## ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

#### **NEW MEMBERS & BAPTISM OPPORTUNITIES**

If you are interested in becoming a member at Fellowship or if you or a member of your family are seeking baptism, please mark these dates on your calendar and use the QR codes to signup. If you have questions, contact Pastor Ross: rdieleman@fellowshipreformed.org.

**The New Member Class** will be Sunday January 21 from 11:45am-3pm (including lunch). We will celebrate New Members in worship either February 4 or February 25.





**The Baptism Class** will be February 4 @ 9:30am. We will celebrate baptisms in worship on February 11 (either service).

## GIVING

To support the work God is doing in and through Fellowship's ministries, you can give cash or checks using the offering bowls in the Sanctuary, text any dollar amount to **84321,** or use the QR code or the Church Center app to give online.





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Third Sunday of Advent

**SUNDAY | DECEMBER 17 | 9 & 10:30AM** 

## PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to submit a prayer request, we have a new system using a QR code. You may choose whether you want the request to go to the Care Team (pastors and care coordinator), to the prayer chain (a group of lay leaders/staff), or be published in the bulletin. If you are not comfortable using the QR code, please contact Pat Vorpagel at 616.399.9280, x130 or pvorpagel@fellowshipreformed.org to request prayers.



## **GATHERED WORSHIP**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## SERMON REFLECTION

#### Prelude

Call to Worship (Advent 3): Revelation 15:3-4

He Shall Reign Forevermore\*
Savior of the Nations, Come\*

## **Advent Candle Lighting & Chant**

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

## **Prayer of Lament**

Wait for the Lord\*

## **Passing the Peace**

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

(dismissed during song: 3 yrs - 3rd grade [9am]; 3 yrs - 8th grade [10:30am]) loyto the World\*

**Scripture:** Isaiah 2:1-5; 11:1, 10; 66:18-24; Hebrews 1:3b-4; 2:8b-9; Revelation 15:3b

**Sermon:** "O King of Nations"

He Shall Reign\*

#### **Benediction**

#### **Postlude**

\*indicates congregational song

#### **Leading in the Service**

**Preaching:** Rev. Tierra Marshall | **Liturgists:** Rev. Ross Dieleman, Jess Mix, Rev. Nate Schipper **Musicians:** Matt & Megan Abbott, Aaron Anderson, Bob Bruins, Darrin Duistermars, Barb Eriks, Christy, Eddie, & Maya Garcia, Eliana & Zachary Huisman, Jim McFarland, Betty McLarty, Lori Maatman, Dan Ritsema, Lynda Schipper, Jennie & Ed Schmidt, Chris Sprik, Ginger VandenBrink **Audio & Video Tech Team:** Joel & Kary Bosma, Jeremy & Ryan Dalman, Paul Solis, Jeff Stuttman, Duane VandenBrink, Bryce Vander Stelt

As a **WITH MINISTRIES** church, Fellowship welcomes all individuals and families living with disabilities. Please inquire at the Welcome Center for assistance and/or additional information. We have a team, led by Sara Gortsema, that addresses these needs in our community all year round.

#### MONDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Monday Women's Bible Study group is having a *Christmas potluck and white elephant gift exchange* tomorrow, Monday, December 18 from **12:30-2:30pm** in the East Room. If you have any questions, contact Bonnie Bruursema: 616.399.4924. They welcome new friends to join!

#### PRIMETIMERS THIS WEDNESDAY

The PrimeTimers meet **this Wednesday, December 20**, in the East Room @ 9am for fellowship, food, and fun. All people aged 65 and older are welcome! If you have questions, contact Angie Riksen 616.886.0365. We hope to see you there!

#### SPIRITUAL FITNESS CLASS

All are welcome to join this group in exercising your spiritual muscles by practicing the practices of the faith. They meet Sunday mornings @ 10:15am in room N-4. *They will not meet December 24 and December 31.* The class will resume Sunday, January 7th. If you have questions, contact Paulette Chaponniere: 616.928.4751.

### DECEMBER 24 SERVICES | 9:30AM, 4:30PM, AND 11PM

We will worship together at three different services and invite you to join us for whichever one(s) make sense for you. We will have ONE joint service on Sunday morning at 9:30am, culminating the season of Advent, while we lean into the celebration of Jesus' birth. Our 4:30pm (vibrant) & 11pm (reflective) services will be rooted in Scripture, prayer, song, and the re-telling of Jesus' birth story. Nursery is available for children 3 years and younger for the 9:30am and 4:30pm services, and both of those services will be live-streamed.

#### CHRISTMAS OFFERING

The Mission Crew has designated a local and global partner for this year's offering:

- RCA's Lebanon Displacement Relief Project (rca.org/give/lebanondisplacement-relief-project/).
- Campus Ministry at Grand Valley State University (campusministry gv.com/who-we-are)

Use the QR code for a direct link to give to the Christmas Offering.



# O Antiphons | Advent 3

Isaiah 2:1-5 + 11:1,10 + Hebrews 1:3b-4 + 2:8b-9 + Rev. 15:3b December 17

Journal it. Ask a friend. Discuss it in a group.

**Reflect** | Who in your life thinks following Christ and/or belonging to Christ's Church isn't "for" them? How did they land there?

**Excavate** | Read Isaiah 2:1-5 + 11:1,10 + Hebrews 1:3b-4 + 2:8b-9 + Rev. 15:3b. Where else in the Scriptures is Christ presented as also "for" those who are outside?

**Interpret** | Why might people conclude that following Christ or belonging to the Church isn't for them? How might Christ speak to each of those reasons given the witness of the Scriptures?

**Examine** | Have you ever felt "outside" the faith or the Church? What was that like for you? How did Christ bring peace and restoration?

**Apply** | The pilgrimage of the nations that Isaiah describes in Isaiah 2 begins with repentance and restoration within the community of God's people. In what ways might God be calling you/us to shift your own heart, life, rhythms and practices, etc for the sake of those who don't yet know Christ and/or fellowship with his people?

**Invite** | What is one step you can take this week to help someone else discover that Christ and his Church is "for" them too?