WORSHIP – DECEMBER 17, 2023

Welcome

Announcements

Advent Candle: Joy

Song: O Come All Ye Faithful Song: God Rest You Merry Gentlemen/He Has Come For Us

Responsive Reading: Jesus Is Worthy

Song: Karen Dahle Special Music

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12 Sermon: *"Jesus Is Worthy"*

Song: Joy To The World

Benediction

Closing Song: Worthy You Are Worthy P. 260

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT is a season leading up to Christmas when we expectantly wait to celebrate Jesus first coming; and, we take time to prepare for Jesus second coming. As we finish out 2023 our hope and prayer is that our relationship with God will grow deeper and sweeter. Don't allow all the stuff of the season to push aside the true reason for the season: Jesus.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS: The offerings will go to support Destiny EWO, a ministry to support the elderly, widows and orphans in the US and Uganda, Africa.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: THE LINK is based on Romans 12: 13 "Share with the Lord's people who are in need." The work of The Link and the generosity and volunteerism of the community are making a positive impact on the lives of children, families, and seniors in northern Kandiyohi County. The Link shares the love of God through service to others. The Link has a food pantry, Wildcat backpack program, Tuesday's Table, meeting basic needs, student snack pantry, and household exchange. Please put The Link or Mission of the Month in the memo line of your check. Donations for this mission can be given throughout the month of December.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE: Sunday, Dec. 24th @ 9:00 a.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE: Sunday, Dec. 24th @ 5:00 p.m.

AFTER CHURCH FELLOWSHIP: Starting in January 2024 we will go back to the way we used to do the fellowship time with the greeters scheduled for that Sunday also asked to provide the cookies/snacks. The coffee maker is already set up and run earlier; just some simple cleanup at the end of the morning. Thank you for your support of this ministry to one another.

2024 CHURCH DIRECTORY: You will find the updated 2024 Church Directory in your church mailbox.

THANK YOU: Dear Church Family, A big thank you for making my birthday so special! Thank you also for the flowers, gifts, calls, cards, visits and food. May our Lord bless you and a blessed Christmas for you all. Minnie

PRAY

Please Pray For: Minnie Beukhof, Mel Brouwer, Lorry Carlson, Art Johnson, Gail Krossman, Beth Van Den Einde and MaryLou Van Den Einde.

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	TODAY	NEXT WEEK
Greeters:	Phil & Jan Damhof	
	Paul & April Damhof	
Servers:		
Worship & AV:	Jan, Steve, David	Becky, Tim, Ethan
Nursery:	Jeni & Josh	Kayla & Tricia
	GIVE	
	ful for your financial giving ries it supports as you sha isted to you.	

Ways to give: After the worship service the deacons will be at the sanctuary exits holding offering plates to receive your gifts; or you can mail in checks to the church office; or you can give online through the church website: www.firstreformedwillmar.com/give

Budget:	
Last Sunday's Offering:	

\$4866. \$2600.

INFORMATION

Church Leaders & Staff

Pastor: Robert Ford Head Elder: Junell Petersen Worship Director: Becky Lippert Worship

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

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