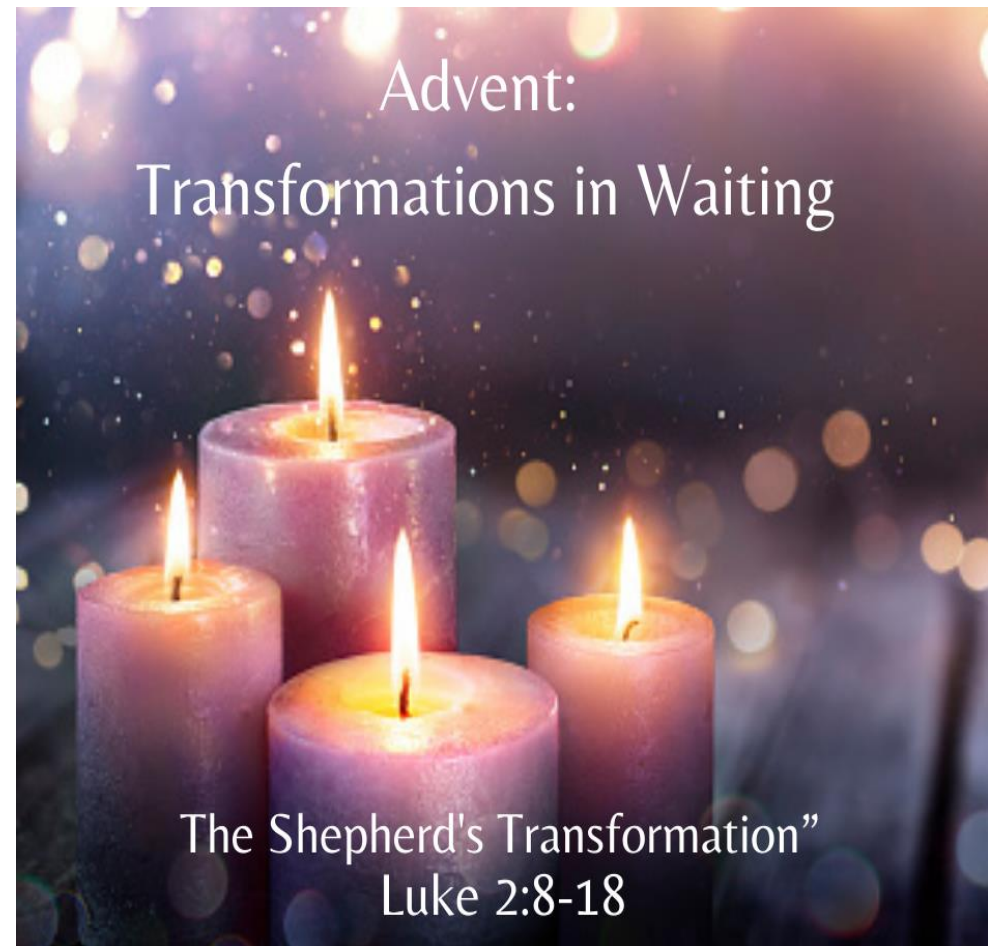


### **\*Prayer Requests:**

- Our Resonate Global missionary families the Sytsma's who are in Uganda and for our Haiti missionaries, the Gryglewicz's. Specifically, for the Gryglewicz's who have returned to the U.S. for a few months due to the terrible state that the country of Haiti is in. Prayers for the people of Haiti as they fight for their lives due to resources being cut off by the gangs overtaking the country. Praise that all of the missionaries that were kidnapped have now all been returned safely.
- For World Renew, the December capital campaign, and their ministry to those around the world.
- For Stephenville Christian School and all other schools in our area. For the health and safety of the faculty and students as they go to school each day.
- A hedge of protection for the SCRC council and congregation.
- For Hidde & Kali Osinga who are expecting a little boy in January of 2022, for Chantz & Janna Williamson who are expecting a baby girl in April of 2022, and for Justin & JoEllen Taylor expecting a baby in June of 2022.
- For Pieter VanderMeer and Bregtje Schievink as they prepare in the coming months for their wedding.
- Comfort for the DeBoer family who lost Durk's mother and uncle in the past few weeks.
- All those who are sick or having ailments with their bodies within our congregation.
- For Joy Osinga who has stage 3 kidney disease. Prayers that the medicine the doctor prescribed will work and keeps the disease from advancing. Also, for her upcoming knee replacement surgery on Tuesday. For the doctors as they work and for quick healing and minimal pain and discomfort.
- Pain relief for Heidi Velsen from her Rheumatoid Arthritis.
- For our country and the leaders in charge making decisions each day.
- For the persecuted church around the world.

