

**HAWARDEN CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**

**Sunday, December 22, 2024**

**The Weekly Calendar**

**Sunday, December 22, 2024**

10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship Service

11:15 a.m. – High School Catechism

6:00 p.m. – Evening Worship Service

**Tuesday, December 24, 2024**

8:00 p.m. – Newsletter items due

**Wednesday, December 25, 2024**

9:30 a.m. – Christmas Worship Service

**Offering:**

December 22: AM, Union Gospel Mission

PM, Denominational Ministry Shares

December 29: AM, Youth for Christ

PM, New Roots Ministry

**Music:**

December 22: Donna O. Song Leader, Dave D.

December 25: Sharon B.

December 29: Sharon B. Song Leader, Pete D.

**Greeters:**

December 22: Bill & Nancy K., Al & Janna K.

December 25: Lou & Gloria K., Dave & Tami N.

December 29: Gene & Cheryl B., Lyle & Loretta M.

**Sound:** Dave

**Projectionist:** Tami

**WELCOME**

**A warm welcome** is extended to all who enter this place to worship the King of kings and Lord of lords. A special welcome to all visitors, may God bless you as you spend time worshipping with us today.

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

I appreciate the phone calls, prayers, and cards sent on the loss of my sister, Nelma. It is good to know that I have a church family who truly cares. ~ Gert Kruid

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We welcome** Mr. Mark Tiemersma to lead our worship services today.

**Please join us** for dessert and coffee after the morning service to show our appreciation and say farewell to Mark and Heather.

**Christmas Day Worship** service begins at 9:30 AM.

**Groundwork: Jesus: Our Prince of Peace** - As we celebrate Christmas, join Groundwork as we study Isaiah 9:6, Psalm 137, Isaiah 49:6, Isaiah 53:4-12, Ephesians 2:14-19, and Luke 2:1-21 to discover the deep and meaningful shalom Jesus brought to us in his birth, that he promises to establish permanently when he returns, and how we can be his agents of peace in our world here and now. Listen at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

*Hawarden Christian Reformed Church  
The Lord's Day – December 22, 2024  
Morning Worship Service—10:00 a.m.*

*"This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." - Psalm 118:24*

*We Rejoice in God's Presence*

Prelude

\* Call to Worship – Psalm 98

\* God's Greeting

\* We Greet One Another

\* Praise Team: *"Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)"*

Verse 1 - Joy to the world the Lord is come.

Let earth receive her King.

Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,

And heav'n and nature sing,

And heav'n and nature sing,

And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

Verse 2 - Joy to the world the Savior reigns.

Let all their songs employ,

While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

Chorus - Joy, unspeakable joy!

An overflowing well,

No tongue can tell!

Joy, unspeakable joy!

It rises in my soul,

Never lets me go!

Verse 3 - He rules the world with truth and grace,

And makes the nations prove

The glories of His righteousness

And wonders of His love,

And wonders of His love,

And wonders wonders of His love.

**(Chorus)**

CCLI Song # 5607039

Chris Tomlin | Ed Cash | George Frideric Handel | Isaac Watts | Matt Gilder

CCLI License # 1304998

*"What A Glorious Night"*

**Interlude**

Verse 1 - The shepherds came to see the baby,  
Stood by His mother's side.

Here laid the Savior inside a manger.

Oh, what a glorious night!

Oh, what a glorious night!

Chorus - I hear the angels singin' "Hallelujah!

Let the earth receive her King."

I know that love has come; sing it out:

Jesus Christ is born!

Jesus Christ is born

Verse 2 - The shepherds wondered; they couldn't hide it,

Told ev'ryone in sight.

All were amazed when they heard how God came

Down on the glorious night!

God came down on this glorious night! **CHORUS**

**Bridge** - Glorious, glorious, what a glorious night!

Glorious, glorious, what a glorious night! **CHORUS**

Verse 3 - All is calm now, all is quiet;

A star shining in the sky.

Below, in Bethlehem, the King is sleeping.

Oh, what a glorious night!

Oh, what a glorious night!

CCLI Song # 7002651

Ben McDonald | Casey Brown | David Frey | Jonathan Smith

CCLI License # 1304998

*Celebrating Advent*

Fourth Sunday in Advent

Leader: Prepare the way of the Lord. We light this candle in love, the love that  
Jesus, our Savior, has for us.

People: Prepare, then, the way of the Lord.

Advent Song: PH #351: 1-3 *"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"*

*We Are Reconciled to God*

Call to Confession – Titus 3:3

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon – Titus 3:4-8

### We Respond with Prayers and Offerings

Hymn of Thanksgiving: LUYH #70: 1, 2, 5 “On Jordan’s Bank  
the Baptist’s Cry”

1 On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry announces that the Lord is nigh. Awake and harken, for he brings glad tidings of the King of kings!  
2 Then cleansed be every life from sin: make straight the way for God within, and let us all our hearts prepare for Christ to come and enter there.  
5 All praise to you, eternal Son, whose advent has our freedom won, whom with the Father we adore, and Holy Spirit, evermore.

Guide for Grateful Living – Titus 2  
Congregational Prayer  
Offering: Union Gospel Mission  
(collected in the back)

### We Hear the Word of God

\* Hymn for Illumination: LUYH #85: 1, 3 “Silent Night! Holy Night”  
1 Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright ’round yon virgin mother and child! Holy infant, so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.  
3 Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, love’s pure light, radiant beams from thy holy face with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth! Jesus, Lord, at thy birth!

Scripture: Luke 1:67-80  
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.  
Congregation: Thanks be to God!  
Sermon: “The Glorious Love of God”  
Prayer

\* Hymn of Application: PH #568: 1-3 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

### We Go Out to Serve

\* God’s Benediction  
\* Closing Hymn: LUYH #60: 1, 4 “Hark, the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes”  
1 Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes, the Savior promised long! Let every heart prepare a throne, and every voice a song.  
4 Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace, your welcome shall proclaim, and heaven’s eternal arches ring with your beloved name.

Postlude

### *Hawarden Christian Reformed Church The Lord’s Day – December 22, 2024 Evening Worship Service—6:00 p.m.*

“This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.” - Psalm 118:24

### Come, Let Us Worship

Prelude  
\* Call to Worship – Psalm 95: 1-7  
\* God’s Greeting  
\* We Greet One Another  
\* Song Service led by Dave D.

### In Prayer and Dedication

Congregational Prayer  
Offering: Denominational Ministry Shares  
(Collected in the back)

### At God’s Feet

\* Hymn for Illumination: PH #471: 1-4 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”  
Scripture: Genesis 50  
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.  
Congregation: Thanks be to God!  
Sermon: “A Final Look at Genesis”  
Prayer  
\* Hymn of Application: PH #214 “Glory to God”

### With Heartfelt Dedication

\* Apostles’ Creed (pg. 813)  
\* God’s Benediction  
\* Doxology: PH #316: 1, 2, 4 “God Be with You Till We Meet Again”  
1 God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.  
2 God be with you till we meet again; ’neath his wings protecting hide you, daily manna still provide you: God be with you till we meet again.  
4 God be with you till we meet again; keep love’s banner floating over you, smite death’s threatening wave before you: God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude