This Week at Fellowship

8:30am Morning Worship Service Sanctuary Various Classrooms 9:50am Children's Sunday School Fellowship Hall 9:50am Congregational Meeting 11:00am Morning Worship Service Sanctuary 5:30pm Prayer Meeting Pastor Shawn's Office 5:30pm New Life Core Groups **TBD** 6:00pm Children's Christmas Program Sanctuary 7:30pm Turning Point 180 Groups **TBD** 9:00am Pickleball Mon. Gym 12:00pm Widow/Widower/Single Senior Lunch Fellowship Hall 4:15pm Timmer Gym Usage Gym 6:30pm Team One Vocal Sanctuary 7:45pm Team One Band Sanctuary Tues. 5:30am Early Riser's Men's Bible Study Room 107 5:30am Young Men's Discipleship Bible Study Room 109 9:00am Staff Meeting Room 107 9:00am Park Rehearsal Sanctuary 6:00pm Worship Team Meeting **Baldwin Street Biggby** 6:30pm Park Holiday Program Sanctuary Wed. 9:15am Drop-In Ladies' Bible Study Room 107 10:30am Redoration Evergreen Lunch/Concert Meet at Door D 12:00pm Serendipity Men's Bible Study First Reformed Grandville 5:15pm Family Night Meal Gym Various Classrooms 6:30pm Jr JAM/JAM/GEMS/BOOM! 6:45pm Christ and Politics Music Room 6:45pm Dignity Serves Room 03 6:45pm Success That Matters Bible Study Room 001 8:00pm Men's Discipleship Bible Study Room 001 8:30pm Young Adult's Bible Study Room 109 Thurs. 6:30am Men's Scripture/Prayer Bible Study Room 107 8:00am Women's War Room Room 109 9:00am Forest Grove Rehearsal Sanctuary 1:00pm Pickleball Gym 4:00pm Timmer Gym Usage Gym 6:00pm Evergeen Commons Dinner/Concert Meet at Door D 7:00pm Forest Grove Holiday Program Sanctuary 8:15pm Men's Basketball Gym Fri. 7:00am Band of Brothers' Bible Study Room 109 9:00am Pickleball Gym 6:00pm Datema Rental Gym Room 027 Sat. 7:30am Dawn Patrol 1:00pm Terpstra Rental Gvm 3:00pm Longstreet Rental Fellowship Hall





Prelude

DECEMBER 9, 2018

* Call to Worship: #245 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

* Songs of Praise:

"Joy to the World (Shout for Joy)"

"Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)"

Prayer and Salutation

SHARING OUR HEARTS

11:00am Service:

Membership Transfers: Quinn and Haley Trevino

Reaffirmation of Faith: Sara Karsten

Infant Baptism: Mira Grace Holstege (daughter of Kyle and Erica)

Moment for Ministry: Pastor Earl and Barb Slotman

Congregational Prayer/Offertory Prayer

Offering/Offertory: #251 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

(Children ages 3—Kindergarten are dismissed for Children and Worship.)

FOCUSING OUR THOUGHTS

Prayer for Blessing on the Word of God

Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25 (pg. 959 in the Pew Bible)

Message: "Home for Christmas: Obedience" Rev. Jeremy Visser

Prayer of Application

DEPARTING TO SERVE

* Benediction

* Song of Response: "Midnight Clear"

* Postlude

* Please stand if you are able

ELDER'S MEETING RECAP (DECEMBER 2, 2018)

BAPTISM REQUESTS:

- Keith and Malyn Heyboer for Leighton Annaliese
- Jason and Laura King for Toby Jacob
- Jake and Leslie Miedema for Marley May
- Brian and Emily TerHaar for Russell Wayne
- Jon and Amanda Veldman for Waverly Danae

CONFESSIONS OF FAITH:

- Anna Hayes
- Noah Hayes
- Jake Miedema
- Leslie Miedema
- Annika Talsma
- Rileigh Talsma
- Brian TerHaar

REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

Emily TerHaar

TRANSFERS OF MEMBERSHIP INTO FELLOWSHIP:

■ Ken and Sue Cammenga from Ivanrest CRC in Grandville

COMMUNITY NEWS

WEST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY CHORALE presents its Annual Christmas Concert, "Christmas Comes to Town," on Sunday, December 16, at 3:00pm at the Jenison Center for the Arts, (8375 20th Avenue, Jenison). The concert will feature seasonal and sacred selections by Alan Silvestri, Irving Berlin, John Rutter, and more. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$5 for seniors and students, or a family pass for \$30. Advance tickets are available now at https://jpsarts.com or at the box office prior to the concert.

