Christian Reformed Church
of Pease
Pastor Michael Ten Haken
Sunday, December 14, 2014
Sunday Worship
9:30 a.m.
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We Enter Into the Presence of God
Opening Song: “The First Noel”
Welcome and God’s Greeting
Songs: “Ring Those Bells”
    “Christmas is Coming”
Lighting of the Love Advent Candle
Ministry Through Music: “When Love Was Born”
Intercessory Prayer
Offering Received for the (1) General Fund
    (2) Benevolent Fund
Song: “Redeeming Love”
Children’s Message: Beth Vander Plaats

We Listen to God’s Word and Celebrate the Lord’s Supper
Scripture: Isaiah 11:1-10 read by Isabel Byker
Sermon: Isaiah Tells of a Shoot. . .
Song: “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”
Celebration of the Lord’s Supper
    Distribution of the Elements—Choir
    “Come Dine With Me” - Words and Music by Paul Baertschi & Ruth Elaine Schram

We Are Blessed by God and Depart to Serve Him
God’s Departing Blessing
Closing Song: “There is a Redeemer”
WELCOME to worship on this third Sunday of Advent! As we await the celebration of the coming of our Savior to the world, may we prepare our hearts to joyfully share His message of love with others.

Today our series “Just as Isaiah foretold it...” continues as we focus on Isaiah 11:1-10 read by Isabel Byker. The message is entitled, “Isaiah Tells of a Shoot...” We also have the privilege of participating in Holy Communion this morning. May the Holy Spirit strengthen and encourage you as we worship him today. All guests among us who claim Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and are members in good standing of a Bible believing church that proclaim Jesus as Lord, are welcome to participate.

Next Sunday morning, December 21, the Sunday School children (and some teenagers) will lead us in worship in a Christmas Pageant, “Everybody Was Worried” where the prophets of old look down to see how their prophecies are being fulfilled. You will be reminded that God is working out everything according to His plan.

Next Sunday evening at 5:00 p.m. please join us for the Youth Group Candlelight Service. Invite your friends and family for this special evening. Dessert will be served after the program in the Fellowship Hall.

Your offerings next Sunday, December 21, will be received for our Youth Group.

Our worship service on Christmas Day will be begin at 10:00 a.m. An offering will be received for the Guatemala Action Project. This service will be broadcast on WQPM 1300-AM and WQPM 103.3-FM

Our Church Family
Congratulations to Sadie Tellinghuisen observing her 88th birthday today, December 14, and to Ed Winters celebrating his 92nd birthday on Thursday, December 18.
Praise the Lord for successful hip replacement surgery for Maxine Carlson. Please keep her in your prayers as she continues her recovery at the Elim Home.

We express our sympathy to Sylvia Timmer and family in the passing away of her brother-in-law, Dale Hubers from Michigan.

A HUGE thank you to our Greeters and Ushers who so faithfully greet and seat our members and guests each Sunday. If you would like to be a part of this ministry of welcoming, caring and hospitality, please contact Carol Smith, carol4j@hotmailcom or 508.685.4208.

World Renew Catalogs will be handed out at the end of our worship service today. The Outreach Team encourages you to use them for your gift giving this Christmas.

Sunday School: Our youth Sunday school participants will be practicing for their pageant after worship again today. Adult Sunday school will resume after Christmas.

DELICIOUS HOMEMADE GOODIES from the GEMS will be on sale in the Fireside Room following this morning's worship service. Items are available for purchase by free will donation. We will also be selling dishcloths in packages of three for $10.

Sound Board operators as asked to meet briefly following worship this morning to plan the 2015 schedule.

Sunday Night Live is tonight beginning at 5:00 p.m. with dinner. The Patience Household is asked to help serve.

Cadet shirts are ready for a large sewing project prior to our January 11 special awards meeting at which time all Cadets will receive their new shirts & kerchiefs with the merit badges they’ve earned and cadre rankings. All Junior and RPB Cadets kerchiefs will be collected tonight for the sewing of the badges. Parents should also provide the office with the $10 check for registration in the Cadet program - make check to Pease CRC. Cadets are also aware of the new point system put into place that provides incentive to be properly prepared for every meeting. If a Cadet is unable to attend a meeting he should notify his counselor no later than the Saturday before the meeting.
**Cheer Baskets** will be assembled and delivered Wednesday evening, December 17. This yearly ministry to our Elim Home members and shut-ins is being sponsored and organized by our youth groups, but they need your help. There is a sign-up sheet on the youth group bulletin board in the back of church. Please sign-up if you can help assemble or deliver or if you can bring in an item to fill up the baskets. (Please sign your name by the item you are willing to bring... When the slots are full, we have enough goodies!)

