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Welcome to Today's Worship Service

Song: Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Welcome/Announcements

Greeting Time

Advent Candle Lighting by the Troy & Kirsten

Bultema Family

Songs: Joy to the World

Sing We the Song of Emmanuel

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Time of Prayer

Offering

Kids Church Dismissal

Song: Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah)

Message **Prayer**

Song: My Soul Magnifies the Lord

Blessing

Offering: General Fund and CRC Publications

Online giving instructions can be found on our webpage,

communitychurchroselawn.com

December 24, 2023 Worship 9:30 AM

Preaching: Laryn Zoerhof **Scripture:** Galatians 4:1-7

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Message: God Sent His Son

Next Week: Andrew Earnshaw



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Offerings from 12-17-23

General: \$ 9,460.60 Weekly Budget: \$14,125.00

Kuyper College: \$123.00

Offerings Next Sunday: General Fund and

General Fund and Capital Improvements

Hearing loop equipped: Please switch your hearing aid to Telecoil "T" mode.



WELCOME to Community Church Roselawn A Place Where Lives are Transformed by Christ Through the Power of the Gospel

Welcome, Next Steps and Prayer cards can be found on seat backs. You may drop completed cards into the offering or at the Welcome Center.

Prayers

Our prayers and sympathies are extended to **Brian and Karen Rose** at the passing of their mother, Alice.

Please pray for **Jean Bultema** who will be having hip replacement surgery on December 29 at St. Anthony's.

The Hale, Tillema and Smith families would like to thank you for the prayers for Jerry's procedure. It went well and his heart is in rhythm.



Congratulation to the **Jeremy and Jeannie Bultema family** on the birth of Sutton Hope on December 15. "She was 9 lbs., 3 oz. and 19 inches long. Sutton is doing very well and her siblings are overjoyed that she is finally here."

Joni VanderWoude has an urgent need for afternoon, evening and weekend nurses and caregivers. Her dad, Jim Clark, has postponed his surgery due to a lack of caregivers. Your prayers are much appreciated. Questions? Call Joni at 219-898-0581.

Also, Joni's wound is not operable at this time. The plan is to use antibiotics to stop the infection. Please pray for this and caregivers.

Thank You!

Sunday school students sent Christmas letters to our missionaries. When Pastor Lloyd N'Gambi and his family received the letters from Kindergarten and High School students, he sent an immediate response:

"Thank you for these Christmas messages. As a family we appreciate just to be remembered like this. It is our first time to receive Christmas messages. Please extend our greetings and inform these children that we have been greatly encouraged by their messages. We wish them God's blessings."

Announcements

Join us for worship:

- Candlelight Service tonight, December 24 at 5pm This is our big, can't-miss Christmas celebration. Be sure to invite friends and neighbors to join us that night. Expect a moving time of worship, ending with carols by candlelight, and of course hot chocolate and cookies!
- Christmas Morning service at 9:30am. Our own Jim Piekarczyk will bring us the Christmas meditation.

Candlelight Cookies are due this morning in the café kitchen. Thank you to everyone that contributed.

Community Cookbooks are available. They make excellent gifts and stocking stuffers. See the cute display in the lobby. Suggested donation is \$5.

Dear CCRC family, While we are enjoying retirement so far, we miss you and look forward to seeing you on January 21!! We still thank God for you and remember you in our prayers. We wish you a blessed Christmas and a joy-filled new year!

Love, Jim and Brenda Busscher

Installation Sunday is January 14. Join us as we commission our new elders and deacons and thank our outgoing office bearers.

Kids Hope USA is getting started at Lincoln Elementary School! This program lets a student in need be mentored by you for an hour a week. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Sylvester or check the back of the bulletin.

Blessings to Lincoln School: There are still several items on the wish list created by Lincoln teachers that you can purchase, return the item to the office and we'll take it off of the list. Please label items with the teacher's name so we can deliver your gift to the correct classroom. Thank you! Gift tags are in the lobby.

The **Mobile Food Pantry** will be back in our area on February 9 at 10 AM. It is for anyone, not just Newton Co residents. If you can help that morning, please let Laura H know. Thank you.

Be a Small Groups Catalyst: We are looking for a small team interested in putting together short-term small groups for this January. This team, with support from the staff, would suggest study materials, recruit leaders, and offer signups. If you are passionate about small group ministry, please talk to a staff member today!

Snow Shovelers needed on call basis. If you can help shovel the sidewalks and sprinkle salt at the church doors, please add your name to be called and lend a hand by marking the back of the bulletin.

Wedding Coordinator needed: If you'd like to help the bride and groom get organized for weddings that take place at Community, tell them the do's and don't, and to open the church for them when they decorate and rehearse, this job is for you. See the office for details.



Monday: Coffee Break 9:15 AM (returns January 8)

Please don't forget to add your name for our next study on *The Gospel According to John*! We will learn how to "have life to the full" *beginning on January 10*. We need your name now to be sure to have your book.

Bloom Studies: The Gospel of John begins January 10

- -Tues @ 6:30 PM at Jo Vzs (begins January 9)
- -Wed @ 9 AM in the Café
- -Wed @ 6:30 PM at Marjie's

Sprouts: Wed @ 9 AM Experienced babysitting is available, as well as a preschool Bible class for ages 3 and up.

