# Granum Christian Reformed Church

Rev. Pastor Henry Veldboom

Sunday, December 17, 2023

# December 17, 2023 ~ Third Sunday of Advent

#### **Entering God's Presence**

Call to Worship ~ John 3:16-17

\*Song ~ "One Small Child"

\*Greeting

\*Song ~ "God So Loved the World"

#### **Celebrating Christ Who Is Our Peace**

Advent Readings
Candle Lighting
\*Song ~ "Light Is Shining All Around"

# **Anticipating Christ's Second Advent**

Lord's Supper Song ~ What Feast of Love" L96 Prayer of Thanksgiving

## **Hearing God's Word**

Children's Blessing Scripture ~ Matthew 2:1-12 Sermon ~ "Wise Men Seek Christ" Prayer

## **Responding to God's Word**

\*Song ~ "Sing We Now of Christmas"
Congregational Prayer
Song during Offering ~ "Fullness of Grace"
Offerings ~ Leth. Pregnancy Center & Benevolence
\*Offertory Prayer

#### **Receiving God's Blessing**

\*God's Blessing \*Song ~ "Hymn of Joy-Joyful, Joyful"

\*Please stand if able

#### CHURCH FAMILY

Please remember our members who need ongoing prayer, including: Henrietta, Ralph, Aleda, and Rob, Crystal & Alex.

#### MUSICIAN

Today- Worship Team Tonight- Worship Team Next Sunday- Jennie

#### A/V TEAM:

Today- Stacey, Marianne & Bryn Tonight- Adam, Alex & Bryn Next Sunday-Adam & Mary

#### NURSERY

Today- Beverly, Kazandra & Janessa Next Sunday- Lynae, Sandra & Mary

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Today- No Sunday School Next Sunday- No Sunday School

#### **OFFERING:**

Today- LPCC & Benevolence Tonight- Local Foodbanks Next Sunday- Seafarers Ministry

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

December 17- Andrea December 18- Kornie



Congratulations to everyone celebrating Birthdays this week!

TODAY: Lord's Supper

**Nursery** is available prior to start of service.

#### **Sunday School**

- -No Sunday School today.
- Assembly directly after service in sanctuary age 4 to Grade 6

6:00 pm Sunday School Christmas Program

#### THIS WEEK:

Wednesday- 10:00 am Coffee Break

#### **UPCOMING DATES:**

December 25- 10:00am Christmas Day Service

## **OUR CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Tonight at 6:00pm is our Christmas program!** We are asking that each household bring a small pan of squares or a dozen cookies for the luncheon afterwards. Please drop them off in the kitchen before the program starts.

We are needing a few extra hands after this morning service to help us get organized for the Christmas program luncheon tonight. If you can help set up tables, butter buns, or even just want to visit please join us in the kitchen after grabbing a coffee.

**The Granum Growing Project** did amazing with the support of many in our community. The durum grown this year raised a total of \$106,594.21. These funds will be matched by the federal government 3-4x's. The Granum Growing Project would like to thank everyone who contributed to the project this year with labor, inputs and financial support. Thank you!

Recorded videos of services can be found on our Granum CRC YouTube channel.

Go to YouTube and in search box enter "GranumCRC AV" and click on that search result option.

Then click on the video you want to watch.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCs0yVIMAC\_bnTpqX8Ch0xfA
Previous bulletins with order of worship can e found on our website.
https://www.granumcrc.com/news-1

Website: <a href="www.granumcrc.com">www.granumcrc.com</a> Announcements: <a href="mailto:info@granumcrc.com">info@granumcrc.com</a> Submission deadline is Thursday 12:00 pm.

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# GRANUM CRC NEWSLETTER

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# **OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY**

# CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY & AROUND THE WORLD

**Kids Corner: The Shepherds' Joy** - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. At the beginning of Luke 2, the shepherds were kind of like the last ones to be picked. They got the long and boring night shift job that nobody wanted to do: watch the stinky sheep. But God picked them for a special task the night Jesus was born. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Bible story podcast "The Shepherds."

**Groundwork: Jesus: Our Everlasting Father** - Isaiah continued to reveal the nature of the Messiah when he called him the "Everlasting Father." Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Isaiah 9:6, Isaiah 63:15-16, John 14:6-14, 1 John 1:1-4, and 1 John 3:1-3 to better understand how this revolutionary title reveals the nature of Jesus and discover the comfort and belonging offered to us in Jesus, our Everlasting Father. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.