

Bethany Christian Reformed Church
WORSHIP CELEBRATION



Lord's Day 49



December 8, 2013 *2nd Sunday of Advent* **9:30 am**

✠ WE ENTER TO WORSHIP GOD

Preparation for praise and worship of our God

Prelude.....Music

Welcome and Invitation to Worship

*Opening Song of Worship

.....PH335 Hark the Glad Sound! The Saviour Comes

.....In Christ Alone

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting and Prayers of Adoration

*Greeting one another with the peace of Jesus the Christ

*Songs of Praise.....You Are Holy

Advent Children's message – Peace

Song.....Wonderful Counsellor

Advent Reading & Lighting of the Peace Candle

Baptism of Jonah Damm

(Bethany Kids: ages 3-8 invited downstairs for Children's Church)

✠ REPENTANCE AND PRAISE

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Song of Response.....My Jesus I Love Thee

Congregational Prayer of God's People

The Lord's Tithe and our Offerings

1. Ministries here at Bethany and the CRC

2. Deacons

✠ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer that our hearts may be opened to the Word of God

Scripture: II Peter 3:1-18

Message.....Pastor John Zantingh

“Advent: Divine Delay”

Prayer of blessing on the message

✠ WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH JOY

*Hymn of Response

.....PH329

*Closing Prayer, blessing and sending out

*Closing songs of thankfulness

.....PH345 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

✠ WE LEAVE TO SERVE WITH CONFIDENCE

*Postlude..... Music

[* Please stand if you are able]

Welcome to those who are visiting today. Please take the time to fill out the Visitor Prayer Card. ☺

Bethany is part of a denomination called the Christian Reformed Church in North America ☺

Prayer Request? Please fill in the card found in front of you in the pew, and place in the offering bag.

Please join us after the *Service of Word* for fellowship & coffee in the fellowship hall.

Child-care is available for both infants and toddlers located in the lower level of the church.

Invite you to join the prayer team before the service at 8:30am. They gather in Sunday School Rm#3 interceding for God's people, as God's people gather to worship in Spirit & in Truth.

Missed a sermon? Like to catch up? ... sermons are available on the website for you to listen to.

LARGE print bulletins available - ask Denise if you would like one and she will print weekly!

📞 need some help hearing? Ask one of the ushers for a hearing aid ☺.

This LORD's Day

9:00am Prayer time in the Fireside Room

9:30am Worship Celebration

7:30pm Reflections Bible study will meet at the VanSoelens.

Please study lesson 6

The LORD's Week

Mon. 7:00pm GEMS

Tues. 7:00pm Catechism grades 9-12

Thurs. 6:00am Men's Bible Study

7:00pm Cadets

7:00pm Instruments in the Redeemers Hands

Fri. 9:30am Heart to Heart

Nursery: Hermien Korten, Ann Hook, Karen Langendoen, Diana DeVries, Nellie Scholman, Betty Gritter

Toddlers: Betty Vahrmeyer, Rita Forestell

Next LORD's Day

8:30am Prayer Time downstairs in Sunday School Rm#3

9:30am Worship Celebration. Pastor John Zantingh will lead our worship. Scripture: Romans 13:6-14 “Theme: Expect spiritual Growth”

LiFE Here at Bethany – future dates (DV)

December 24th – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 6:00pm

Bethany's Family Update

Birthdays: Colin Bouwers, Pieter Bulk, Bailey VanHoorn

Anniversaries: none this week

Praise & Prayer:

-Congratulations to **Riet Schouten** on the birth of 2 great-granddaughters this week, Ava and Katelyn.

-Continued prayer for **Quaid Waters (Bill & Tina Vahrmeyer's grandson)**

-**Luke Smit** is at Shalom—room #19 on Mapleview.

