

This Week

Wed. CADETS Christmas Party 6:30 pm
JAM 6:30 pm

Sat. Jr. JAM Christmas Party (See below for details)

Next Sunday

8:45 AM Sunday School – No Jr. High Sunday School

10:00 AM Morning Worship followed

with Congregational Meeting

5:30 PM Candlelight Service – Communion

Offerings: AM – General PM - Missions

Ministry Servers: 12/17

AM Accompanist: Tami Grenwaldt

PM Accompanist: Aimee TeBrake

AM & PM Power Point: Karisa Wubben

Sound: Josh Bestge

AM Video: Tyler Wubben

Nursery: Micah Groen, Ellie Greenwaldt, Isaac Asche

Library: Marge Groen & Florence Visser

Ushers: Cory Erickson & Ken Blom

AM Greeters: Craig & Kelli Blom (E)

Bennett & Deb Bonnema (W)

Jr. JAM Christmas Party: We will be going to Andes Tower Hills near Alexandria to snow tube. We plan to leave Raymond CRC at 8:20 am on Sat., Dec. 16th and return to Raymond CRC approximately at 5 pm. Students need: warm winter clothing, \$8 for admission, money for their noon meal and snacks are optional. Supper will be covered by Jr. JAM. RSVP ASAP to Garrett.

WE WORSHIP AND PRAISE OUR GOD

Welcome to our Worship Service at *Raymond Christian Reformed Church*.

Anyone desiring spiritual counseling or experiencing a family crisis, please contact the Pastor or an Elder at any time.

There is a nursery in the West hallway with attendants present for childcare. Please sign in and out your child. If you are needed in the nursery, your child's number will appear on the power point screen.

Offerings: AM – General PM - Missions

Ministry Servers: 12/10

AM Accompanist: Aimee TeBrake

PM Accompanist: Cindy Ammermann

AM Power Point: Meg Feikema

Sound: Clark Feikema

AM Video: Levi Post

Nursery: Karisa Wubben, Andrew Roelofs, Seth Groen

Library: Marge Groen & Florence Visser

Ushers: Cory Erickson & Ken Blom

AM Greeters: Matt & April Beerman (E)

Josh & Jamie Bestge (W)

Welcome to Raymond CRC! Adam and Stephanie Vogel has transferred their membership to Raymond CRC from Shalom Lutheran Church, Harrisburg, SD.

A box has been placed on the Narthex table if you'd like to contribute toward a Christmas Appreciation Gift to Pastor Jim and Winnie.

WE CARE ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayers & Praises

- Continuing health concerns & recovery: *Tim Stutelberg, Sharon Blom, Fred Grussing, Cindy Mithun, Camie Fernholz, George Parker, Randy Slagter, and Jeff Brown.*
- Our condolences to Vivian Blom and Larry and Norma Blom in the unexpected death of their Grandson and Nephew, Peter Anderson, who passed away on Sun., Dec. 3rd in St. Paul from an asthma attack.
- Congratulations to Wilma Boonstra on the birth of her 10th Great-Grandchild, Dieks (pronounced Dirks) Stanley Palmer who was born Sat., Dec. 2nd to AJ & Ashley Palmer of Moose Lake, MN. Dieks weighed 8 lbs, 10 ½ oz, 21 in. Grandparents: Tim & Kathi Beseman.
- Prayer for our shut-ins, as well as others not mentioned in our church family who struggle with physical, mental, or spiritual needs.

Raymond CRC Family Prayer List

Doug & Karin Asche (Isaac & Caleb)

Merlyn & Helen Beekman

Matt & April Beerman (Melanie, Derrick & Carson)

Thank you to those who help support the Mitten Tree. Your mitten gift is due back to church by Sun., Dec. 10th.

Notes of encouragement, prayers, etc. for Pastor Aaron and Michelle Greydanus may be sent to 6344 Adam St., Zeeland, MI 49464.

Raymond CRC's **Congregational Meeting** will be held on **December 17th** following the morning worship service.

Council Voting: Elders up for Election: Bennett Bonnema, Tim Minter, Todd Post and Clyde Slagter. To Vote Elders: please **elect a minimum of 2 - but you may vote for up to 4.** Deacons up for Election: Matt Beerman, Clark Feikema, Brad Greenwaldt and Adam Olson. To Vote for Deacons, please **elect a minimum of 2 - but may vote for up to 4.**

Ladies Aid will have price reduced un-scriptured Christmas cards available on the table by the library.

Thank you to those who helped pack meals during the Food for Kidz event held in November at Raymond CRC. We packed a total of 31,000 meals.

Sunday School update:

- There will be no JR. High Sunday School until Sun., Jan. 7th.
- Elementary Christmas Program practice will be on Wed., Dec. 20th from 6:30-7:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

The Clara City Lions Parks Project committee invites you to come out and support "Tip Night" at Pizza Ranch in Willmar on **Wed., Dec. 13th from 5 – 7:30 p.m.** We appreciate your support. The two parks will be worked on in 2018.

The Renville County Choir Christmas Concert will be held on Sun., Dec. 10th at 2 pm at Emden CRC in Renville. They will be performing the cantata "*And It Came To Pass...Emmanuel*". Enjoy the Christmas music and stay for fellowship and coffee following the concert. A free-will offering will be collected for the Renville County Food Shelf and Santa's Closet.

Unity CRC invites you to a Football Family Fun Night with FREE food on Sat., Dec, 23rd. Doors will open at 6:30pm with the **VIKINGS versus PACKERS** game starting at 7:30pm shown on the big screen in the Fellowship area. Hot dogs, nachos, Pizza Ranch chicken, popcorn, root beer floats, water and pop will be provided. Wear your favorite football fan apparel and cheer on the game or come just for fellowship! Kids games will be included.

The MAC-PAC Backpack Program sends sincere thanks for your generous peanut butter donations. There were a total of 189 jars collected. That will make a LOT of peanut butter sandwiches!

Sympathy cards for Peter Anderson's family may be mailed to Jon & Sue Anderson, 999 Roma Ave, Roseville, MN 55113.

Plans are underway for the CMCS New York Mission Trip happening in March. The Juniors and Seniors are fundraising and selling homemade bars, coffee and hot chocolate at home basketball games. Check out the delicious treats and support the Mission Team.