

ANNOUNCEMENTS • DECEMBER 14, 2025

December 14 - December 20

Sunday

- 9 a.m. - Children's & Youth Program Rehearsal
- 9 a.m. - "Over the Coffee" meets downstairs
- 10 a.m. - Worship Service

Tuesday

- 12:30 p.m. - Staff Meeting

Wednesday

- Noon - **Bulletin Deadline**

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY

- Fourth Sunday of Advent
- 10 a.m. - Worship Service



UPCOMING SERVICE TIMES:

- **Sunday, December 21** - 10 a.m. Service
- **Wednesday, December 24** - 5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. *Bring a Bell to Ring!*
- **Sunday, December 28** - 10 a.m. Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN will return on Sunday, January 11.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT CEDAR HEIGHTS will return on Wednesday, January 14.

OVER THE COFFEE - Join us Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. This group, while showing its "grey," welcomes all ages for intergenerational discussions and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you!

SUNDAY SUPPER - Starting the first Sunday in December and every month the Gift of Life Church, which shares the building with First Presbyterian in Waterloo, will be the host church for Sunday Supper having experience working with the food bank at their previous site. Therefore, the Presbyterian churches will only be staffing and cooking the 2nd through the 5th Sundays. See the sign-up board in the Commons for open times to volunteer. Please help if you can.

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Tiffany Mensing
Guitarist

At Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church, we believe in the centrality and power of prayer. You may put a request on our prayer list by emailing the church office at office@cedarheightspres.org. If you would like your name removed from the list, please inform the church office.

PRAYERS FOR the people of the Middle East, Ukraine, Russia, Bihembe, Rwanda & Makantakita, Nicaragua; for those currently serving in the military; and for all facing surgery, difficulty, or times of great challenges.

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE who has submitted their pledge for 2026. We are currently at 82% of our goal. For those who have not yet turned in their pledge, we request you do so as soon as possible. We will be following up soon with those we do not hear from. Again, thank you all for your generosity. *The Stewardship Committee*

REMINDER - All 2025 contributions MUST be dated in 2025 and received in the church office no later than noon on Monday, December 29, in order to be posted to this year.

PLEASE JOIN US for coffee and treats in the commons following the service during the winter months. *The Membership & Growth Committee*

OLD OR BROKEN CHRISTMAS LIGHTS - In order to keep unused Christmas lights out of the landfill, we are requesting that you place them in the box located in the Commons, and they will be taken to be recycled. **Final date for collection is TODAY.** Thank you for your kindness. *Happy Holidays from the Green Iowa team at the Center for Energy & Environmental Education at UNI.*

RAISE THE ROOF! Did you know that our roof over the Christian Education wing is over 30 years old? Our insurance company will no longer give us coverage for the roof because of its age. Therefore, we need to replace it in the next three to five years. A new roof will cost \$65,000. **As of December 1, we have raised \$53,175.**

- Do you know someone who deserves a thank you for what they have done for the church? **Make a Tribute Contribution to the "Roof Fund".**
- Have you lost a loved one? **Make a Memorial Contribution to the "Roof Fund".**
- Maybe you need an end of year tax deduction? **Make an undesignated gift to the "Roof Fund".**

Make your check out to CHCPC and put **Roof Fund in the memo.** The Tribute, Memorial and Endowment Committee has allocated \$10,000 to the roof replacement.

SNOW SHOVELERS NEEDED! The B&G Committee needs volunteers to help with light snow removal at the entrance & sidewalk on Sunday mornings and some weekdays. Please sign up in the Commons. Thank You!

A Night in Bethlehem!

