

# Abbe Reformed Church

Second Sunday of Advent  
December 7, 2014 – 10:15 AM

## GATHERING IN WORSHIP

Lighting the Advent Wreath

*One: ... wait for the LORD;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage.*

**Many: Wait for the LORD!**

\*Gathering Hymn            *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*            #124

\*Prayer of Confession

**Lord God, our lives are filled with sin.**

**We forget our neighbor's needs**

**and do not love you above all else.**

**We need a Savior.**

**Help us to be ready for Jesus in our own hearts.**

**O come, O come, Savior of the world.**

**Amen.**

\*Words of Assurance

\*Song of Hope            *Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending*            #241

\*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Children's Time

## THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading            2 Peter 3:8-15a            see insert

Message            *Advent 2*            Pastor Kristen

Celebration of the Lord's Supper            see insert

## OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

\*Song of Response            *What If It Were Today?*            #245

Offering

Offertory

*Mary Did You Know?*

Choir

\*Doxology

Greeting and Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Sending Song            *My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout*            see insert

\*Benediction

Pastors Noah & Kristen 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, Aaron Miles, 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 all the current unrest around the 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 *Ken and Pat Wiggers* in Duncanville, Texas, 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 today, December 7<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting.

**The Sunday School Christmas program** is next Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, during the Sunday School hour.

Hi all,  
I just wanted to say thank you for the package you sent to me some time ago. It is so nice to know that someone is thinking of you when you are away from home and very busy. It has been a busy semester and it helps to know that someone is praying for me. Again, thank you all for the things you do.  
Yours truly, Sarah Aikens

### **Congregational Meeting**

Today 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.

The Nominating Committee recommends the following people for election to Consistory for 2015: Elders - Eleanor Aikens and Mark Summers; Deacons - Scott Neckers and Laurie TeWinkle

### **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](mailto:DCalvert@calvertagency.com)

### **Christmas Caroling**

Come join REACH for an afternoon of Christmas caroling on Saturday December 13<sup>th</sup> 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.

**REACHing out this Christmas season:** we will be partnering with ACAC this season, to provide CARE PACKAGES for families in need. We will be collecting items in the REACH tubs at Clymer Hill, Abbe, and Compass starting today November 30<sup>th</sup> thru Sunday December 14<sup>th</sup>. These packages will be distributed on December 19<sup>th</sup>. Every day items that we may take for granted such as: toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, mouth wash, band aides, kleenex, shampoo, conditioner, hair brushes/ combs, q-tips, cotton balls, deodorant, chapstick, batteries, tape, pens, note pads, etc. Our goal is to fill 30 totes to be distributed. We want to thank each of you who faithfully donate to God's work in our community, none of this could be done without each one of you, and your willing hearts! Any questions, contact Amanda Willink 355-4531 or any member of the REACH team.on

**Poinsettias:** If you wish to purchase a poinsettia for this Christmas season, there is a sheet to sign up on the table at the back of the Sanctuary. The cost will be \$8.

**Today:**

10:15 AM - Morning Worship  
11:30 AM - Congregational Meeting  
7:00 PM - An Hour of Singing

**This Week:**

Tuesday - 7:30 PM - Consistory Meeting  
Wednesday - 6:15 PM - AWANA  
8:00 PM - Choir Practice  
Thursday - 1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study

**SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS WEEK**

Acolytes Jonathan Massing and Trent Shampoe  
Ushers Mike Einink and Doug Whitmore  
Greeters Marlea Brown and Lois King  
Greeting Elder Harvey Oonk  
Nursery Kathy Heil and Cheryl Honey  
Cameraperson Larry McCray

**SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK**

Acolytes Karlie Honey and Mikala Einink  
Ushers Phil Beckerink and Mark Honey  
Greeters Nathan and Leanna Willink  
Greeting Elder Quentin Bensink  
Nursery Kelly White and Chelsea Howden  
Cameraperson Josh Summers

**Shut in of the Week:** Doris Michael at Corry Manor

**Missionaries of the Week:** Ken and Pat Wiggers in Duncanville, Texas

You are invited to Edwards Chapel on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 8pm for a Christian celebration. The Chappys Outdoor Clymer Hunt for Veterans will be meeting to send these Veterans home after 3 days of hunting. If you would like to help with food, contact Jeanne Humes or Deb Johnson. Contributions can be made to: Chappys Outdoor. The event will be centered from Randy and Jeanne Wassink's house.

**Deacons report for November 30, 2014**

General Fund \$ 2,215.00  
Benevolent 805.00  
Major Projects 210.00  
Poinsettias 10.00  
Thanksgiving Offering 6,725.00  
  
Total Offering \$ 9,965.00

Attendance 154  
Sunday School 98

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 \$154,992.00 and \$44,400.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 48 Sundays is \$139,697.06 in the General Fund and \$43,610.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

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