

**December 16, 2018**

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**Order of Worship**

**Song Service - 5:50 PM**  
Psalter 432: all

**Morning Worship - 9:30 AM**  
Silent Prayer  
Votum and Salutation\*  
Psalter\* 59:4, 5, 6, 7  
Reading of the Law  
Reading of Scripture  
Psalter 426:1, 8, 9  
Pastoral Prayer  
Offertory  
Psalter\* 359  
Sermon  
Prayer  
Psalter\* 281  
Benediction\*  
Doxology – Psalter\* 264:6, 7

*\*Please stand if you are able*

Sermon:

**The Birth of Benjamin**  
*Series: Three Births in Bethlehem*

Scripture: Genesis 35  
Text: Genesis 35:18

**Evening Worship - 6:00 PM**  
Silent Prayer  
Votum and Salutation\*  
Psalter\* 354:1, 2, 4, 6  
Reading of Scripture  
Psalter 442:2, 3, 4  
Apostle's Creed  
Pastoral Prayer  
Offertory  
Psalter\* 182:1, 2, 3, 4, 5  
Sermon  
Prayer  
Psalter\* 238  
Benediction\*  
Doxology – Psalter\* 49:1, 2

Sermon:

**Zion's Latter-Day Glory**

Scripture: Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 87  
Text: Psalm 87

**Church Family**

**Homebound:**

Mrs. Ann Baas  
Mrs. Barb Kwekel  
Mr. & Mrs. Neal & Jo Markwat  
Mrs. Esther Richards

**Remember in Prayer:**

Mrs. Ann Baas  
Pastor Al & Dorothy Martin  
Mr. Ron Nederveld  
Mr. Pete VanKempen

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## Calendar

*"The Lord willing" James 4:15*

**December 19** – (Wednesday) 7 PM Weekly Prayer Meeting.

**December 25** – (Tuesday) 9:30 AM Christmas Day Service led by Pastor Macleod. Sunday School Christmas Program will be at 11 AM.

**December 26** – (Wednesday) *No Weekly Prayer Meeting* due to the Christmas holiday.

**December 31** – (Monday) 7 PM New Year's Eve Service led by Pastor Macleod.

**January 1** – (Tuesday) 9:30 AM New Year's Day Service led by Pastor Macleod.

**January 5** – (Saturday) 7:30 AM Men's Group Bible Study in the cafeteria at PRTS. Coffee and refreshments will be served at 7:15 AM.

## Other News

- *From the Dorcas Guild:* We would like to thank the congregation for your support in putting together shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!
- *From the Healthcare Committee:* As we are in the middle of cold and flu season, the Healthcare committee would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone take a few basic precautions in preventing the spread of viruses and protecting those in the congregation with weakened immune systems (not able to fight off germs as well as most of us). Please remember to use hand washing and sanitizer liberally. If your child is ill or has been ill in the last 24 hours, please refrain from using the nursery. If you or your child are ill, please consider worshipping via Sermon Audio. Additionally, please refrain from bringing/preparing food for church related events if you or anyone in your household has experienced flu symptoms in the prior 36 hours. Thank-you!
- **PRTS Student Housing Open House**  
Please join us on **Thursday, January 10 from 6:00-8:30 PM**, for the PRTS dedication of our new student housing. We will have a short dedication service from 7:00-7:15 PM. We still need approximately \$500,000 to complete this project. Donations received by December 24 will be matched. The seminary's faculty, staff, and student body thank you for supporting PRTS and the housing project. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Congregational Life

- Pastor Macleod will lead our worship services today.
- Dr. Murray has been speaking in Greenville, South Carolina for the past few days, and is preaching in Second Presbyterian Church in Greenville today.
- Next Sunday, Pastor Macleod will lead our worship services.
- The Sunday School (Beginners-7<sup>th</sup> Grade) will be practicing for the Christmas Program this morning during their normal Sunday School time. Please meet upstairs. The Christmas Program will take place after the morning service on Christmas Day.
- There will be a Christmas Day service on **Tuesday, December 25 at 9:30 AM**. Pastor Macleod will lead this service.
- We welcome into full membership, Jason & Eunice Zhao, having come to us from China. May the Lord bless His Word to them among us.
- Mr. Isaiah Huckstead, having moved to Texas and being married, has requested his membership papers. May he experience the Lord's blessings as he and his wife come under the Word in a new fellowship.
- Mr. & Mrs. Tom and Marlene VanderBand have requested their membership papers. We commend them and their five baptized children to the Lord as they worship Him within a church in Kalamazoo.
- The Consistory has considered the congregation's input regarding changing the time of our evening service, and has decided to keep the service at 6 PM. The Consistory thanks the congregation for their participation in the survey.
- We have scheduled our next fellowship meals for the following dates: **January 16, February 27 and May 15**. Please mark your calendars to join us for these evenings.
- *From the Education Committee:* Dear Parents – This year, the children in our Sunday School program (Beginner – 12<sup>th</sup> grade) will again receive a gift from the Consistory. The 1<sup>st</sup> graders will receive a Psalter, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will receive a Bible. **All other students** will receive a gift certificate for up to \$10.00 to use toward books at Reformation Heritage Books. Teachers will distribute these certificates to the students on Christmas Day. RHB carries a wide variety of edifying and interesting books for children and young people, and we encourage you to put these certificates to use!



<b>Nursery</b>		
Today	Room A	Room B
Morning	Cheryl Moerdyk	Ruthanne Karel
	Melanie Moerdyk	Maret Haab
Evening	Cherise Bergsma	Gabby Karel
	Laura Hults	Alyssa Klaasen
Next Week		
Morning	Courtney Prince	Aileen Rittner
	Jen Klaasen	Audrey Bilkes
Evening	Melanie VanderBoon	Hannah Kleyn
	Maddie Prince	Emma VanderBoon
<i>Christmas Day:</i> Renee Langerak, Lauren Bilkes, Josephine Haab		

<b>Ushers</b>		
	Morning	Evening
Today	Tim LaRocque	Joel Markwat
Next Week	Jim VanderGraaf	Steve Kleyn

<b>Offerings</b>			
	First Collection	Second Collection	Collection Boxes
Today	General	Building	Omega House
Next Week	General	Denominational	Come Over & Help
<i>Christmas Day:</i> Education			

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