

Abbe Reformed Church

Epiphany of the Lord
January 4, 2015 – 10:15 AM

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

*Gathering Hymn *What Child is This?* #137

*Prayer of Confession

**God of light and darkness,
we have seen the glimmer of your star-light beckoning to us,
but we have turned away and followed other paths.
We confess that we have not loved you with all our heart,
with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Forgive us, Holy One.
Strengthen our faltering steps
and guide us in your holy way of peace. Amen.**

*Words of Assurance

*... lift up your eyes and see the grace of God poured out into your lives.
The light of God shines through the darkness.
Our hearts rejoice for Christ is in our midst!*

*Song of Hope *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go* see insert

*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Children's Time

Choir Anthem *Above All*

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading **Matthew 2:1-12** see insert

Message Pastor Noah

OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

Offering
Offertory
*Doxology

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons
Prayers of the People

Greeting and Announcements

Sending Song *We Three Kings* #166

*Benediction

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

**Congregation please stand as able*

2015 Consistory

Elders


Scott Bensink - Vice President (2015)
Eleanor Aikens (2017)
Quentin Bensink (2015)
Lucinda Legters (2016)
Harvey Oonk (2016)
Mark Summers (2017)

Deacons

(2015) Head Deacon - Eric Dunnewold
(2016) Benevolent Treasurer - Philip Beckerink
(2015) Brian Jantzi
(2017) Scott Neckers
(2016) Jason Stapels
(2017) Laurie TeWinkle

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, Aaron Miles, Carletta Russell, Paul and Josie TenHuisen 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 *Jeff and Chelsea Lampen, Romania*, as we ask that God will continue to bless their efforts as they reach out to others in Jesus' name.

To all of those involved in the making of my prayer quilt...
Thank you for your prayers lifted up during my recovery.
I will cherish that quilt forever and it will be a reminder of a loving community of believers. I am progressing nicely and again thank you.

In Christ's Love, Susan Coburn

Birthday:

Maxine Legters will be celebrating her 90th birthday on January 12th. If you would like to send her a greeting, her address is PO Box 197, Clymer.

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 today.

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

Teens On Fire -

Tonight: 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.

The REACH Team will be meeting Tuesday, January 6th at 7pm in the fellowship hall.

Annual REACH volunteer sign ups will begin next Sunday, January 11th through January 25th. Please join us in praying for our volunteers and how God would call us to serve in 2015.

What: Infant/Child/Adult CPR and AED Certification

When: Saturday, January 31st

Where: Abbe Reformed Church-Fellowship Hall

Time: 9:00am-12:00pm

Cost: \$30

Class size is limited, so please don't delay in signing up (at back of church).

Questions: please call Leanna Willink @ 499-4163

The next Prayers & Squares work day will be this 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.

One Hour of Singing!

We'll watch the weather and perhaps add a "winter" sing...so keep the ideas coming (box on back table).

Thanks to all who provided cookies after the December 7 service!

Today:

10:15 AM - Morning Worship
11:30 AM - Sunday School
Sunday Night Youth Band Concert at Bemus Point UMC

This Week:

Tuesday - 7:00 PM - REACH Team Meeting
Wednesday - 6:15 PM - AWANA
8:00 PM - Choir Practice
Thursday - 1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study
Saturday - 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Prayers & Squares Work Day

SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS WEEK

Acolytes Holly Neckers and Natalie White
Ushers Brent Deuink and Duane Williams
Greeters The Massings
Greeting Elder Duane Williams
Nursery Gene and Alicia Blakeslee
Cameraperson Josh Summers

SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK

Acolytes Jonathan Massing and Trent Shampoe
Ushers Eric Heil and Esther Nickerson
Greeters Jason and Amanda Stapels
Greeting Elder Lucinda Legters
Nursery Brian and Mary Jantzi
Cameraperson Daniel Gustafson

Shut in of the Week: Doris Michael at Corry Manor

Missionaries of the Week: Jeff and Chelsea Lampen, Romania

There will be a **Community Tureen Dinner** on January 6th at 6:00pm at the Clymer United Methodist Church. Please bring a dish to pass and table service. Coffee, ice tea and water will be provided. Open to all area residents.

The first and second graders collected \$76.53 for chickens. This money will be sent to people in a third world country through RCA. A chicken can lay 200 eggs each year.

Deacons report for December 28, 2014

General Fund \$ 3,455.00
Benevolent 530.00
Major Projects 185.00
Poinsettias 20.00

Total Offering \$ 4,190.00

Attendance 126
Sunday School 81

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 \$167,908.00 and \$48,100.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 52 Sundays is \$152,319.06 in the General Fund and \$46,450.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

The total **2014 Thanksgiving Offering** for Abbe Church is \$10,790.00.

Thank you to those who provided the Poinsettias as part of the Christmas decorations this season. Please feel free to take yours home with you today.

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