

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**9:30AM**  
**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**November 27 A.D. 2011**

**Pastor Dave Landegent**

**Organ:** Jan Clapp

**Keyboard:** Karen Knutson

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

**OUR APPROACH TO GOD**

SONGS OF PRAISE led by the Praise Team: Dean & Polly Vander Wal,  
Gene & Ryan Bjorklund, Michelle Vander Wal

*Wonderful Merciful Savior, Come let Us Worship and Bow Down*

\* *Every Move I Make*

\* OPENING PRAYER

\* GREETINGS

ADVENT CANDLE OF PROPHECY –

Dallis and Collin Vander Wal

\*ADVENT CAROL: 186 - *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS FROM LUKE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *Jesu Bambino*

Gina Vander Wal accompanied by Michelle Vander Wal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

\* CAROL: – 187 *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

DVD - *The True Meaning of Christmas*

SCRIPTURE: Luke 2:8-20

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MESSAGE: *Fear not!*

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

OFFERTORY (General Fund and Mission Fund)

**Please sign the friendship folders as the offering is received.**

\* DOXOLOGY

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* CAROL: 214 – *Good Christian Men Rejoice*

\* BENEDICTION

\* *Go Now in Peace*” (words on screen)

POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand if able*

In addition to your General Fund gifts this morning, you are encouraged to give to the Mission Fund using the envelopes provided in the pew rack. Next week the Building Fund will be the emphasis for additional giving.

**TODAY**

**THANK YOU FOR JOINING IN WORSHIP TODAY for the First Sunday of Advent.** May you experience the peace and joy of being in God's house. **If you are visiting with us today, please sign the friendship folders** as they are passed during the offering and/or **fill out a visitor card that can be found in the pew rack** and place it in the offering bag.

**A NURSERY** is available at the far end of the fellowship hall.

**AFTER THE MORNING SERVICE**, everyone is invited to a time of coffee, juice and fellowship.

**ON DUTY FOR THE LORD TODAY:**

Greeters: John, Linda and Nathan Vande Weerd

Ushers: Dean Vander Wal, Al Kooima,

Shirley Van Duyn - Alternate

Nursery: (for newborns -4 years old) –

Betty Beukelman & Laura Hove

Coffee Fellowship: Sako & Wieke Vandemeer

Library: Susan

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** – We have a class for all ages. The pre-primary-5<sup>th</sup> grade will meet from 10:45-11am in the front of the sanctuary for a time of singing. Gene Bjorklund will be meeting with the 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades in their Sunday School room for a time of activities. All the class rooms should be marked as to their grade level. There are three adult classes: one in the consistory room for young couples including singles. Another class meets in the conference room off the kitchen (discusses various topics) and a group meets in **N1** and studies the Sunday School Guide.

**VALET SERVICE** is available any time during the year. If you need assistance, please drive up under the car port and someone will park your car for you and will bring it back after the service.

The Revitalization Committee of Dakota Classis is challenging every church to be committed to pray for a specific church each Sunday and during the week. This week we are asked to pray for the **Bethel Reformed Church in Davis**. At the present time, they are without a pastor. Their average Sunday morning attendance is 35.

## THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH

**MONDAY:** 7pm – The holidays are usually a joyous time, full of memories. But they are especially difficult for those who have had a death in the family. That's why your local funeral homes are planning a Service of Remembrance at the First Lutheran Church in Brookings. The service is for all who mourn the loss of a family member or friends, regardless of when the death occurred.

**WEDNESDAY:** **NO** Cadets this week.  
8pm – Those who would like to sing in a choir on December 18 (or in a men's choir on December 24) are invited to a rehearsal.

**THURSDAY:** 7:15pm – Elder's Meeting  
7:30pm – Consistory meeting

**FRIDAY:** 7:30pm – Volga Christian School's Christmas program is in our sanctuary.

**SATURDAY:** **9am** – Bake Sale at Beta Psi Gallery of Gifts - All members of the congregation are encouraged to donate to the sale as projects like this help purchase items for the church and support mission projects. Circle 1 is in charge of arrangements.

