

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

First Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE

ADVENT READING & CANDLE LIGHTING

(Chris & Samantha Porter)

SONG: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" *PsH #329:1,4*

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*GOD'S GREETING

*MUTUAL GREETING

*SONGS OF PRAISE:

"Lift Up the Gates Eternal" *v. 1,4,5*

"That Beautiful Name" *TCH #266:1,4*

**{Children 4 years old - 2nd grade are invited to join the
Worship Center leaders in the back during the last song}**

CHOIR: **We'll Welcome Him**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

DEACON'S PRAYER

OFFERING: *Major Improvement Fund*

OFFERTORY:..... **An Advent Acclamation**
Choir

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

ADVENT VIDEO: "The Prophet's Candle: Hope"

SCRIPTURE: Romans 8:18-25 (pg. 1757)

MESSAGE: **THE POWER OF HOPE**

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*SONG: "What Child Is This?" *TCH #281:1-3*

*PARTING BLESSING

*CLOSING SONG: "Angels from the Realms of Glory" *PsH #354:5*

*POSTLUDE

Pastor Tim Toeset, Worship Leader; Lori Hofstra, Organist

PsH=Psalter Hymnal (grey); TCH=The Celebration Hymnal (red)

**If you are able, please stand*

WELCOME to New Life Christian Reformed Church! We are glad you are here today! If you are a guest, please enjoy some coffee and fellowship after the morning service. We pray you will be blessed as you worship with us and that you experience the love of Christ among His people.

THIS MORNING, we welcome **PASTOR TIM TOESET** and thank him for leading our morning service. He served in the Christian Reformed Church for over 40 years in six congregations. He retired at the end of 2016 and moved to South Holland, IL.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY

MEMBER CARE COMMITTEE will meet today in Room 3 following the morning service.

GREETERS: Doug Van Til/Bob Wadkins/P.J. Wiltjer

NURSERY: Shelley Boender/Tamie Kuiper

SOUND OPERATOR: Joe Jacobs

POWERPOINT OPERATOR: Lilly Armendariz

ROVING ELDER: Bob Wadkins

DEACON'S PRAYER: P.J. Wiltjer

COFFEE & COOKIE SERVERS: Sam & Judy Van Til

NURSERY CARE is available during our morning worship service for children 0-3 years of age. The nursery is located on our main floor in the east wing of the church at the end of the hallway.

WORSHIP CENTER: Children's Church (**4 years old - 2nd grade**) meets in **Room 3**. Teachers will escort children there during the morning worship service (see order of worship).

EDUCATION HOUR: 10:45 - 11:45 AM

- **SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** (3rd - 8th grade) meets in **Room 4**.
- **SENIOR CATECHISM CLASS** (9th - 12th grade) meets in the **Old Nursery (basement)**.
- **ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** meets in the **Fireside Room**.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Marilyn Sodo (84)–12/3

Jim Wiersma–12/4

Pat Menninga–12/7

Benjamin Marshall–12/8

