

training, socio-economic development, and through intercessory prayer; Preparing 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.

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.

***Upcoming Dates to Remember:**

Congregational Meeting/Dinner/SERVE Bake-Off – Join us this evening at 5 pm for our yearly congregational meeting to approve the 2026 budget and also elect a new Elder and Deacon. 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. If you will not be able to attend this evening, there are absentee ballots by the member boxes. 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 4 leaders who will attend SERVE 2026 in Niagara, Ontario.

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.

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

***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 treatments and has follow-up scans this week. For clear results, healing, and wisdom for the next steps.
- 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
December 7, 2025

Sunday Morning Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

Leader: Shout for joy, you heavens;
rejoice you earth; burst into song, you mountains!

**All: For the Lord comforts his people
and will have compassion on his afflicted ones.**

Prayer

*God's Greeting/Mutual Greeting

Lighting of the Peace Candle: Based off of Isaiah 9:6-7, John 14:27

-Overstreet Family

*Opening Songs: "O Come All Ye Faithful" LUYH 76 (1-3)

"Angels We Have Heard on High" LUYH 82 (1-3)

Offering: General Fund

Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

Message: "Rahab—The Prostitute"

Scripture: Joshua 2:1-21, 6:20-27

*Song of Response: "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

*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 second week of Advent and Pastor Draayer will be preaching from Joshua 2 & 6. 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

Thursday 9:30am Ladies Coffee Break

Offering Schedule

December 7: General Fund

December 14: General Fund & SCA

December 21: General Fund

December 28: General Fund & Open Doors Ministry

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Wednesday Cooking

December 10: No WFN

December 17: No WFN

December 24: No WFN

December 31: No WFN

Sound Booth

December 7: Justice & Dillinger

December 14: Ryland & James

December 21: Kaleb & Shaun

December 28: Justice & Ryland

Nursery Duty

December 7: Linda & Noemy

December 14: Jennifer & Ariana

December 21: CoriAnn & Jaclyn

December 28: JoEllen & Henry

Sunday Cookie Duty

December 7: CoriAnn Kalsbeek

December 14: Lynn Lail

December 21: Shirley Osinga

December 28: Jessica Hoekstra

*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