2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

Budgeted Amount Last Week's Offering Overage to Date Sunday School	•	40,851.74 43,024.18 90,237.81 162.16	Contributions to FRC can be made in four ways: Weekly Offerings during our Worship Services; Online Giving through Subsplash; Auto-Giving through your Bank; or Mailing a Check to the Church Address.
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Church Telephone: 616.669.1213 Church Prayer Line: 616.669.5400
Bulletin Announcement Deadline: 4:00pm on Wednesday
Web Site: frchudsonville.org

Worship Times: 8:30am, 11:00am, and 6:00pm

<u>JAMES:</u> Plan now to join Pastor Jeremy and Jim DeHorn as we exegete the book of James during our Family Night class beginning Wednesday evening, January 9. *Exegete*: to expound or interpret a scriptural text.

<u>WANT MORE?</u> Each Sunday, the Adult Education Team offers articles pertaining to the morning sermon topic. The articles are designed to enhance your knowledge and provide supplementary information for your entertainment and spiritual growth. The articles are available in the display racks located on the bulletin tables.

FRC DISCIPLESHIP BLOG: Last week's blog was so interesting that we sent it out every day. Actually, we experienced a bit of a "tech" glitch—but all is well. If you're on the blog subscriber's list, you'll get this coming week's posting on Monday as usual--and ONLY on Monday. The FRC Discipleship Blog is written by Jim DeHorn.

NEW CITY CATECHISM: Week 49 Q&A: Where is Christ now? Answer: Christ rose bodily from the grave on the third day after His death and is seated at the right hand of the Father. The question for Week 50 is: What does Christ's resurrection mean for us?

NEW CITY CATECHISM: If your family took advantage of the New City Catechism this year as a way to grow stronger in your faith, the Education Team would love to reward you with some certificates of participation. Just contact Jim DeHorn by phone, email, or slip something into his mailbox, and we'll see to it that you get mementos of your achievement.

SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

REDORATION CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AT EVERGREEN COMMONS: Those who have signed up for the luncheon and program at Evergreen Commons on Wednesday, December 12, should meet at church by Door D at 10:30am. Your tickets will be distributed to you on the bus.

EVERGREEN COMMONS CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PROGRAM: Those who have signed up for the dinner and program at Evergreen Commons on Thursday, December 13, should meet at church by Door D at 5:00pm if you signed up for bus transportation. Your tickets will be distributed to you on the bus. If you signed up saying you would provide your own transportation, meet the rest of the group in the lobby at Evergreens that evening at 5:30pm. Your tickets were placed in your mailbox last Sunday.

SENIOR GAME DAYS: Sign up on the sheet located on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board if you would like to join a group of senior adults on Wednesday, December 19, to play a variety of games. They meet in Room 107 from 1:30-4:30pm.

WELCOME HOME TO FELLOWSHIP REFORMED CHURCH. We are convinced that every member of our family brings a valuable contribution as we celebrate the one true God! This celebration takes place in three ways: worship, growth and service. As disciples, we long to see one another actively worshipping God—pursuing Him in a life of praise. Secondly, we are called to intentional growth—studying God's Word with brothers and sisters throughout the course of the week. Finally, we demonstrate our love for God by actively serving within His Kingdom—being the very hands and feet of Christ. Visit our website today and discover how you can worship, grow and serve within the family at FRC!

STAFF NEWS

<u>OFFICE CLOSED:</u> A very limited number of staff members will be available in the office on Monday, December 17, and Tuesday morning, December 18. Staff will be checking and responding to emails and voice mails periodically throughout the day. The staff will be sharing song and Christmas cheer with our Friends at Home.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>WELCOME GUESTS:</u> Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please fill out a blue Welcome Card located in the pew slot. Return the card to the Information Desk to receive a gift as a thank you for joining us today.

OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is TODAY, December 9, at 9:45am in the Fellowship Hall; we will be voting at this meeting.

<u>OUR CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM</u> is tonight, December 9, during the evening service. Join us as the children of FRC tell the Christmas story through singing and drama. Children ages three through Kindergarten will be sitting with their parents during the drama portion of the program. Please plan ahead and leave room with your family for your child(ren).

CHILDREN PARTICIPATING IN TONIGHT'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM should meet their teachers in their classrooms by 5:45pm. All 4th-6th graders participating in the program need to meet in Room 043 at 5:30pm to get their costumes on.

FAMILY NIGHT MEALS: Join us this Wednesday, December 12, for Hot Dogs and Chili served from 5:15-6:10pm. The cost is \$3.00 per person. Sign up on the sheet located on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board to ensure everyone will be served. Looking ahead: December 19: Pizza.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: The deadline for submissions to the January Newsletter is Thursday, December 20, at noon. Items can be emailed to Ifolkert@frchudsonville.org, placed in the mailbox of Linda Folkert, or dropped off in the church office.

INDIVIDUAL-USE HEARING DEVICES are available at the Information Desk.

WORDS OF HOPE DEVOTIONALS are available on the Information Desk.