Thrive: Meets on BreakAway Wednesdays, in the Youth Group Portable, 6:30-

8 PM

Phil's Friends is a group that makes cards, blankets and care packages for those affected with cancer. They are in great need of women's fuzzy socks which are easy to find during Christmas time. They meet on Tuesdays, 10 AM to 4 PM. Come and go as you

please. See Tracy Sz if you have any questions. It's a great way to do good while having a good time.

Highlights of December 18 Council Meeting

1.The following men were elected to leadership on the Elder/Deacon teams and Council for 2024

Elected by the Pastoral Elders:

Pastoral Elder chair - Dan Koselke Pastoral Elder Clerk - Tim Coffer

Elected by Pastoral Deacons:

Pastoral Deacon Chair - John Hendon
Pastoral Deacon Benevolence Lead - Robert denDulk
Secretary of Deacons - Justin Goodman

Elected by Council:

Council Chairman - Mike Johnson Council VP - Steve Bos Clerk of Council - Mark Hubers Council Treasurer - Dan Hilarides Assistant Treasurer - Gerrit denDulk

- 2. Council approved a recommendation from the Deacons to accept the resignation of Josh Betz from the office of Deacon at Josh's request.
- 3. Council cast lots for filling the vacant position of Deacon. Drawing lots was between Dave Laud and Tim Bruinius, who were the two candidates approved by the Congregation. Dave Laud's name was drawn for a two year term.

January 20, 2024

FREE EVENT!!! Bring a potluck dish to share, wild or tame!

If you need a foil pan, they are available in the lobby.



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Doors Open at 4:00 PM

Dinner Begins at 5:00 PM

Silly Safari show at 6:00 PM

Volunteers are needed in the kitchen, for set-up and for clean up. If you are unable to donate your time but would like to support the event, you may donate to the door prize giveaways. Big or small, we give away gifts to children and adults. See Dan Koselke for details.



We will also be hosting a *free* DNR Hunter's Education Class at Community, taking place on Friday, January 19, 2024, 6:00-9:00 pm, and Saturday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm. You must pre-register online at the DNR website at https://register-ed.com/events/view/206179 and

attend both days to complete the certification. Space is limited. Attendees will need to bring a sack lunch on Saturday.

This Week at Community Church



Today, Sunday, December 24

Morning Worship in person 9:30 AM and livestreamed on Facebook & YouTube Kids Church

NO Sunday School 11 AM NO Youth Group 5 PM Candlelight Service 5 PM

> Monday, December 25 Office Closed

Tuesday, December 26 Office Closed

Next Sunday, December 31

Morning Worship in person 9:30 AM and livestreamed on Facebook & YouTube Kids Church

NO Sunday School 11 AM NO Youth Group 5 PM

2023 Elders: Jim Bykerk - Admin, Pres of Council. Mike Johnson - Admin. V P of Council. Steve Bos -Admin. Clerk of Council. Ken Jellema - Yellow Care Group, Bob Hamstra - Green, Dan Koselke - Purple, Henry Herr - White, Tim Coffer - Blue, Jake Dawson - Red

2023 Deacons: Eric Roosma - Admin, Treasurer, Dan Hilarides - Admin, Asst. Treas., Jake Prairie -Admin, John Hendon - Chairman of Deacons and Yellow Care Group, Jeff Lakin - Secretary and Green, Robert den Dulk - Benevolence Lead and White, Dustin Leyshon - Purple



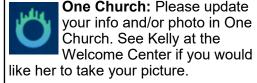
Jan 1: Office Closed Jan 10: BreakAway night Jan 14: Installation Sunday

Jan 20: Wild Game Dinner 5 PM Feb 9: Mobile Food Pantry 10 AM

Bulletin announcements are due Thursday morning by 9 AM.

Get Yourself Connected at Community Church Roselawn Galatians 4:1-7 I would like... to provide childcare help on BreakAway nights. ☐ to be a Small Groups Catalyst ☐ to be a Sunday morning greeter ☐ to be on the Missions Team ☐ to join the Worship Team c. The world conditions were right for his coming. ☐ to be a Kids Hope mentor to be called to shovel and salt the sidewalks at church 2. Paul tells us that " ☐ to help at the Wild Game Dinner I am a visitor. Please return to offering basket, Welcome Center or to the office mailbox.

Name	
Cell #	
Email	



Please add this dedicated One Church phone number to your cell ph contacts; 1 833-225-9450 It is Community Church Roselawn's number for texting



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Sermon Notes

God Sent His Son

- 1. Jesus was born " _____
- a. God decided in eternity to send his Son.
- b. God sent John the Baptist to prepare the way.
- a. Jesus was sent to perform a mission.
- b. Jesus came willingly to accomplish that mission.
- 3. Jesus was "_____
- a. God used a decree by Caesar Augustus to get Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem.
- b. God used angels to announce the arrival of Jesus to shepherds.
- c. God used a star to guide the wise men to Bethlehem
- 4. Jesus came "
- a. Through his perfect life and atoning death, Jesus opened the door to let all the adopted children in.
- b. "To all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God." (John 1:12)