

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

# **Prayers, Praise, and Plans**

### A WEEKLY PUBLICATION OF CHURCH FAMILY CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRAYER PARTNERSHIP

Worship Today, December 7, 2025

In the season of Advent, we recognize the anticipation of God's people as they waited for the Messiah to come. What would He be like? More specifically, what would He do?

In the gospels there are several instances in which Jesus states explicitly what He came to do. In Mark 10:45 Jesus says, "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and give His life as a ransom for many." In Matthew 5:17 Jesus says, "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law of the Prophets: I Have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them." What's more, in Luke 19 Jesus says, "For the Son of Man came to seek and save the lost."

Therefore, this advent season we will look at these texts reflecting on what Jesus came to do here on earth, while ending our series by looking at Philippians 2 in which Paul reminds us that Jesus' coming into this world is culminated by Him being exalted to the highest place of authority

# Church Family Prayers

- > We offer our sympathy to Melvin and Marilyn Jansen in the passing of their son-in-law Kevin De Goey on Wednesday. We pray for peace and comfort as they grieve this loss.
- > Out of a desire to care for all our members, each week we will be placing names of shut-ins for you to remember in prayer. This week we want to specifically remember Betty Schuring, and Don and Deloris Van Rees.

# Next Week Sunday, December 14

Next week Sunday Pastor Darren will lead both services.

Offering: Joshua Christian Academy

Greeters: (N) Kevin and Jared Laverman

(S) Gary and JoAnn Fynaardt

Nursery Assignment: Harlan and Norma Beerends

Coffee Servers: Steve and Sharon Fopma

Jamie and Michelle Van Kooten

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Bulletin Deadline Thursday Noon.)

#### Budget Giving

Total Congregational Giving since June 1, 2025: \$191,650.26

Budgeted goal by November 30, 2025: \$224.812.98 Budget Giving Goal by May 31, 2026: \$449,626.00

The Council will be selecting names for the nomination of elder and deacon. If you would like to suggest a name or feel called to serve in this capacity, please contact a council member.

The Education Committee is looking for a second grade Sunday School teacher for the second semester of classes (beginning on January 11). Please contact Jana Van Zante if you're interested or would like to learn more about the role.

Thank You, Thank You!!! 17 ladies gathered on a very cold day on Thursday to make our quota for the quilts to be given at Christmas. 18 quilts were finished and ready for delivery. The group enjoyed soup, salads and desserts to top off the day! Thanks to all who helped make this successful!!! Save the date of January 22, 2026 for another sewing day.

Sully Christian School Christmas Program: SCS students would like to invite you to their Christmas program on Thursday, Dec. 11 starting at 7pm. We look forward to you joining us for an evening of music focused on the birth of our Lord and Savior. Merry Christmas.

**Peoria Christian School Christmas Program:** Everyone is invited to join us on Friday, December 12, at 7:00 PM at Peoria CRC for Peoria Christian School's Annual Christmas Program. We look forward to celebrating the birth of our Savior with our students, parents, and society members through the use of instruments, chimes, song, and the spoken word. A time of fellowship and coffee time will be held in the school gym after the program. Everyone is welcome to join us for this evening of worship.

**Drive Thru Live Nativity:** The Taintor Community Church, 111 Diagonal St, Taintor, IA will have a Live Nativity on Saturday, December 13 from 5-8 pm. There will be a free-will donation with proceeds going toward their 2026 Mission to Honduras.

COUNCIL FUNCTION/DI	STRICT	CHURCH PROGRAM	
Dale Van Wyk (26)			
Tim Vander Schel (26)		Sunday	
Nolan Vos (26)	Team 3	Men's Bible Study	8:00 AM
Mike Van Soelen (27)		Prayer Meeting	
Jeff Pastoor (27)		Church School	10:45 AM
Joel Vos (27)		*Growing in Grace	6:15 PM
Scott Roose (28)		2	nd Sunday of each month
Brent Rolffs (28)		*Truth Seekers	6:15 PM
Loren Fopma (28)		1 <sup>s</sup> &	& 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month
Darren Kornelis	Pastor	Tuesday	
		*Coffee Break Ministry	9:30 AM
DEACONS			
Dennis Schut (26)		Wednesday	
John Kramer (26)		*Ruth Circle	
Zach Dunsbergen (26)		*Share Your Faith	
Clint Vos (27)		*GEMS	
Lauren Van Wyk (27)l		*Cadets	
Nathan Nikkel (27)		*412 High School Youth Group	
Kevin Van Maanen (28) Jaden Vos (28)		* Indicates these groups meet Septer	nber through March.
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