



# fellowship

## CHURCH

**CELEBRATING OUR GOD**

**DECEMBER 3, 2023**

Prelude: "Little Drummer Boy"

Songs of Praise:

"Christmas Day"

"Sing We the Song of Emmanuel"

"It's Christmas"

Welcome and Prayer

Congregational Prayer

(Please take a moment to sign and pass the Fellowship Pad or check-in online.)

(Children may come forward for the Children's Message.)

## **MATURING RELATIONSHIPS**

Children's Message

(Children ages 3 - Kindergarten may go to Children and Worship.)

Song of Preparation: "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Prayer for the Blessing on the Word of God

Scripture: Luke 1:5-20 (pg. 1,016)

Message: "Too Late?"

Rev. Shawn Hulst

Prayer of Application

## **ENGAGING THE WORLD**

Benediction

Songs of Response: "O Come O Come Emmanuel"

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

# WELCOME

We're so glad you've joined us today! If you're a first-time guest, please fill out a Welcome Card located in the pew slot in front of you or online. Stay up to date at Fellowship with our app, website, and Facebook page.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** is **today** (Sunday, December 3), at 10:00A in the Sanctuary; we will be voting at this meeting. During the meeting, there will be an informational presentation, including the introduction of Consistory nominees and a budget review, followed by the vote. Profiles of the nominees, along with a copy of the 2024 proposed budget, are available at the Information Desk.

**ELDERS' MEETING:** If you would like to make your Confession or Reaffirmation of Faith in Jesus Christ—or, if you would like to request Baptism—please meet with our Elders and Pastors **today** (Sunday, December 3), at 4:00P in Room 107. Enter the church at Door D or E. Those wishing to transfer their Church Membership into FRC should contact Linda Folkert at 669-1213.

**FAMILY NIGHT MEALS:** Join us Wednesday, December 6, from 5:15-6:10P for chili and hot dogs. The cost is \$3 per person. Sign up on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board to ensure everyone will be served.

**ON DECEMBER 10**, join us in worship at 8:30A as we celebrate Advent by singing some of our favorite carols. Our 11:00A service will be our Annual Kids' Christmas program: "What Did I Miss?" All Sunday school kids through 3rd Grade and 4th and 5th Graders with speaking parts will remain with their Sunday School class prior to the start of the program.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

- ♦ Sunday, December 10 - No Children and Worship at the 11:00A Service
- ♦ Sunday, December 17 - Sunday, January 7- No Sunday School
- ♦ Wednesday, December 20 - Wednesday, January 3 - No Family Night
- ♦ Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Services at 8:30A and 11:00A
- ♦ Sunday, December 31 - New Year's Eve Service at 9:30A

**CHILDREN AND WORSHIP FOR CHRISTMAS EVE:** We are still looking for one adult and one helper for the 11:00A Service for Children and Worship. If you can serve, please sign up on the Kids' Ministry Bulletin Board. Contact Megan at [mdurham@frchudsonville.org](mailto:mdurham@frchudsonville.org) with any questions.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR FRIENDS-AT-HOME:** Please consider giving a Christmas Card to each Friend-at-Home listed on the Prayer Insert. Your cards can be placed in the containers on the table in the Lobby through Sunday, December 10.

**WIDOW, WIDOWER, SINGLE SENIOR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON:** We look forward to seeing everyone who signed up on Monday, December 11. Lunch will be served at noon; punch will be available at 11:45A.

**2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES** were placed in your mailbox this week. Contact Shelli Schultz at 669-1213 or [sschultz@frchudsonville.org](mailto:sschultz@frchudsonville.org) if you were not given envelopes and would like to use 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. Those using Subsplash will receive a year-end statement as well.

**GODWIN HEIGHTS CHRISTMAS:** For those who obtained an envelope to purchase a Meijer gift card for a Godwin Heights family, all gift cards need to be returned to the church office or the box at the Information Desk by December 10.

**THANK YOU SUBMISSIONS** for the December 15 Weekly Email are due on Wednesday, December 13, at noon. Please place them in Linda Folkert's mailbox or email [lfolkert@frchudsonville.org](mailto:lfolkert@frchudsonville.org).

## YOUTH

**NEW LIFE (6TH TO 8TH Grade):** Join us tonight (Sunday, December 3) as we dive into what it looks like to be grateful for the gift of Jesus during this Christmas season! Students are invited to join us for food and fellowship until 6:45P.

**CRANHILL WINTER RETREAT:** Registration closes tonight (Sunday, December 3) at midnight for the CranHill Ranch Winter Retreat. All students who are signed up will need to turn in their \$80 payment by Tuesday, December 19.

