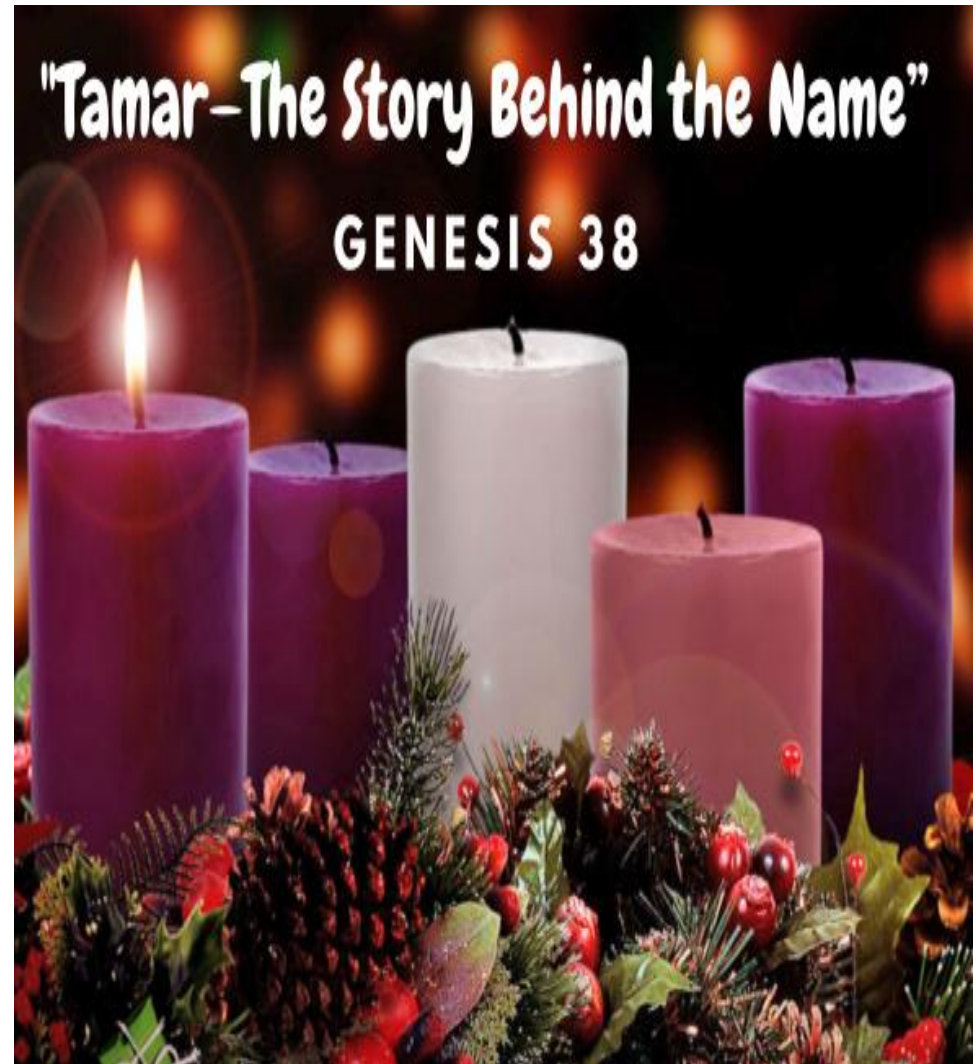


***Prayer Requests:**

- Our Resonate Global missionary family, the Sytsma's, who are in Uganda.
- For Stephenville Christian Academy and other schools in our area. For the health and safety of the faculty and students this school year.
- For Joy Osinga, and the restoration of her kidneys. Praise that her kidney numbers have increased in the past few weeks.
- Continued prayers for Brady Miller as he finished his 42-week treatment of proton therapy/radiation. He will have a scan on Dec. 2nd to determine if he's considered NED (no evidence of disease) or if they will begin a new treatment.
- Continued prayers for Macee as she battles health issues.
- For the expectant mothers in our SCRC family, Madison Earlanon, Maryke Hernadez and Bregtje Vandermeer. For health and strength throughout their pregnancies, for safe deliveries, and for God's peace and protection over all mothers and babies.
- For Kimberly, Owen & Janet's daughter-in-law, who will be having surgery on December 11th to remove a benign brain tumor that has been causing seizures.
- For Judy Hartwell who is continuing chemotherapy after they found growth in a tumor in her abdomen. The doctors have scheduled surgery to remove some of the smaller tumors in the coming months.

