WORSHIP – DECEMBER 24, 2023

Welcome

Announcements

Advent Candle: Love

Song: Angels From The Realms Of Glory Song: God Rest You Merry Gentlemen/He Has Come For Us

Responsive Reading: Jesus Is Here

Song: The First Noel P. 265

Scripture: John 18:37, Romans 8:28-30, 2 Corinthians 5:18-21, John 10:10 & 12:47-50 Sermon: *"Jesus Is Here: The Presents of Presence"*

Song: Go Tell It On The Mountain

Benediction

Closing Song: Emmanuel P.243

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.

Pastor Rob & Karen will take vacation time Dec 25, 2023-Jan 1, 2024. Part of that time will be spent in Illinois visiting family.

The Consistory installation of the new deacons and elders will be Sunday January 7, 2024. Sharon Dragt, Jeni Ritz & Caleb Van Den Einde have been elected deacons; and Gawin Kooistra & Ray Krossman have been elected elders.

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.

PRAY

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

SERVE

NEXT WEEK

Phil & Jan Damhof Greeters: Paul & April Damhof Servers: Dennis & Ruth Bredeson Worship & AV: Jan, Steve, David **Nursery:** Jeni & Josh

TODAY

Rod & Carolyn Dierenfeld **Cindy Fischer**

Becky, Tim, Ethan Kayla & Tricia

GIVE

We are thankful for your financial giving to this church and the various ministries it supports as you share a portion of what God has entrusted 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. \$5348.

INFORMATION

Church Leaders & Staff

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

Worship

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

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