

Fresno Christian Reformed Church

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Reverend Justin Carruthers

Sunday December 17, 2017

Welcome to



Fresno Christian Reformed Church

We welcome you to worship! The Third Sunday of Advent provides us with the opportunity to experience the joy possessed by those who have encountered Christ, the one who comes to save us. Joy is the affirmation of the one thing that is truer than any trouble or affliction. The affirmation that love wins!

Those who have been ransomed by the Lord will return. They will enter Jerusalem singing, crowned with everlasting joy. Sorrow and mourning will disappear, and they will be filled with joy and gladness". (Is. 35:10)

If you are visiting for the first time, we would like to get to know you. Please fill out the friendship folder in the pew in front of you and join us for **refreshments** and **fellowship** after worship.

Today, we welcome Reverend Justin Carruthers, from First Christian Reformed Church of Hanford as we also joyfully witness the baptism of **Colson Warren K.** **Next Sunday,** we are blessed to have **DeWayne Williams** as Guest Speaker for our **Christmas Eve Service.**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Sunday, December 17, 2017, 9:30 AM

Call to Worship

“O Thou Joyful, O Thou Wonderful”

God’s Greeting and Our Mutual Greeting

Advent Candle—The L Family

“My Deliverer”

“Christmas Offering”

Baptism of Colson Warren K

“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise” LUYH 804

Our Morning Prayer

*Children 3-7 are dismissed for **Children’s Worship***

Presentations of Gifts and Offerings

*(This month, each Sunday, our special offerings are for the
Deacon’s Fund)*

Text: Isaiah 9:6

***Message:**

“Unto Us”

“Joy Has Dawned”

God’s Departing Blessing

“Blessed Be the God of Israel” LUYH 67

Postlude: Our Leaving to Serve

***Delivering God’s Word** — Reverend Justin Carruthers

PRAYER Requests

- **Pray for Barb D**, as she was admitted to Clovis Community for kidney issues.
- **Pray for our prison ministry and Bill VK** as he visits those who are incarcerated. **Pray for our Outreach ministries**, for **Matt G and Gerrit R** as they “connect” with people in our neighborhood.
- **Pray for our elderly**, those who are **homebound**, for our **infants** and those who are more susceptible to illness during this season.

NOTES

- **Today**, we are honored to witness and support **Travis and Stephanie K** along with big brother, **Bennett**, as they bring **Colson** to be baptized.



UPCOMING Events

- **Today is the last day** to have your gifts turned in for the **Angel Tree Program**. **Thank you for participating and being a blessing** to children.
- **Food & Clothing Give Away Next Friday! Volunteers!** Due to the holidays, we are missing several key volunteers. Please consider coming out to help if you can.
December 22nd 9:00 AM

Giving of our Talents in Service

	Sunday, December 17	Sunday, December 24
Greeters	Mike & Teresa C	Jim & Marlene C
Coffee	Bob & Trudy D	Carl & Janet DJ
Nursery	Megan M	Adrianna R
Information Center	Trudy D	Marlene C
Campus Security	Gerrit R	Eric tV

Activities this Week

Sunday	12/17	Morning Worship	9:30 AM
Friday	12/22	Food Give Away	9:00 AM
Sunday	12/24	Christmas Eve Morning Worship	9:30 AM