**Cheer Basket Cards:** We will also be delivering Christmas cards from our congregation with the Cheer Baskets. If you would like to write out cards for those receiving the Cheer Baskets, the names are listed below. Please have them back to church by the evening of the 17th with their names clearly marked on the envelope.

- Grace Benedict
- Grayce Hewitt
- Joyce Reiman
- Matt & Joanne Ruis
- Ron Van’t Hof
- Ed Winters
- Chris Schiebout
- Elsie Liepitz
- Adeline Nobel
- Jean Droogsma
- Richard & Jeanette Clark
- Marvin Schreur
- Melvin and Betty Droogsma
- Laurence Kiel
- Rena Top
- Teunis Stob
- John Cramer
- Ray Prince
- Ray & Sadie Tellinghuisen
- Jennie De Joode
- Jerome & Shirley Hanenburg
- Sylvia Ruis
- Marlin Ege
- Maxine Carlson

**GEMS** Christmas party is on Thursday, December 18, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. We're having a candy cane theme, so come dressed in red and white. Snacks will be provided but make sure you eat dinner before you come. Can't wait to see you there.

Anyone interested in playing **ROOK** is welcome to come to the Senior Center on Main Street in Milaca every Wednesday afternoon at 1:00. Please contact Ed Winters with questions.
Calendar for the Week

Sunday, December 14
9:30 a.m. Worship Service
10:50 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:50 a.m. Sunday School Christmas Program practice
10:50 a.m. GEM’s bake sale in the Fireside Room
10:50 a.m. Sound Board operators meet
5:00 p.m. Sunday Night Live

Wednesday, December 17
6:30 p.m. Rec Jr. & REC meet at church to assemble and deliver goodie plates followed by Candlelight Service practice.
7:00 p.m. Coffee Break

Thursday, December 18
10:00 a.m. Christmas Tea at the parsonage
6:00 p.m. GEMS Christmas Party at church

Advanced Notices
• December 21-Sunday School Pageant at 9:30 a.m.
  Candlelight Service at 5:00 p.m.
• Christmas Day Worship—10:00 a.m.

Opportunities To Serve This Week
Ushers Today & Next Week: Bud & Vonda Terpstra, Curt Nobel, Curt Bekius, Steve & Sandy Meixell
Greeters Today- West Door: Kevin & Mary Koppendrayer
  East Door: Chad Weirke & Miranda Caflisch
  Roving Greeter: Harlin & Lois Hanenburg
Greeters Next Week- West Door: Jeff & Jan Hanenburg
  East Door: Ed & Dorothy Hanenburg
  Roving Greeters: Merlin & Bev Koppendrayer

Nursery This Week: Ali Droogsma, Sandy Meixell, Griffin Boldt, Jaeger Ash
Nursery Next Week: Rhonda Moorlag, Jaime Pipkin, Sydney Halliburton, Zach Ten Haken
Worship Center Today: Jenny Santema  Greeter Today: Shane Lloyd
“The Magi Show the Way to Bethlehem” Luke 1:46

No Worship Center Next Week: Sunday School Christmas Pageant
Little Lambs Today: Bety De Boer “Jesus is Born!” Greet: Cole Patten
No Little Lambs Next Week: Sunday School Christmas Pageant

Sound Board Today: Jeff Hanenburg  Next Week: Tom Patten
Media Today: Linda Droogsma  Next Week: Stacy Patten

Blue Christmas Service next Sunday, December 21, 3:00 p.m.
Christmas is not always “the most wonderful time of year.” You are invited to Zion Lutheran Church next Sunday, on Dec. 21, along with brothers and sisters from Trinity Lutheran and Milaca United Methodist Church and the surrounding community for a time to remember, pray, and seek comfort together.

We will witness the light that shines in the darkness that the darkness cannot overcome. This service is for anyone for whom there is a note of sadness, depression, loss, or for whom the darkness is a real feeling.
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