COMMENTS & PRAYER REQUESTS

Please indicate the degree of confidentiality you desire:

- For the Pastor only
- For the Elders
- For the Prayer Team members
- May be shared with the congregation

CONNECT

- O I'm interested in joining a Life Group
- **O** I'm interested in membership
- O I'm interested in baptism / profession of faith
- O I need to update my contact info (use reverse side)
- O Sign me up for RRC email

NOTES FOR THE FRONT OFFICE

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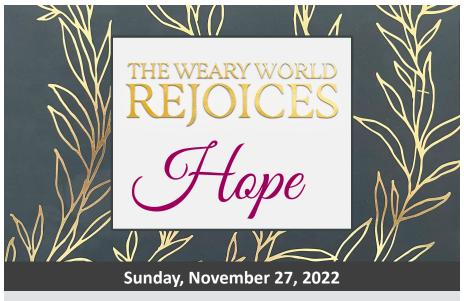


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First Sunday of Advent • Worship Service @ 10:00 a.m.

Prelude

Angels We Have Heard On High

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

O Come All Ye Faithful
Advent Reading
Lo How A Rose E'er Blooming
O Come O Come Emmanuel

Offering

We Have A Saviour

Prayer & Message

"Hope"

Series: The Weary World Rejoices Luke 24:13-35 (p.885) Rev. James Karsten

Response

Come Thou Long Expected

Closing Blessing

Note: There is no KidLife Worship or Sunday School today. Nursery is available for kids K and under.

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This Week

- Tuesday, 7:00am Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
- Tuesday, 9:30am Women's Tuesday Bible Study, Fireside Room
- Tuesday, 7:00pm Prayer Partners Online via zoom
- Wednesday, 6:00pm Family Dinner, gym
- Wednesday, 6:30pm Focal Point, Women's Bible Study, KidLife Club
- Thursday, 6:30pm RCA Meeting, Sanctuary
- Friday, 7am REAL Men, Fireside Room
- Saturday, 10am Game Time! Fireside Room
- Saturday, 1pm Single Ladies Lunch, Timbers Inn, RSVP with Carol Knox

Today we begin the Advent series "The Weary World Rejoices." Be sure to pick up your copy of the devotional book that goes along with it. Those with kids should also pick up a Family Advent To Go Box (one per family), which contains devotional cards and objects that go with the cards. You can find these in the lobby on the children's table.

The Christmas tree with North Kent Connect tags is in the lobby. Take some tags, purchase the items, and return them to the donation bin in the lobby by next Sunday, December 4. The most needed items are toys for children and teen gifts. Thank you for helping NKC provide gifts for the children and teens of their clients this Christmas!

KidLife Club Christmas Program, Wednesday, Decermber 14: This is open to everyone to come and enjoy. At 6pm, a Christmas dinner of ham, potatoes, green bean casserole, and rolls will be served in the gym. The program will begin at 6:45pm in the Sanctuary. Please plan to stay and enjoy desserts following the program in the gym.

The Christmas Eve Service will take place on December 24 at 4pm.

Game Time! Saturday, December 3, 10am in the Fireside Room. This month there will be a couple of holiday themed games, and a small gift for four winners. Games are: Santa Cookie Elf Candy Snowman, Holiday Fluxx, Wingspan, and King of Tokyo.

December 1, 6:30-7:30pm: Information and Q&A with RCA representative John Messer, Regional Executive for the RCA Great Lakes Regional Synod. Childcare provided, please let us know so we can plan ahead.

December 4, 11:30am-12:30pm: Information and Q&A with ARC representative Joel Baar, board member of the ARC. Lunch provided. Children will have Sunday School during the meeting. Please let us know if you plan to attend.

December 11: Annual Congregational Meeting following the worship service. Childcare provided, please let us know so we can plan on enough youth helpers. On the agenda are the approval of the 2023 budget and the affirmation of elders and deacons:

- Service deacon Chad Remelts 3-year term
- Service deacon Brandon Mueller 2-year term
- Service deacon Stan Gonsior 1-year term
- Shepherding elder Jason Vergouwe
- Administrative deacon (and deacon chair while Dianne Bennett serves as treasurer)
 Melissa Cool
- Administrative elder (and consistory clerk while Eric Ringnalda serves as vice president) Beth Triezenberg

SERMON NOTES

CONNECTION CARD



FOLD and **TEAR** at perforation. Place in the offering box or in a connection card drop box located at each sanctuary exit.



We're glad you could join us today! Please sign in and let us know who is here (even if they are somewhere else in the building).

O Just checking in! Name(s):

NEW? LET US KNOW A BIT ABOUT YOU!

Name:
Address:
Phone 1:
Phone 2:
Email 1:
Email 2:
Age group: O teens O 20s O 30s O 40s O 50s O 60+
Kids at home (name, birthdate, grade, m/f)
What brings you here today?

Sermons available online at RockfordRC.org/worship/sermons

