

#### December 22, 2019 10:00 a.m. Fourth Sunday of Advent

#### Welcome to worship at Fellowship!

#### God Gathers Us

Prelude: Call to Worship *Joy to the World\** Lighting of Advent Candle / *Magnificat\** Greet One Another Welcome and Announcements Offering: (Please sign and pass the *Fellowship Folder* during the offering)

#### God Speaks to Us

The Word: *Children's Pageant Away In A Manger\** Scripture: Luke 1:5-13, [14-25], 57-80; p.831-832 *Zechariah\* We Wish You A Merry Christmas\** 

God Sends Us

#### God's Blessing Postlude *\*indicates congregational song*

#### Participating in Today's Service:

Liturgists -Ross Dieleman, Nate Schipper, Lindsay Small, Jessica Mix, Hannah Nickolay Worship team - Kel Brown, Barb Eriks, Eduardo Garcia, Jim McFarland, Marcia Meoli-Smith, Jackson Nickolay, Paul Solis, & Rob Zylman

Thank you! To all those who worked so hard on our Children's Pageant.



This year we have written an Advent Devotional for each week of Advent. We invite you to pick one up at the Welcome Center (large print available) & participate in this community devotional. Included is a description of the symbolism of our Advent candelabrum.

#### Adult

#### Ross Dieleman, rdieleman@fellowshipreformed.org

**Spiritual Fitness:** We will still be meeting on Sunday, December 29, following the 9:15am service at 9:45am.

**Community Conversations: "We Make the Road by Walking".** With each new year comes the opportunity for a new beginning. Some set out to spend less or to exercise more or to give up some bad habit. Others seek to reprioritize their relationship with God. In this series, we're interested in the ideas that govern our lives. In the first session, Pastor Ross will lead us in a creative exploration of putting *First Things First: A Fresh Look at What the Most Important Book Says is Most Important.* In session two, Jess Mix, our Minister of Worship, will lead us in a creative and musical conversation about *The Faith We Sing: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly of Hymnology.* In session three, Pastor Lindsay will help us take an honest look at *The Clichés We Bring: Are They Even Christian?* Wednesday nights, January 8, 15 & 22 @ 6:30pm in N1.

### **Congregational Life**

#### Lindsay Small, Ismall@fellowshipreformed.org Cathy Hamilton, chamilton@fellowshipreformed.org

**Consistory Nominations:** Please submit names of any members of the congregation that you would recommend for consistory. Learn more by going to **www.fellowshipreformed.org/consistory**. You can submit names using the online form or by completing a form at the Welcome Center.

**Holiday Office Hours:** For the next two weeks, church office hours will be M 9-3, T 9-12, W closed, Th 9-3, F 9-12.

### Worship

#### Jess Mix, jmix@fellowshipreformed.org

**Christmas Eve services:** Please join us for a service of lessons and carols at 5pm & 7pm, or at 11pm for a more contemplative service.

**Sing with the Choir!** Please let Jess know if you are interested in singing the Hallelujah Chorus and one anthem at 5pm & 7pm Christmas Eve services. Final rehearsal is on December 24 at 4pm in the Sanctuary.

### **Children & Families**

#### Betsy Bruins, bbruins@fellowshipreformed.org Emily Rosendahl, erosendahl@fellowshipreformed.org

No Children and Worship or Sunday School today: Because of the pageant we only offer nursery this morning.

Christmas Sunday Service

December 29 @ 9:15am

Join us for carols, testimonies, and worship.

**Sunday School will resume on January 12th:** We have a Better Together Sunday today, and on Dec. 29 (one service at 9:15am) and January 5th. Nursery and Children and Worship will be provided the next two weeks.

VBS Dates for 2020: Save the dates! VBS will be from June 8-12, 2020. Please put this on your calendars for next summer!

## Youth

#### Bryce Vander Stelt, bvanderstelt@fellowshipreformed.org Hannah Cochrane, hcochrane@fellowshipreformed.org

**Elevate (Middle School Ministry):** We will not be meeting over Christmas break, see you January 8!

**HSM (High School Ministry):** We will not be meeting over Christmas break, see you January 12!

**HSM Winter Retreat:** will be held on be on January 24-26 at Gull Lake Ministries. Sign up online now.

**Rocky Mountain High:** will be at Estes Park, CO from July 23-29. Email Bryce if you plan on registering online. Deadline is December 31. More info at synodyouth.org/ rocky-mountain-high/



# This Week at fellowship

#### December 22-28, 2019

8:30,10am Worship Service; Nursery (Infant - 3½ years)9:45am Spiritual Fitness Adult Sunday School Class- N4

Tuesday, 24

8:00am Men's Prayer Breakfast - Russ' North
9:30am Heart to Heart Quilters - N4
5,7, & 11pm Christmas Eve Worship Service - Sanctuary

Wednesday, 25 - Merry Christmas! Office Closed

Friday, 27 9:00am Wonderful Widows Breakfast - James Street Inn

Sunday, 29 Preaching: Sharing Sunday......Mark 1:1-20

## Of Special Concern

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Care concerns have been omitted from this online version for privacy reasons







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10:00 a.m. Service



**Christmas Offering**: Our Christmas offering will go to our mission partner Words of Hope. As we celebrate God's incarnation, introducing the world to Jesus, we will help introduce Jesus to those who have not yet heard of him through the ministry of Words of Hope.

Hand2Hand Needs: Your donations are needed and appreciated. No glass packaging. Thank you!

<ul> <li>Fruit</li> </ul>	nt Oatmeal Cups ned Veggies	•Saltine Crackers •Fruit & Cereal Bars •Granola Bars •Chicken Helper •Canned Chicken	Peanut Butter     Jelly     Individually Packaged     Rice Krispie Treats     Fruit Snacks	•Canned Pasta Meals •Fruit Snacks •Pudding Cups
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