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Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am

Prelude

Welcome to Worship

*The Lord's Greeting

*Mutual Greetings

***O Come All Ye Faithful** – Gray Hymnal 340:1,3,4

***Angels We Have Heard on High** – Gray Hymnal 347

Children's Message

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

~Little Lambs is dismissed~

Offering: Building Men For Life

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Prayer

***The Glory of Christmas**

Scripture: **Ecclesiastes 2:1-11** – page 1036

Message: **“Everlasting Father”**

Prayer of Application

***He Shall Reign Forevermore**

*God's Blessing

***Hark! The Herald Angels Sing** – Gray Hymnal 345

*Postlude

* Invites those who are able to stand

Worship Participants:

Pastor Jason Pierce

Pastor Steve Vander Molen

Organist – Karen Lucas

Pianist – Jen Leep

WORSHIP SERVICE NOTES

Deacons' Offering Report: Loose money in today's offering is for Building Men For Life. Next week's offering is for Providence Place. Last week's envelope collections totaled \$13,160. Our weekly budget requirement is \$12,456.

Evening Worship Service – 6:00 pm

Prelude

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****What Child Is This?***

****Good Christian Friends, Rejoice***

****The First Noel***

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Confession and Assurance

Prayer

****Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*** – Gray Hymnal 246

Scripture: **Exodus 33:1-6, 12-23** - page 138

Message: **“Experiencing the Glory of the Lord”**

Prayer of Application

****Before the Throne of God Above***

*God's Blessing

****Joy to the World! The Lord Has Come*** – Gray Hymnal 334

*Postlude

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Worship Participants:

Pastor Darren Kornelis

Pastor Jason Pierce

Organist – Marge Boeve

Pianist – Jen Leep

Next Week, the Sunday School children will be participation in our morning worship service.

Little Lambs: “Shepherds & Wise Men”

—Rachel, Olivia & Max Plaggemars

****There will be NO Little Lambs next week****

Catechism: The 5th through 12th grade classes will meet in En Gedi.
****There will be NO Catechism next week****

Sunday School meets in the All Purpose Room.
****There will be NO Sunday School next week****

Nursery Attendants: THANK YOU!

Today:

AM Linda Timmer, Greg & Jen Leenstra, John & Margaret Timmer

PM Meredith Sybesma & Trisha Texer

Next Week:

AM Tami Sneller, Jessica Schutter, Anita Windemuller, Melinda Kryger

PM Kim Walters & Kimberly Van Houten

THIS WEEK AT NIEKERK

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:45 AM	Morning Fellowship
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Monday	6:30 PM	Cadets and GEMS
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Craft Day
	1:00 PM	Red Cross Blood Drive
Wednesday	6:15 PM	Christmas Caroling
Thursday	9:00 AM	Moms with Tots
Friday	9:00 AM	Hand2Hand Packing

YOUTH MINISTRIES

College Students! We are hoping to have breakfast or dinner with you over break! Please check your emails! Laura will be in touch with you via text about possible dates to see what is best for most people. If Laura has not contacted you, please feel free to send her a text or email.

Cadets: Monday's meeting starts at 6:30pm and ends at 9:00pm.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

John Janssen had successful hip replacement surgery early Tuesday morning, December 11, and returned home late Wednesday afternoon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Niekerk News Reminder. It's that time again to gather information for the January 2019 newsletter. Please submit reports, thank you notes, volunteer lists and all other news by next Sunday, December 23. The Niekerk News mailboxes are located in the bottom right hand corner of each mailbox section or send an email to secretary@niekerkcrc.org.

Christmas Cards: *It's the last day to bring your cards!* The cards may be put in the Christmas card box in the narthex. They will be delivered on Monday evening. Home members are: Barb Boeve, Bea Boeve, Judy Bosch, Margaret Bowman, Juliet Brower, Dort Deters, Alice Ellerbroek, Phyl Hoeksema, Shirley Lubbers, Dorene Terpstra and Jan Van Haitsma.

Christmas Caroling. The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loudly for all to hear! Join us! Wednesday, December 19. Meet at church at 6:15. We will divide into groups and head out to spread Christmas cheer to our home members and more! Everyone welcome!

Congregation Meeting. With thanks and praise to God for his faithfulness, the council wishes to again express its thanks to you, the congregation, for your support as evidenced most recently by your presence at Monday's meeting and your nearly unanimous adoption of the proposals. Thank you for your prayers. God is good!

Thank you! to Katie Mulder for developing the bulletin covers for Advent.

There will be a **Coffee and Hot Cocoa Bar** with cookies on Sunday, December 23, after the morning service.

There will be an **Ice Cream and Cookie Social** after the evening candlelight service on Sunday, December 23.

Foods Resource Bank. The total raised from our growing project is \$46,863.58. Thanks for the support. We will be meeting with the committee members from Drenthe, Oakland and Niekerk to determine where the money will go. Also FRB has changed its name to Growing Hope Globally—GHG.

Women's Winter Bible Study. Niekerk Ladies! Please join us for a cozy winter Bible study starting Tuesday, January 9, from 9:30am to 10:45am in Room 3 at En Gedi. In this 12 week study, we will be reading and discussing the book *Leading a Life of Balance* (book cost \$5). A signup sheet and a sample book will be available at the Information Center starting December 16. If you have questions, please contact Char Janssen or Jan Nykamp. A sign-up sheet and sample book are now available at the Information Center.

Hand2Hand. December's collection is 3oz ramen noodle packs and individual non-refrigerated pudding cups (vanilla or chocolate preferred). We will take big multipacks of ramen noodles that contain the 3oz size individual noodle packs if someone would like to purchase a larger amount. You can find these at Sam's Club, Meijer and Walmart.

Church Assistance Program. Is your child being picked on at school, afraid to go to school or acting moody after school? Wondering what action you should take? Reach out to your CAP at 616-455-6210 or 1-800-442-0809 for free and confidential parenting support.

Pop Cans! The Youth Group is still collecting pop cans! Please help them by bringing in your rinsed cans.

Elder and Deacon Districts:

A-Bowman	Daryl Van Dyke	Scott Sybesma
Brandsen-Grotenhuis	Jerry Zeerip	John Timmer
Haan-Janssen	Tim Leep	Joel Kryger
Jones-Leep	John Janssen	Mike Schierbeek
Louwerse-Plaggemars	Rog Sneller	Ryan Texer
Prince - Shoemaker	Steve Slenk	Scott Van Dyke
Slenk-Tjarks	Cal Schierbeek	Zeb Driscoll
Tucker-Zeerip	Carl Helder	Todd Sneller

Dates for Your Calendar:

December 23	Children's Program AM Candlelight Service PM
December 25	Christmas Day Service
December 28	Moms with Tots
January 6	Sunday Night Bible Study
January 7	Council Meeting Cadets and GEMS
January 11	Youth Group Event
January 13	Healthy Church Meeting
January 16	Wednesday Family Night
January 20	Communion AM
January 21	Executive Meeting Cadets and GEMS
January 23	Healthy Church Conversation
January 27	Cadet Sunday
January 30	Wednesday Family Night
February 13	Wednesday Family Night
February 23	Corn Hole Tournament
February 27	Wednesday Family Night

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