2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES were placed in your mailbox this week. Contact Shelli Schultz at 669-1213 or sschultz@frchudsonville.org if you were not given envelopes and would like to have them. If you received envelopes and do not plan to use them, please drop them off in the Church Office so they can be reassigned to someone else. Please note that we are only able to provide year-end contribution statements to those who use our envelope system.

YOUR END-OF-YEAR FINANCIAL GIFTS have always been an enormous blessing to the ongoing Kingdom-work of Christ. As you consider such a faithful contribution this year, please note the date of Wednesday, December 26. In an effort to accurately record and receipt each gift, we are requesting that all contributions be in the church office by Wednesday, December 26.

THE WIDOW/WIDOWER/SINGLE SENIOR LUNCHEON is tomorrow, December 10, at noon for everyone who has RSVP'd. The luncheon will be held in the Fellowship Hall. Volunteers cleaning up afterwards should meet in the Kitchenette at 1:00pm. Those unable to attend may pick up their currant bread from a table in the lobby next Sunday, December 16.

THE GUEST WELCOME TEAM is looking for friendly people to serve as Super Greeters at our morning worship services. If you have the gift of hospitality and would like to welcome guests to FRC after either morning service, please contact Dawn Feenstra at dfeenstra@frchudsonville.org or 669-1213.

FRIENDS-AT-HOME CHRISTMAS CARDS: Please consider giving a Christmas Card to each Friend-At-Home listed on the weekly yellow prayer insert. Drop the cards off in the church lobby through Sunday, December 16. A container with their name is conveniently displayed for you to drop off the cards. The cards will be personally delivered the following week to each Friend-at-Home.

<u>CHRISTMAS EVE NURSERY:</u> We are in need of some volunteers for our nursery for our Christmas Eve service on Monday, December 24, at 5:00pm. Sign up on the sheet located on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board if you can help.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHILDREN AND WORSHIP will not be meeting on December 23, December 30, or January 6. They will resume on Sunday, January 13.

FAMILY NIGHT CLASSES FOR ALL AGES will not be meeting on December 26 or January 2. We will resume on Wednesday, January 9.

TRIVIA NIGHT: On Saturday, January 19, the Youth Ministries are hosting Trivia Night, a night of fun in which teams of eight compete in 10 rounds of trivia while enjoying dinner, dessert, and live entertainment. Kid-sitting is also provided if needed. All of this is only \$15 per person. Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board as an individual or a team.

2019 FRC WORLD RENEW SERVICE TRIP: A team is being formed to serve with World Renew on a Disaster Relief Project sometime in early 2019 (location TBD). If you are interested, please sign up on the Outreach Bulletin Board to receive more information or contact Glenn Kooiker at gikooiker@att.net.

WEATHER POLICY: In the event that church activities or services are cancelled due to the weather, the closing will be announced in the following ways: Home Page of our church website, FRC Facebook Page, FRC Prayer Blog, WZZM TV13, WOOD TV8, WXMI TV17, and WCSG 91.3. Please note that the cancellation of Hudsonville Public Schools *does not* automatically cancel events at FRC.

YOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

NEW LIFE CORE GROUP HANGOUTS will be tonight, December 9; therefore, we will not be meeting as a large group. See the Youth Ministry Bulletin Board for hangout information.

NEW LIFE YOUTH MINISTRY (7th-8th gr.): Join us next Sunday, December 16, as we talk about the reason for celebrating this holiday season and play some Christmas inspired games. We meet in the Youth Room from 5:30-7:00pm.

TURNING POINT YOUTH MINISTRY (9th-12th gr.) meets in 180 Groups tonight, December 9. Talk to your leader to verify when and where you're meeting.

ADULT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

YOUNG ADULT'S DANIEL STUDY: Join us in Room 109 on Wednesday, December 12, as we continue our study of Daniel beginning at 8:30pm.

YOUNG ADULT PASSION CONFERENCE: In a few weeks, we are headed to Washington D.C. for a time of worship, study of God's Word, and fun together. It's January 2-4. Cost is \$225. Sign up today!

DECEMBER SPECIAL: BEING A CHRISTIAN IN OUR CURRENT POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT: Join Pastor Jeremy for a two-week Family Night class dealing with how we as Christians are to live out our faith in our current culture. How do we be Jesus to the world around us in 2019? This class will meet in the Music Room beginning at 6:45pm on the evenings of December 12 and 19. Join us.

<u>DAWN PATROL</u> is this Saturday morning, December 15. Join with the rest of the guys for a time of fellowship and spiritual growth. Dawn Patrol is for all the men of Fellowship regardless of age or spiritual maturity. Meet us in Room 027 at 7:30am; we'll have donuts, too (Sprinkles).

NEXT SUNDAY'S OPEN GATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS is designed to whet your appetite for the fascinating series being offered during the second semester of the education season. This series, led by Joel Baar, will focus on the Holy Land and will begin on January 13.