**Noon-4pm** – You are invited to go on a Christmas Parade of Homes. This was organized to help Erika Cotton go to Africa this coming summer. Erika was chosen at Rocky Mountain High to join with 15 others in going to Uganda. They will be working with Food for the Hungry, June 30-July 12 to provide mission outreach in that area. To support Erika and Food for the Hungry, you can purchase a \$10 ticket by contacting Erika or Penny Cotton at 695-9133.

**7:30pm** – Small Group Bible Study 'B' at the home of Lawrence and Sally Vander Wal "*The Purpose of Christmas*"

**NEXT SUNDAY** is the Second Sunday of Advent. Pastor Dave will preach about the angels declaring good news of great joy. The Dordt College Brass Quintet will also be playing and we will celebrate the Lord's Supper.

**3pm** – Small Group Bible Study 'A' at the home of Kevin & Kari Vander Wal Romans 8

In the evening, you are invited to return at **7pm for a Christmas Sing** (like a hymn sing, but with Christmas songs.) We will sing many old favorites, as well as some other "winter songs" retooled with new words. You won't want to miss it.

### FUTURE DATES:

December 6..... Education Task Force (7:30pm)  
December 7..... Congregational Meeting (7:30pm)  
Cadets at CRC at 6:30pm  
December 11..... Caroling in the evening (5:30pm)  
December 14..... RCW Christmas Program/party (7pm)  
Men's Choir practice (8pm)  
Christmas Choir practice (8:30pm)  
December 15..... Dakota Sun Assisted Living Program (2pm)  
December 16..... Family Fun Night Live Nativity and Caroling at the Volga Christian School (6-8pm)  
December 18..... Sunday School Christmas Program (7pm)

## PERSONALS

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Arnold Van Maanen is at the Golden Living Center in Arlington. Kevin Ohm and Jodi Koerner continue chemo-therapy. Clara Vande Weerd's granddaughter, Laurie Johanson returned home from the hospital on Friday with a diagnosis – it's treatable and is eating soft foods again!

**CONGRATULATIONS:** Tom and Carol Kleinjan wish to announce the birth of a granddaughter, Evelyn Viola to Pete & Katherine Kleinjan of Sioux Falls on November 19.

Charles and Ruth Sapp wish to announce the birth of a granddaughter Kinsley to John & Rochelle Sapp of Orange City on November 13.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** The Annual Congregational Meeting of FRC will be held on Wednesday, December 7 at 7:30pm. We will approve the 2012 budget, hear reports about the year and select new consistory members by sacred lot. Copies of the budget will be in your mail boxes on December 4. If you would like the consistory to consider adding an item to the agenda, please contact a consistory member 1s or Pastor Dave by December 1.

Elder nominees willing to serve are: Allan Kooima and Kent Vander Wal.

Deacon nominees willing to serve are: Bruce Lucas, Kent Vander Wal,  
Kevin Vander Wal and Jason Volkers.

2012 SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR FUNDRAISER:

Again this year, the youth group will be selling calendars at \$6. This is one of their fundraisers for youth to attend Rocky Mountain High. A table is set up in the fellowship hall.

CAROLING: At 5:30pm on Sunday, December 11, you are invited to gather at church so that we can go in teams and go carling to some of our older members. Afterwards, we will come back for hot chocolate and a game of Christmas Bingo. Plan now to join in sharing Christmas joy.

EXTRA BUTTER BRAIDS are available from the Cadets for \$10. There are 6 caramel rolls and 1 cinnamon. Contact Steve Van Heerde 605-873-2902 at if you are interested.

THE THANKSGIVING EVE OFFERING for the Chairs of Hope amounted to \$495. Thank you!

ON DUTY FOR THE LORD NEXT SUNDAY:

Greeters – The Brad Vander Wal Family  
Nursery – Tiffany Bjorklund and Mariah Vander Wal  
Coffee Servers – Justin & Melissa Olson  
Library – VernaMae

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