

Abbe Reformed Church

Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 21, 2014 – 10:15 AM

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

Lighting the Advent Wreath

*One: ... the sun shall no longer be your light by day,
nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you by night.*

**Many: For the LORD will be your everlasting light
and your God will be your glory.**

*Gathering Hymn *O Come, Let Us Adore Him* #82

*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 *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear* #128

*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Children's Time

Choir Anthem *Breath of Heaven*

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading Luke 1:26-38 see insert

Message *Advent 4* Pastor Kristen

OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

*Saying What We Believe The Apostles' Creed

Offering
Offertory
*Doxology

Greeting and Announcements
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Sending Song *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* #123

*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 and Kathy 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 *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.

Please join us after the service for the monthly *blood pressure* screening.

On behalf of the **Wounded Warriors Project** we would like to thank Randy and Jeanne Wassink and anyone else who furnished food or contributed in any way for the great weekend for these Vets.

Thank you to each and every one of you who shared your voice, provided cookies, drinks, snacks, and transportation for our Christmas caroling gathering. We had over 65 voices bless our community, sharing the love of Christ through joyful singing! May you continue to shine His Light this season.

Christmas Eve Service – Join us at 7:00pm for our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service this Wednesday evening.

At the recent Congregational Meeting Eleanor Aikens and Mark Summers were elected to the office of Elder and Scott Neckers and Laurie TeWinkle were elected to the office of Deacon for Abbe Reformed Church. These individuals will be installed during the Morning Worship Service on January 4, 2015.

Our thanks to outgoing Elders Duane Williams and Nelson TeCroney and Deacons Mike Einink and Garret Willink for the three years they have served Abbe Church in their respective positions.

Teens On Fire -

January 4, 2015, Sunday Night Youth Band Concert at Bemus Point UMC. Bus will leave at approximately 4:30 from Abbe parking lot for dinner and then Concert to follow. See Scott or Karen Bensink for more details. Need you to sign up asap!! so we can give numbers to Bemus Point Youth Directors. Thanks

Many of us are blessed to serve in the role of 'caregiver'. However, sometimes we become so wrapped up in caring for others, that we can forget to take care of ourselves. Take a moment and stop by the REACH bulletin board as **Caregiver Awareness** is the focus this month.

The next Prayers & Squares work day will be Saturday, January 10th, 9 am - 3 pm in the Abbe Church Fellowship Hall. Beat the mid-winter blues by joining us and lending your time and talents to bless those in need of prayer. Even if you don't know how to sew, there is a job for everyone! Sign up with either Gail Borst or Carrie Champoe so we know how many people to expect. Lunch will be provided; feel free to bring a snack if you are so inclined.

Words of Hope Daily Devotional for January through March 2015 is available at either entrance to the Sanctuary.

Today:

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

This Week:

Wednesday - 7:00 PM - Christmas Eve Service

SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS WEEK

Acolytes Brant Willink and Justin Massing
Ushers Tracy and Laurie TeWinkle
Greeters Dave and Val Lehman
Greeting Elder Scott Bensink
Nursery Bryan and Esther Nickerson
Cameraperson Daniel Gustafson

SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK

Acolytes Alex Dunnewold and Michael Shampoe
Ushers Steve Holthouse and Larry McCray
Greeters Larry and Charlotte Holmstrom
Greeting Elder Nelson TeCrony
Nursery Mike and Patti Einink
Cameraperson Larry McCray

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

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

Deacons report for December 14, 2014

General Fund \$ 2,533.00
Benevolent 875.00
Major Projects 5,055.00
Thanksgiving Offering 1,600.00
Poinsettias 34.00
Memorial Fund 75.00

Total Offering \$ 10,172.00

Attendance 154

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 \$161,450.00 and \$46,250.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 50 Sundays is \$145,169.06 in the General Fund and \$45,170.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

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