

Stephenville Christian Reformed Church

the body of Christ living in threatened or unstable areas to face persecution and suffering; Educating and mobilizing the body of Christ living in the free world to identify with threatened and persecuted Christians and be actively involved in assisting them. We will take the offering in support of this ministry on Sunday, December 28th.

Elder and Deacon Election – At the congregational meeting this past Sunday evening, Joseph Osinga was elected as our new elder and Klaas Schievink as the new deacon. We will have a special installation service for our new council members on Sunday, January 4th.

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 for practice.

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!

*Upcoming Dates to Remember:

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

Christmas Day Worship Service – Join us on Thursday, December 25th at 11:00am as we celebrate the birth of our Lord.

2026 Education Classes – We would love for you to join us in the new year in one of our many Bible study classes to fellowship while furthering our knowledge of the Bible. Sunday school classes will begin Sunday, January 11th and we have classes for Pre-K to adult. Wednesday family night classes will begin on January 14th with the adults continuing their study of the book of Matthew. Ladies Coffee Break is every Thursday starting back up on Thursday, January 15th and they will be doing a Life Guide study on Listening to God.

*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.
- Praise that Brady Miller's scans came back as NED (no evident of disease). Continued prayers as they move into the next chapter of monitoring and for the original desmoid tumor to continue to shrink in his cheek.
- 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 had surgery this past week 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.



Pastor Donald Draayer December 14, 2025

Sunday Morning Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

Pastor: Sing praises to God on high, for glorious are God's works.

All: Sing praises to the ends of the earth.

Pastor: Shout and sing for joy, O people of God,

All: For great is the Holy One in our midst, blessed is the One who comes to dwell among us.

Prayer

*God's Greeting/Mutual Greeting

Lighting of the Joy Candle: Based off of Isaiah 9:2-3, Luke 2:10-11

- Tucker Family

*Opening Songs: "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" LUYH 81 (1,2,4,5)

"Away in a Manger" LUYH 86 (1-3)

Offering: General Fund & Stephenville Christian Academy

Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

Message: "Ruth the Moabitess"

Scripture: Ruth 1; 4:23-27

*Song of Response: "How Great Our Joy" LUYH 90 (1-4)

*Benediction

*Doxology: "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 morning, we celebrate the third week of Advent and Pastor Draayer will be preaching from Ruth 1 & 4. 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

Saturday 10:00am Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Program

Offering Schedule

December 14: General Fund & SCA

December 21: General Fund

December 25: Benevolence

December 28: General Fund & Open Doors Ministry

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Wednesday Cooking

December 17: No WFN

December 24: No WFN

December 31: No WFN

January 7: No WFN

Sound Booth

December 14: Honor & James

December 21: Justice & Shaun

December 25: Desiree & Ryland

December 28: Kaleb & Dillinger

Nursery Duty

December 14: Jennifer & Ariana

December 21: CoriAnn & Jaclyn

December 28: JoEllen & Henry

January 4: Jessica H. & Macee

Sunday Cookie Duty

December 14: Lynn Lail

December 21: Shirley Osinga

December 28: Jessica Hoekstra

January 4: Linda Beukeboom

*News/Reminders:

Monthly Capital Campaign – The December capital campaign is for Open Door Ministries. Open Doors originated in 1955, when a young Dutchman started smuggling Bibles to the persecuted Christians in Communist Europe. He became known as Brother Andrew, and his work led to more than six decades of support for the persecuted church. Open Doors purpose is to strengthen and equip Christians around the world who are facing persecution and discrimination because of their faith in Jesus Christ and to encourage their involvement in world evangelism by: providing Bibles and literature, media, leadership training, socio-economic development, and through intercessory prayer; Preparing