**TURNING POINT (9TH TO 12TH Grade):** Join us tonight (Sunday, December 3) as we begin a three-week series on anger that will lead us to the birth of Christ. We will meet in the Youth Room from 7:00-8:30P, but come a little early for food.

**TURNING POINT LAKE ANN RETREAT:** The registration deadline is 11:59P today (Sunday, December 3). January 19-21 will be an incredible weekend of having fun, growing in your faith, and hanging out with friends. Go to [frchudsonville.org/turning-point](http://frchudsonville.org/turning-point) for full details and to register.

**TURNING POINT BOARD GAME NIGHT:** On Friday, December 15, we will be playing board games in the Youth Room from 12:00-7:00P. Come and go as needed. We have lots of board games available, or you can bring your favorite.

**TURNING POINT CANNONBURG SNOW TUBING:** On Friday, December 29, we will be tubing at Cannonsburg. They have a magic carpet that brings you back to the top of the hill! We will meet at church at 6:00P and be back at 9:45P. The cost is \$25, and registration at [frchudsonville.org/turning-point](http://frchudsonville.org/turning-point) is required.

## ADULT



SCAN ME

**COMEDY NIGHT:** On Friday, March 1, Fellowship will be hosting comedian Brian Bates for stand-up comedy. Brian has done several specials and worked with some of the biggest names in comedy. He can be heard every week on the "Nateland Podcast." Scan the QR code to get more information. The tickets will be available beginning on Friday, December 15, and will be \$25 per person.

**MARRIAGE CONFERENCE:** On Saturday, March 2, Fellowship will be hosting a one-day marriage conference with Dr. Stephen Granschow. The conference will be from 8:30A-4:30P. Lunch will be provided. The cost is \$50 a couple; sign up on our website or app under Events before Thursday, February 1, to get two tickets to the comedy night included!

🕒 **Worship Times: 8:30A and 11:00A**

# THIS WEEK AT FELLOWSHIP

<b>SUN</b> 3	8:30A	Worship Service	Sanctuary
	9:50A	Sunday School	Various
	10:00A	Congregational Meeting and Vote	Sanctuary
	10:45A	Hand2Hand Packing	Lobby
	11:00A	Worship Service	Sanctuary
	4:00P	Elders' Meeting	Room 107
	5:00P	New Life Youth Ministry	Youth Room
	7:00P	Turning Point Youth Ministry	Youth Room
<b>MON</b> 4	9:00A	Pickleball	Gym
	10:00A	Senior Meal Prep	Kitchen
	3:30P	Zeilstra Gym Usage	Gym
	5:00P	Nicholson Gym Usage	Gym
	6:30P	High School Basketball	Gym
	7:00P	Business Consistory Meeting	Room 107
<b>TUE</b> 5	5:30A	Cross-Age Brotherhood Men's Bible Study	Room 109
	5:30A	Early Risers Men's Bible Study	Room 107
	5:30A	Young Ladies' Bible Study	Room 108
	9:00A	Staff Meeting	Room 107
	9:00A	Pickleball	Gym
	11:00A	Ladies' Over 50 Coffee	Arrows Restaurant
	1:00P	Yak and Yarn	Music Room
	4:00P	Brusveen Gym Usage	Gym
	5:30P	Upward Basketball	Gym
	<b>WED</b> 6	10:00A	Women's Koinonia Bible Study
12:00P		Iron Sharpens Iron Bible Study	Baar Law Office
5:15P		Family Night Meal	Gym
6:30P		JR JAM/JAM/GEMS/BOOM!	Various
6:30P		Women's Bible Study	Room 001
6:45P		Success That Matters	Room 042
6:45P		Raising Your Kids Without ...	Sanctuary
6:45P		Men's Discipleship Group	Prayer Room
<b>THU</b> 7	6:30A	Men's Prayer and Scripture Study	Room 107
	8:30A	Women's War Room Prayer Group	Room 109
	9:00A	Park Elementary Holiday Program Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	3:00P	Underground	Youth Room/Gym
	5:30P	Pickleball	Gym
	6:20P	Park Elementary Holiday Program	Sanctuary
	6:30P	Young Married "First Five Years"	Offsite
<b>FRI</b> 8	7:00A	Band of Brothers	Room 107
	9:00A	Pickleball	Gym
	3:30P	Zeilstra Gym Usage	Gym
	5:45P	Volpe Gym Usage	Offsite
<b>SAT</b> 9	9:00A	Kids' Christmas Program Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	10:00A	Mornings with Mom	Fellowship Hall

## 2023 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Budgeted Amount	\$ 42,445.83
Last Week's Offering	\$ 29,362.90
Shortage To Date	\$ (69,921.02)
Thanksgiving Offering	\$ 58,262.07

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.

**Thank You!**