SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS WEEK

Acolytes Alex Dunnewold and Michael Shampoe
Ushers Brent Deuink and Duane Williams
Greeters Judy Bensink and Dianne Einink
Greeting Elder Duane Williams
Nursery Libby Heil
Cameraperson Josh Summers

SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK

Acolytes Holly Neckers and Natalie White
Ushers Eric Heil and Esther Nickerson
Greeters Tracy and Laurie TeWinkle
Greeting Elder Lucinda Legters
Nursery Sandy and Tina Koerselman
Cameraperson Daniel Gustafson

Shut in of the Week: Ernie Hinsdale at Heritage Park Rehab

Missionaries of the Week: David and Charlene Alexander in Kaohsiung, Taiwan

Nursery Signup:

Anyone who would like to sit in the nursery can sign up on the sheet on the table in the back of the sanctuary. If your name is currently on the list, you do not need to sign up again.
Should you have any questions, please contact Esther Nickerson. Thank you & God Bless.

Deacons report for November 16, 2014

General Fund \$ 2,031.00
Benevolent 575.00
Major Projects 305.00

Total Offering \$ 2,911.00

Attendance 133
Sunday School 99

Needed per Sunday to meet our Budget in 2014 is \$3,229.00 in the General Fund and \$925.00 in the Benevolent Fund. Needed to date in General is \$148,534.00 and \$42,550.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 46 Sundays is \$134,042.06 in the General Fund and \$41,810.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

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Bless this house, O Lord we pray,
Make it safe by night and day . . .
Bless these walls so firm and stout,
Keeping want and trouble out . . .
Bless the roof and chimneys tall,
Let thy peace lie overall . . .
Bless this door that it may prove,
Ever open,
To joy and love . . .
Bless these windows shining bright,
Letting in God's Heavenly light,
Bless the hearth, ablazing there,
With smoke ascending like a prayer!
Bless the people here within,
Keep them pure and free from sin . . .
Bless us all that we may be,
Fit O Lord to dwell with thee . . .
Bless us all that one day we may dwell,
O Lord! With Thee!
Words and Music by Helen Taylor
and May H. Morgan (a.k.a. Brahe), 1927

Dear Quilters,
Thank you so much for the beautiful prayer quilt that I received. Ramie Colvin, from here in Warren brought it to me. The thought of all the prayers that came with the quilt, and that will continue will keep me comforted and knowing that God is always with each of us.
Always,
Charmaine Vavala

Dear REACH Ministry,
Thank you for sending me the wonderful care package! I was so excited to receive a package in the mail. The treats you sent me were so thoughtful (and yummy)! Thanks again for continuing to spread God's love to us college students! :)
Holly Eliason

Thank you for the care package. It was not expected but very appreciated.
Happy Holidays and God Bless!
Sincerely,
Seth Damcott

Dear everyone involved with REACH Ministry,
Thank you all so much for the package! It was thoughtful and sweet, it made me feel a lot of love from the community back home. I'm blessed to have this kind of love and support from you all-thanks again!
Sincerely,
Daniella Wade

REACH Ministry,
Sorry it took so long to get back to you. I have been busy with school work! Thank you so much for the care package, it was an unexpected treat and I really enjoyed it! Thank you!
Blessings!
Jacki Stow

Dear REACH Ministry
It's not every day you get a small care package full of goodies in the mail. I really want to thank you for sending out care packages like these. It means a lot knowing that someone back at home is thinking of you and it's little things like these that matter the most. It reminds you of how thankful you are to have such a great community supporting you back at home. I'd encourage you to keep sending these out to college kids. But again, thank you so much, it means a lot.
Justin White

Dearest Community Churches,
I wanted to take the time to send you all extreme thanks for the care package you sent me at college! I can't even explain how much it cheered up a very stressful week I was in. It continues to bless me as well. I love all the snacks and believe me when I say those are just what I need while energy is running low in class! J Along with this, as I tell all my friends about this gift of kindness from my community churches, I cannot think of a better way to spread God's Word. They are all amazed by the love we share with each other here in our small towns. We are truly blessed. And I feel that blessing every day as I look at my wonderful care package. Thank you so much for that! Thinking of you and all every day as I continue to spread God's Word!
Love you all & God Bless!
Paige Michael

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father [and the Son],
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.