THE LORD'S DAY, December 25, 2016

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 A.M.
Scripture: Luke 2
Text: Luke 2:1-6
Sermon: **The Lowly Birth of Our Lord**

I. The Decree
II. The Location
III. The Fulfillment

Psalters: 375; 323; 198; 264
Offerings: **General Fund**
Benevolence

AFTERNOON WORSHIP – 2:00 P.M.
Scripture: Galatians 4
Text: Galatians 4:4-7
Sermon: **The Son Sent That We Might Be Sons**

I. The Sending
II. The Transition
III. The Heir

Psalters: 410; 28; 365; 426
Offerings: **Trinity Christian High School**

Offerings next week are for the following causes:
Morning: General Fund and Benevolence
Afternoon: Building Fund and RFPA
Nursery this morning: Christy K., Alexa M., Shelby A.
This afternoon: Maria K., Lydia B., Karlene B.
Next Sunday morning: Anna P., Mrs. D. Rozeboom, Leah G.
Next Sunday afternoon: Mrs. D. Poppema, Emily G., Keahna H.
Ushers: For December: Marcus Andringa, Daniel Baker, Jeremy Baker
For January: Carl Bruinsma, Allyn Brummel, Dillon Brummel

Listen to the Reformed Witness Hour every Sunday on KLOH 1050 AM at 8:00 a.m. and KDCR 88.5 FM at 5:00 p.m. Today's message is "The Ruler from Bethlehem" (Micah 5:2). Next week's message will be "Alpha and Omega" (Revelation 1:8).

FROM THE CONSISTORY OR COUNCIL

We welcome all visitors worshiping with us today. May God's name be exalted as we worship together. The order of our worship service is printed on the back of the bulletin.

This morning we have our annual Christmas Day service. Let us rejoice and thank God for the love He has shown us in sending His Son.

There will be no catechism classes this week. Tuesday morning catechism classes will have a review of Lessons 11-15 when catechism resumes on January 3.

CALL TO WORSHIP: This Saturday at 7:00 p.m. we will have our annual Old Years' Day service. Offerings will be for Domestic Missions and Beacon Lights. Nursery attendants will be Rachel K., Mrs. J. Mouw, and Lenora B.

Next Sunday morning we will have our annual New Year's Day service. The installation of officebearers will also take place during that service.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today: The Young Peoples' Society will not meet today.
Thursday: Christian Fellowship Society will not meet this week.
Saturday: Old Year's Day service at 7:00 p.m.

CONCERNING THE CONGREGATION

Henry Van Maanen is asked to write to Gary Brummel and John Huizenga to Derick Grimm.

We rejoice with Luke and Sarah Mantel (nee De Roon) who were united in marriage this past Friday. May God richly bless their marriage that it reflects that of Christ and His church.

On Tuesday Johanna Westra had a surgical procedure at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls to remove a blockage in a liver bile duct. The surgery went well, and she returned home on Friday. They removed some remnants from her previous gall-bladder surgery and inserted a stent that will need to be removed in six weeks. Let us continue to remember her and her family in our prayers. *I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me.* (Psalm 57:2)

Directory update: Christina Kooiker's address is 903 East Prairie Street, PO Box 243, Boyden 51234. Kimmy & Cheryl Kooiker's email address is kkooiker@nethtc.net.

CHURCH NEWS

Rev. R. Kleyn declined the call from Doon PRC to be a missionary to the Philippines.

India Delegation: Prof. Barry and Lori Gritters and Deane and Donna Wassink leave for a three Sunday stay with the PRCV this week Tuesday, Dec. 27. This will be Prof. Gritter's third trip to India. He will be involved especially with the Sola Gratia Program in training area pastors in the Reformed Faith and the pastoral ministry. He will preach and teach in the PRCV, English congregation, and Village out reach. The Wassinks will assist in all these labors as well as direct their attention to the GFH and Tamil congregation in expanding and strengthening our bonds in Christ with the PRCV. Pray for the Lord's blessing.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Edgerton YP invite you to their Christmas Singspiration on Sunday, January 1, at 7:30 p.m. Come to sing God's praises for the birth of Christ and help support our efforts to go to the 2017 PRYP convention.

WEALTH volunteers needed: WEALTH society begins again on Wednesday, January 4, and we are in need of a couple volunteers for the 2nd semester. An alternate helper (every other week) in the Twinkling Stars (2yr old) room and a full time or part time helper(s) in the Precious Jewels (4-5 yr old) room are needed. Contact Mary Vis at maryjvis@yahoo.com or text/call at 712-470-3693 or Katie Westra ktwestra25@gmail.com or text/call at 712-578-8731 if you would like to volunteer or have any questions. Thank you in advance!

In this our 75th anniversary year, we the members of the Reformed Witness Hour Committee thank God for preserving our radio and internet broadcast in the Reformed truth of the gospel from 1941-2016. We also thank you for your prayer and financial support. Please continue to remember us in prayer and in your year-end giving as our needs are great.

Special Education Deficit Drive: The PRSE Board thanks all those who responded to our fall drive. We have raised $113,000.00 of our $262,500.00 annual goal. Please take a look at our updated website at http://www.prspecialeducation.org/ where you are able to go to the Funds tab and scroll down to see our goal meter. Please prayerfully consider Protestant Reformed Special Education in your year-end giving. Thank you for your continued support and prayers. *But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Jesus Christ*. Philippians 4:19

There is a new updated list of teaching positions on the back table.