

Hospers Christian Reformed Church
Christmas Worship - December 25, 2020
9:30 A.M.

We Are Gathered By God

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship: Psalm 98:1-3

Pastor - Sing to the LORD an new song, for He has done marvelous things.

People - The LORD has made His salvation known and revealed His righteousness to the nations.

Pastor - He has remembered His love and His faithfulness to the house of Israel.

People - All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Pastor - Grace, mercy and peace be to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

People - AMEN

*Opening Song: #92 (R) "Joy to the World"

We Renew Our Fellowship With God

Christmas Day Advent Reading and Candle Lighting -

Janie & Gracie Schoonhoven and Katelyn Zevenbergen

Ministry of Music: Liz Kooistra and Larry Smit

*Hymn of Preparation: #98 (R) "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

We Listen To God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-15 (p. 1497)

Message: "The Proclamation of Christ's Birth"

Prayer of Application

We Respond With Commitment

*Song of Response: #80 (R) "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

Congregational and Offertory Prayer

Offering: Sioux City Gospel Mission

*Hallelujah Chorus"

We Go Out To Serve

*Benediction

*Doxology: #538 (R) (vs. 4) "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

*Postlude

* All who are able may stand

Pastor - Pastor Aaron Gonzalez

Organist - Sheila Zevenbergen

Pianist - Teresa Van Sloten

Ushers - Mark R. John K. Ed K.

Nursery - Deb Vander Wilt, Rina Klynsma

Sound System - Alan Woudstra

Projection - Randy Van Kalsbeek

Video - Kurt Zevenbergen

Christmas Day Advent Reading
Proclaim

Advent is a time to proclaim

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

We proclaim a hope that is stronger than any trial.

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

We proclaim a victory that is stronger than any defeat.

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

We proclaim a peace that is stronger than any conflict.

Joy to the world, the Lord is come

We proclaim a freedom that is stronger than any bondage.

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!!

Candle Lightning

Today we light all of the candles. **The first candle** reminds us that Advent is a time to wait upon the Lord with faithful endurance. **The second candle** reminds us that Advent is a time to watch for God's presence with hopeful expectation. **The third candle** reminds us the Advent is a time to prepare for the Lord in heart, soul and mind. **The fourth candle** reminds us that the One we wait for, watch for, and prepare for is Jesus Christ, who is Emmanuel, meaning God is with us. Today we light the last candle: the **Christ Candle**. This candle reminds us that we are to proclaim the message of Christmas by celebrating what Christ has done, and by sharing it with others. As the light from each candle fills this room, so may the light of Christ fill our world!