# Stephenville Christian Reformed Church



**Pastor Greg Dyk**  
**Sunday December 19, 2021**

# Sunday Morning Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

## **\*God Calls Us Into Worship**

One: A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

**All: The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him,**

One: The Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,

**All: The Spirit of counsel and of power,**

One: the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord,

**All: and he will delight in the fear of the Lord.**

\*Opening Songs – “My Soul in Stillness Waits” LUYH 63 (1-3)

“O Come, All Ye Faithful” LUYH 76 (1-3)

\*God’s Greeting

\*Mutual Greeting

Advent Candle Reading

Lighting of the Candle of Joy

\*Song – “How Great Our Joy” LUYH 90 (1-4)

Guest Speaker – Keith Wright with World Renew

## **To Give Thanks**

Offering: General Fund

Children’s Message

\*Song of Praise – “Crown Him (Christmas)”

Congregational Prayer

## **To Listen to His Word**

Sermon Series: “Advent: Transformations in Waiting”

Scripture – Luke 2:8-18

Message – “*The Shepherd’s Transformation*”

Prayer

\*Song of Response – “Go Tell It on the Mountain” LUYH 93 (1-3)

## **To Go Out and Serve**

\*God’s Blessing

\*Sending Song – “Glory to God” LUYH 84

# Stephenville Christian Reformed Church News



Welcome to our fellowship, where we are gathered together as friends and family to worship and praise our God. If you are visiting with us, we are glad that you are here! This Advent, Pastor Greg is focusing on transformations that happened to people upon hearing of Jesus' coming. These same transformations occur in our hearts and lives when Jesus, the risen Savior greets us. Following morning worship, please stick around for a time of fellowship with coffee and cookies. The choir will be practicing following morning worship. Tonight at 6:00pm, join us for a soup/sandwiches potluck followed by our yearly congregational meeting.

## Weekly Schedule:

**Sunday 10:30am** Morning Worship  
**11:45am** Christmas Choir Practice  
**6:00pm** Soup/Sandwiches Potluck & Congregational Meeting  
**Friday 6:00pm** Christmas Eve Service

## Offering Schedule:

**December 19:** General Fund  
**December 26:** General Fund & World Renew  
**January 2:** General Fund  
**January 9:** General Fund & Stephenville Christian School

## Sunday Cookie Duty:

**December 19:** DeeDee Stoker  
**December 26:** Jessica Doyle  
**January 2:** JoEllen Taylor  
**January 9:** Shirley Osinga

## Nursery Duty:

**December 19:** Heidi Velsen  
**December 26:** Pietra DeBoer  
**January 2:** Maryke Hernandez  
**January 9:** Linda Beukeboom

## \*News/Reminders:

**Monthly Capital Campaign** – The December capital campaign is for World Renew. World Renew is a ministry of the Christian Reformed Church in North America. World Renew's vision is "a world where people experience and extend Christ's compassion and live together in hope as

God's community." Their mission is to be compelled by God's deep passion for justice & mercy as they join communities around the world to renew hope, reconcile lives, and restore creation. World Renew's worldwide ministry is three-fold: community development, disaster response & rehabilitation, and peace & justice. You can learn more about this organization at <https://worldrenew.net/>. Keith Wright is visiting us this morning and will be sharing more about this ministry. We will take the offering for World Renew next Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Choices Clinic Baby Bottles** – Start saving up your coins! We will be handing out the baby bottles from Choices Clinic in the middle of January!  
**2022 Committees** – If you'd like to become more involved here at SCRC, we would love you to join one of our 5 committees: Education, Social/Fellowship, Worship, Tech, or Building & Grounds. If you would like to know more about what each committee does, we have our 2021 committee document on the bulletin board which lists each committee's mandate and members. Please talk to the corresponding committee president if you are interested in joining that committee!

## \*Upcoming Dates to Remember:

**Elder/Deacon Nominations & Congregational Meeting** – Join us this evening at 6 pm for a soup/sandwich potluck followed by our yearly congregational meeting. We will be approving the 2022 budget and also electing 1 new elder and 1 new deacon. Pete Schultmeyer and Bert Velsen have accepted their nomination to serve as Elder and Joseph Osinga and Scott Lail have accepted their nomination to serve as Deacon. If you need an absentee ballot, please let Desiree Stoker know.

**Christmas Eve Service (Time Change)** – Join us on Christmas Eve at 6:00 pm for our candlelight service. There will be no service on Christmas Day.

**Christmas Choir & Communion** – We will be celebrating the sacrament of communion on Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup> during morning worship. We will also have a few special Christmas numbers performed by our church choir. There will no evening service.

**New Year's Eve Service (Time Change)** – Join us Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm for a special New Year's Eve service.

**Elder/Deacon Installation** – We will have a special installation service on Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> for the Elder and Deacon that we will elect at our congregational meeting. There will be no evening service on that day.