Stephenville Christian Reformed Church



Pastor Donald Draayer
November 30, 2025

Sunday Morning Service

Sermon Notes

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

**All: Those who lived in a land of deep darkness-
on them light has shined.**

Leader: Come, let us worship God.

All: Christ's light brings hope to a weary world.

Prayer

*God's Greeting/Mutual Greeting

Lighting of the Hope Advent Candle: Based on Isaiah 40:1-5

*Opening Songs: "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" LUYH 56 (1-2)

"Crown Him with Many Crowns (Christmas Version)"

Offering: General Fund & Benevolence

Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

Message: "Tamar—The Story Behind the Name"

Scripture: Genesis 38

*Song of Response: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" LUYH 61 (1,2,4,6)

*Benediction

*Doxology: "Joy to the World" LUYH 92 (1-4)

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 morning, we celebrate the first week of Advent and Pastor Draayer will be preaching from Genesis 38. Following worship, please join us for a time of fellowship with coffee & cookies. At 11:45 there will be practice for the Children's Christmas program and also for the adult Christmas choir.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday 10:30am Morning Worship

11:45am Practice for the Children's Christmas Program & Adult Christmas Choir

Wednesday 6:00pm Wednesday Family Night

Thursday 9:30am Ladies Coffee Break

Offering Schedule

November 30: General Fund & Benevolence

December 7: General Fund

December 14: General Fund & Stephenville Christian Academy

December 21: General Fund

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Wednesday Cooking

December 3: Pizza (Last WFN)

December 10: No WFN

December 17: No WFN

December 24: No WFN

Sound Booth

November 30: Kaleb & Shaun

December 7: Justice & Dillinger

December 14: Ryland & James

December 21: Kaleb & Shaun

Nursery Duty

November 30: Laura & Kylie

December 7: Linda & Noemy

December 14: Jennifer & Ariana

December 21: CoriAnn & Jaelyn

Sunday Cookie Duty

November 30: Maryke Hernandez

December 7: CoriAnn Kalsbeek

December 14: Lynn Lail

December 21: Kali Osinga

*News/Reminders:

5th Sunday Benevolence Offering – This morning, our second offering will be for our benevolence fund. These offerings are used for any benevolence needs our deacons come across including but not limited to our support to Grace Place Ministries in Stephenville. Grace Place is a ministry of First Baptist Church of

Stephenville and works with many other churches/non-profit groups in Erath County to help those in need in our community. This ministry provides food monthly, financial assistance (rent; utility bills, prescriptions, etc.) once every seven months, clothing every three months, fans or heaters when available, and school supplies. We currently give \$50 to each Grace Place client that requests assistance, with a maximum of 15 clients per month. So far in 2025, we have assisted 141 Grace Place clients and have also given rental assistance to 2 Texas church plants, Carismah Church and International Peacemaking Church of Christ, and daycare assistance for a SISD teacher totaling \$8,427. This will be our fourth benevolence offering for 2025 and have received \$2,924 in benevolence offerings.

Elder and Deacon Nominations Accepted – At the congregational meeting on December 7th, we will be selecting one new deacon and one new elder to join the council. The men who have accepted their nomination for Deacon are Klaas Schievink and Jonathan Osinga. The men who have accepted their nomination for Elder are Frank Kalsbeek, James Tucker, and Joseph Osinga. Please be in prayer for these leaders and the upcoming congregational meeting. If you will not be able to attend the meeting next week, there are absentee ballots by the member boxes. Please give your signed ballot to a member of council before December 7th.

Children's Christmas Program/Christmas Choir – Practice for the children's Christmas program (1st-8th grade) will be this morning and will be held every Sunday after church until the program on December 21st @ 6:00 pm. Adults who are in the Christmas choir, please meet following service at the front of the church.

*Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Congregational Meeting – Join us next Sunday, December 7th at 5 pm for our yearly congregational meeting to approve the 2026 budget and also elect a new Elder and Deacon. Following the meeting, everyone is invited to join us for a soup/sandwich potluck followed by our annual SERVE bake-off fundraiser to support the 16 youth and 3 leaders who will attend SERVE 2026 in Niagara, Ontario.

End of Year Education Dates – Sunday school classes have concluded for the year and will resume on January 11th. December 3rd will be our last Wednesday Family Night with new classes starting in the new year on January 14th. And finally, Ladies Coffee Break will end the year on December 11th and will resume on January 8th.

Stephenville Christian Academy Christmas Program – You are invited to support the students of SCA for their annual Christmas Program which will take place on Thursday, December 16th at 6:00pm.