

**December 17, 2023**

**Today's Events**

- \* 8:00 AM –Men's Bible Study
- \* 8:45 AM - Prayer Group (Room 6 upstairs)
- \* 9:30 AM - Morning Worship
- \* 10:45 AM - Coffee Time/Sunday School
- \* 3:00 PM –Truth Seekers/Angel Tree Guests
- \* 5:00 PM - 412 Youth Candlelight Service

**Today's Assignments:**

Nursery: AM—Kelly Vos, Aspen Kramer, Erica Vos  
PM—Jentri and Aaron Van Wyngarden

Coffee Servers: Steve and Sharon Fopma  
John and Jacie Kramer

-Sound System: Julie Van Wyk

-Projection: Marlene Van Soelen

**Schedule of Week's Events**

**Wednesday, December 20**

**17:00 PM** Prayer Meeting

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**SULLY CHRISTIAN  
REFORMED CHURCH**

*“Cultivating space for people to experience the  
transforming love of Christ.”*

John 1:1-18

***“The Word Became Flesh!”***

Pastor Will Verhoef

**Gathering With Joy**

- Prelude
- Welcome
- Call to Worship
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Opening Songs.. "How Great Our Joy" RH 144 v.1,2,4
- \* ..... "Emmanuel" RH 134
- \* **Opening Ourselves to God**
- Advent Reading
- \* Song..... "Joy to the World" Rh 125 vs 1,3,4
- Congregational Prayer
- Offering ..... AM—Benevolence

**Examining Our Consciences**

- Scripture..... John 1:1-18 (p. 1645)
- Sermon ..... ***"The Word Became Flesh!"***

**Responding in Faith**

- Prayer of Response
- Song ..... "Hallelujah, What a Savior!" RH 175 v.1,3,5

**Celebrating the Lord's Supper**  
**The Invitation**

Congregation of Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared his table for all who love him and trust in him alone for their salvation. All who are truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who desire to live in obedience to him as Lord, are now invited to come with gladness to the table of the Lord.

**The Thanksgiving**

**Minister:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**Minister:** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**People:** It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

AM NOTES

Text: John 1:1-18

Title: ***"The Word Became Flesh!"***

**Minister:**

With joy we praise you, gracious Father, for you have created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—even when we fell into sin.

We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

**The Words of Institution**

**Minister:** We give thanks to God the Father that our Savior, Jesus Christ, before he suffered, gave us this memorial of his sacrifice, until he comes again. At his last supper, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, he took the cup after supper and said, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me.” For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes (1 Corinthians 11:23-26). Therefore we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

**People:** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

**The Communion**

Song: “Beneath the Cross”  
- duet by Brenda De Nooy and Randy Altena

**Minister:** (After the bread has been distributed) Take, eat, remember, and believe that the body of our Lord Jesus Christ was given for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

Song: “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”  
-duet by Brenda De Nooy and Randy Altena

Minister: (After the cup has been distributed) Take, drink, remember, and believe that the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ was given for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

**Thanksgiving****Benediction****Departing for Service**

- \* Benediction
- \* Doxology ..... “O Come, Let Us Adore Him”
- \* A Moment of Meditation
- \* Postlude

Worship Leader: Pastor Will Verhoef

Accompanists:

Organ – Mary Fopma

Pianist – Jodi De Vries

Violin – Hayden Lowry

Cello – Ada Van Wyngarden and Aspen Kramer