- Continue to keep in prayer **Adrian Vanderhout, Chris Smit, Jonah Damm, Dylan VanDriel, Caleb** (Karen Bylsma's nephew) and **Dan Mulder** (Sarah Stuive's brother), & **Jeff (& Marcia) Horinga** (John & Rosie's brother-in-law & Luke & Martha Sikkens brother).

-Others who are **ill** in our community of faith.

-Pray for **Pastor Colin VanderPloeg** and his wife Anita as they discern where their ministry will take them.

-Pray for the **college and university students** who are writing final exams for this term during the next 2 weeks.

Partners in Global Ministry:

*Continued prayer for **Tom & Deb deRuiter** who are serving in Mali, West Africa.

***Devon Van Hoffen** serving in Africa. Pray that Devon will be bold in sharing the gospel and loving in his service.

Check out his blog at www.devonvanhoffen.wordpress.com

***Elise Wierenga** serving on the island of Utila, Honduras.

Pray for Elise that as she seeks to share Christ's love to the people, pray that their hearts would be opened to the message of the gospel. www.cten.ca/elisewierenga

***Cassandra Vanderhout** serving on the island of Utila, Honduras

Is it your turn to serve today? ☺

Children's Church/Sunday School:

3 year olds- Vicky DenBak, Cassidy Kiers

4 year olds- Becky VanLochem, Connor DenBak

5 year olds- Brenda Boverhof, Natalie Langendoen

****Attention All Sitters: please arrive no later than 9:15am when it is your turn to serve in the Nursery/Toddler Room-thanks****

Nursery-Babies: Lorraine Wierenga, Teryl Dam, Andrea DeVries

Toddlers: Sarah Janssen, Vicky DenBak, Lauren VanHuizen

Projection: Darren H.

Sound: Tim

Ushers: Louie Dam, Dan Scholman

Greeters(Fellowship Hall, Floaters & Doors): Anita Wierenga, Bas & Trudy Slappendel, Kurtis Bouwers, Andria Slappendel, Hans & Hilda Dam

Coffee Servers: Bill & Ann VanLochem, Matt & Kelly Dam

Email / Letter to de Ruiter's: Sid & Patti Bakker

Address: Mr. Tom and Deb de Ruiter, B.P.2210, Bamako, Mali, West Africa – adiallo_78@hotmail.com

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Nursery-Babies: Bertha Burke, Tracy VanSoelen, Miranda Langendoen

Toddlers: Lynn Janssen, Diana Slappendel, Riley Kremer

Projection: Veronica **Sound:** Ed

Ushers: Chris Jorritsma, Mike DenBak

Greeters(Fellowship Hall, Floaters & Doors): Jerry & Jen Kiers, Ken & Nell Overbeeke, Harry & Sharon Hielema, Pete & Karen Veldhuizen

Coffee Servers: Cor & Ina VanSoelen, Pete & Karen Veldhuizen

Email / Letter to de Ruiter's: Zach & Steph Beldman

Kingdom 'Building' – Ministry Funding / Budget Update

The Joy of Ministry till October 31, 2013

	PLAN	ACTUAL
INFLOWS	\$317,899.30	\$334,106.55
OUTFLOWS	\$317,899.30	\$281,006.80
Classis Shares 2013 Commitment		\$13,465.32
Classis Shares paid to date		\$11,221.20
Denominational Shares 2013 Commitment.....		\$59,521.32
Denominational Shares paid to date.....		\$50,596.20
2 nd Offering last week (November 24 th)		
World Renew Phillipines Typhoon Haiyan.....		\$10,238.00
Deacons.....		\$5.00

Offerings

The 1st offering today will be for the ministries here at Bethany & the CRC and the 2nd: Deacons

Next week's 2nd offering: Shalom Manor

Welcome to Bethany!

We want to thank you for joining us for the worship of our God and Creator.

Here at Bethany, we strive to give God glory by communicating His message in a way that is Gospel (Christ) Centred.

God relishes the praises of His people.



"Sing to the Lord a new song."