

WE ARE EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT TO PASSIONATELY ENCOURAGE OTHERS IN THEIR WALK WITH CHRIST.

## Order of Worship

Welcome & Announcements

\* Songs of Worship

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

What a Beautiful Name it Is/O Come Let Us Adore Him

Advent Candle Reading - Evan, Koby, Elliot, Marshall & Oliver Capper

Elliot and Koby singing Little Drummer Boy

Children's Sermon - Dort

Scripture - Luke 1:67-79

Message - *Joy in the Dayspring*

Prayer

\* Songs of Praise

O Come O Come Emmanuel

Joy to the World

\* Benediction

*(Asterisks (\*) indicate when to stand, if you are able.)*

## Prayer Concerns

Please pray for peace and strength for the families of **Lois Schipper** and **Marj Eilderts** as these ladies have passed away. Pray for **JoAnn Hippen** who is recovering from surgery after breaking her hip. Praise the Lord that **Dorothy DeBeer** was able to return home from her stay at the Hampton Care facility; continue to pray she can gain strength in the comfort of her home. Please be in prayer for all who are dealing with Covid-19. Please continue to pray for **Don Heuer** (father of Erin & Lucas/Kate) as he goes through treatment after receiving test results that his cancer has spread beyond his glands. Continue to pray for **Pastor Vance** that his brain can heal from the concussion. Continue to pray for **Larry Everts** who is undergoing chemotherapy treatments for cancer.

*(If you have a matter to be added to the prayer chain,  
please call Dort Kampman at 319-830-8958  
or Chuck Krusey 319-231-6838.)*

## Announcements

If you would like to help deliver Angel Tree presents to our Angel Tree families, please contact Dort at 319-830-8958 before **December 18th**. There is also a collection box for donations next to the offering plate in the Narthex. If you can help in any way, please leave your donation in the designated box. If you donate by check, please designate "Angel Tree" on the memo line. Please have all donations to the church **today**.

This year we are extending our Christmas Caroling invitation to more than our shut-ins, because many of us have felt shut in. If you would appreciate our carolers visiting you (outside of your home) this year, please call the church at 319-346-1575 **today** to be added to the caroling route.

JAM Christmas PaJAMa Party – **December 16th** at 6:30 pm. Wear your jammies for Christmas songs, movies, books, and possibly hot cocoa! We are looking forward to a laidback, cozy Christmas party with our JAM kids!!

Fa-la-la-la-la... Christmas Caroling will be Sunday, **December 20th** at 2:00pm This year more than any, Christmas caroling will be a special gift we can give to our loved ones. As we won't be entering homes, we may be outside of windows, in garages, or singing over the phone, but we will be doing it with love and compassion for our friends and family who need Christmas cheer to brighten the year we have had. There will be no meal after caroling, rather than full bellies, we will all leave with full hearts.

If you are wanting to contribute to Pastor Nate's Christmas gift given by the congregation, please have money to Kristi Cleary by Sunday, **December 20th**. Money gifts can be left in Kristi's church mailbox or mailed to her home, 1309 Wemple Street, Parkersburg. Thank you!

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at Hope Reformed Church, **December 24th** at 7:00 pm. There will be music, candles, and a message to prepare your heart for Christmas morning. All are welcome to attend!

# Thank You

Thank you to everyone who donated to the AP Food Pantry in the month of November. With your help we raised \$375.00, dozens of canned goods, many rolls of toilet paper, gallons of laundry soap, and much more! These donations were accepted with grateful hearts. Thank you all for giving back to our community.

# JOY to the World

## LOOKING AHEAD

DECEMBER 13 – 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 14 – CONSISTORY MEETING 6:30 PM

DECEMBER 16 – JAM CHRISTMAS PJ PARTY 6:30 PM

DECEMBER 20 – CHRISTMAS CAROLING 2:00 PM

DECEMBER 24 – CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP SERVICE 7:00 PM

## THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

### December 13

WELCOME TEAM: Erin Heuer  
SOUND/VIDEO: Travis Sherman  
WORSHIP LEADER: Celsey Aswegen & Stephanie Carlson  
MUSIC: Celsey Aswegen  
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Dort Kampman

### December 20

WELCOME TEAM: \_\_\_\_\_  
SOUND/VIDEO: Travis Sherman & Nick Carlson  
WORSHIP LEADER: \_\_\_\_\_  
MUSIC: Praise Team  
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Koby Capper

### December 24 – Christmas Eve

WELCOME TEAM: \_\_\_\_\_  
SOUND/VIDEO: Travis Sherman  
WORSHIP LEADER: \_\_\_\_\_  
MUSIC: Cathy Myers  
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: X

### Offering for December 6, 2020:

General: \$2,122 Building: \$0 Mission: \$360  
Angel Tree (to date): \$718

## CONTACT Us

Pastor Nate can be reached at 319-239-8894 or  
natehuisman@icloud.com. Lacy Sherman, the church  
Administrative Assistant, can be reached at 319-404-6038 or  
office@hopeinparkersburg.org. Please have bulletin  
announcements to Lacy by Thursday afternoon prior to service.

Hope Reformed Church  
319-346-1575

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### Hope Reformed Church Office Hours:

Pastor Nate Huisman  
Tuesday-Friday 9:00-3:00, or by appointment.

Lacy Sherman

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00-12:00

# HOPE

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## Welcome to Worship!

We are glad you are here!

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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2020**

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### TODAY'S TOPIC:

Today we hear the song of Zechariah who was surprised by the angel's message that he and his wife would have a baby in their old age. We hear him joyously sing over his baby boy and the hope of the coming Savior. Think of a moment in your life that you have been unexpectedly surprised. Anticipate that, even today, God has a wonderful surprise waiting just for you.