

Abbe Reformed Church

First Sunday of Advent
November 29, 2015 – 10:15 AM

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

Lighting the Advent Wreath

*One: Prepare the way of the Lord.
We light this candle in hope,
the hope of our coming Savior, Jesus,*

Many: Prepare, then, the way of the Lord.

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

*Prayer of Confession

**Lord God, my life is filled with sin.
I forget my neighbor's needs
and do not love you above all else.
I need a Savior.
Help me to be ready for Jesus in my own heart.
O come, O come, Savior of the world.
Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon

*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Children's Time

Hymn of Preparation *O Come, Let Us Adore Him* #82

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading Luke 21:25-36 see insert

Message *Living in Hope* Pastor Noah

OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

Offering
Offertory
*Doxology

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

Sending Song *God With Us*

*Benediction

Pastors Kristen & Noah Livingston
Jennifer Schruers, Music Director

**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, Braydon Dobson, Cindy Gabriel, Liam Gibbons, Thelma Heil, Brad Johnson, Sandy Koerselman, Skylar McDonald, Matthew Miller, Phyllis Morton, Mary Schruers, Zach See, JosieTenHuisen, The TeWinkle Family, Wilbur and Jo VanEarden, Doug Whitmore and Judy Willink.*

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 unrest around the country and the world, 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.

Thank You:

Dear Abbe Church Family,
Thank you for the calls, visits, cards and beautiful "man flowers". It's good to be part of the Abbe Church family. Doug Whitmore

Save the date!

December 6th – There will be no Sunday School
December 20th – Sunday School Christmas Program

The 7th- 8th grade class is looking for a leader for December 27- February 28th.

They are following the Dwell curriculum which is leading them through God's story. Please see Chelsea for more information or if you would like to look over the materials. Even if you can sign up for a Sunday or two, it will be most appreciated!!

Sign up sheet is on back table.

If you are able and willing to sit in the nursery with our little ones, please sign up on the sign up sheet on the table at the back of the Sanctuary. If you are currently on and want to remain on the list – do nothing. If you are currently on and wish to be taken off, write your name on the list and write remove beside your name. If you are not on and feel called to be on this list, please sign up. Any questions, contact Esther Nickerson at (716) 355-4131. Thank you and God Bless! Esther

Christmas Caroling Events:

Saturday, Dec 5th - Corry Manor & Groves Family Home

Come join us in singing Christmas carols with the residents at the Corry Manor on December 5th! We will meet at the Manor at 2pm. On our way back home, we'll be stopping at the Groves Family home (where Rake TeWinkle lives) to sing a few carols with the residents there as well. If you don't like the cold but you love to go caroling, this is the event for you! Please join us, you are sure to be blessed!

Saturday, Dec 12th - "Caroling Around Clymer"

Then, on December 12th, we will be Caroling around Clymer! 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. Randy Wassink will be bringing his team of horses and sleigh once again! 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!

Join us for one or both of these events! Any questions, please contact Lucinda Legters or Leanna Willink.

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the following nominations for Elder and Deacon for 2016: Amanda Willink and Esther Nickerson for Deacon, and Trudy Williams and Laurie Holthouse for Elder. Consistory gratefully affirms the giftedness of these candidates. The election will happen at Abbe's annual meeting on December 6. As in past years, there will be an opportunity for the congregation to nominate additional candidates from the floor at the annual meeting. This year, Consistory decided to allow written nominations before the annual Meeting. Congregational nominations may be submitted to the pastors. Any additional nominations would need a motion and a second during the annual meeting. If you have any questions about our process, please come talk with Pastors Noah or Kristen.

ACAC Churches are collecting paper products now through December 13 to hand out at the December food distribution (paper towels, toilet tissue, napkins, facial tissue). Please put them in the container in the Fellowship Hall.

Today:

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

This Week:

Wednesday - 6:15 PM - AWANA
7:30 PM - Prayer Time
8:00 PM - Choir Practice
Thursday - 1:30 PM - Ecumenical Women's Bible Study at Abbe
Saturday - 2:00 PM - Christmas Caroling at Corry Manor/Groves Family home
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Youth Night at Abbe

SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS WEEK

Acolytes Trent Shampoe and Porter Willink
Ushers Eric Heil and Esther Nickerson
Greeters Eric and Anndrea Dunnewold
Greeting Elder Eleanor Aikens
Nursery Tina Koerselman
Cameraperson Larry McCray
Sound Volunteer Willowe Neckers

SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK

Acolytes Natalie White and Callie Willink
Ushers Larry Gustafson and Doug Whitmore
Greeters Judy Bensink and Dianne Einink
Greeting Elder Mark Summers
Nursery Cheryl Honey and Libby Heil
Cameraperson Josh Summers
Sound Volunteer Jason Stapels

Shut in of the Week: Carol Neckers at Corry Manor

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

Teens On Fire Fall 2015 Schedule

December 5: Youth Night – 6 pm - 8:00 pm at Abbe

The Living Christmas Tree – There is information on the bulletin board for where you can purchase tickets for performances at the Frist Covenant Church in Jamestown.

Deacons report for November 15, 2015

General Fund \$ 2,735.00
Benevolent 940.00
Major Projects 35.00
Memorial 20.00

Total Offering \$ 3,730.00

Attendance 120
Sunday School 104

Needed per Sunday to meet our Budget in 2015 is \$3,183.00 in the General Fund and \$936.00 in the Benevolent Fund. Needed to date in General is \$149,601.00 and \$43,992.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 47 Sundays is \$135,325.61 in the General Fund and \$40,181.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

Benefit Chicken and Biscuit Dinner on December 6th for Chris Park, Firefighter, injured in the woods in October. Sponsored by Findley Lake Fire Dept. and the Findley Lake United Methodist Church. Dinner from 12:30 to 4:00pm Adults \$10.00, children 5-12 \$5.00, under 5 free.

The Clymer-French Creek Free Library is having Holiday story Hour for 3-7 year olds Saturday, December 12 at 10:30-12:00. Please register before December 5 by contacting the library at 355-8823.

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