Adapted from a play by Sharon Kay Chatwell

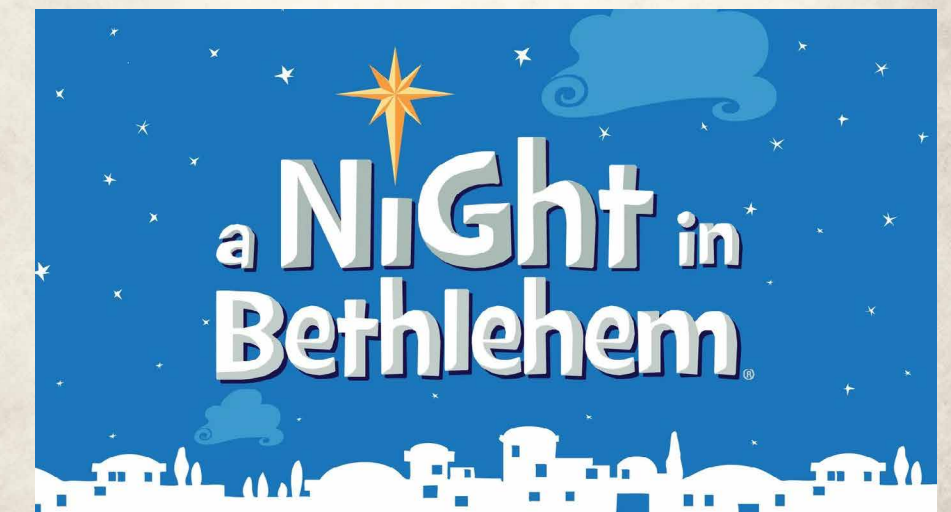
Mary - June Elgersma
Angel #1 - Anna Newcomb
Angel #2 - Gwen Droste
Joseph - Matthew Loy
Innkeeper - Elijah Newcomb
Shepherd #1 - Jaysik Baber
Shepherd #2 - Owen Hepler
Wisewoman #1 - Mia Frost
Wisewoman #2 - Eden Droste
Wisewoman #3 - Lauren Droste



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A place for everyone.

DECEMBER 14, 2025 - 10:00 AM
Third Sunday of Advent
Children & Youth Service



"A Night in Bethlehem!"

Matthew 11:2-11
Isaiah 35:1-10

WELCOME

Child care is provided in our nursery at the end of the hall on the second floor. The nursery is for infants and children through four years old. Brinkerhoff Lounge is also open for parents with children.



Welcome and Announcements Ruby Fromm

Gathering Music "Angels We Have Heard on High" Luke Stalnaker, piano

Lighting of Advent Wreath Derek & Dylan Peters

One: God's messengers said it best: Good tidings of great joy for all the people ... not just a select or worthy few. Today, we light the candle of joy—and we do so firmly believing that Christ's light and joy extends to everyone made in God's image.

All: As we light our third Advent candle, we recognize the weeping that carries in the night. We celebrate the coming of joy in the morning; and we know the dawn of Christ is breaking.

Advent Scripture and Prayer Corbin Frost

*Opening Hymn - 82 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Call to Confession Maya McNally

Prayer of Confession Raleigh Parker

Faithful God, your promise is forever true, your care for us is sure. We confess that we have often believed we will have to take care of ourselves, forgetting your promise and your call. We look at the world, and we choose fear rather than hope, peace, joy, and love. When it seems life is unraveling, we look for ways to defend ourselves and ensure our security and our desire, rather than following your way. Forgive us, Lord, and give us courage to follow you in the face of uncertainty. [Silent confession] Amen.

God's Forgiveness Marissa Garrett

*Response to Pardon - 113 [Refrain] "Angels We Have Heard on High" Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

*Sharing God's Peace Bryant Schultz

Special Music "O Holy Night" Elder Anna Brodahl, clarinet

Prayer for Illumination Addy Westhoff

New Testament Lesson Matthew 11:2-11 Elder Marie Darst

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 35:1-10 Harrison Fromm

Message for Children (and children at heart) Delaney Garrett & Jasmine Elgersma

Message from Children "A Night in Bethlehem!" "There Was a Little Baby" - CHCPC Children

Sharing of Prayer Concerns Dr. Dave Kivett

Call to Prayer - Hymn 347 "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand, Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

A Time of Silence

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering Ourselves to God Claire Stalnaker

Offering in Song "Silent Night" Jasmine Elgersma, piano

*Response - Hymn 606 "Doxology"

*Prayer of Dedication Ava Stalnaker

*Closing Hymn - 100 "Canticle of the Turning"

*Blessing and Sending Jovie Parker

*Sending Music "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" Jackson Baber, piano

*Please Rise, in Body or in Spirit

Greeter Alicen Schultz Ushers Matthew Brodahl Cade & Camden Frost

Camera & Soundboard Randy Darst

PowerPoint Kim Loy



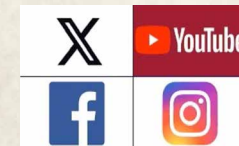
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A place for everyone.

We are so glad you chose to worship with us!

If this is your first visit, we look forward to meeting you and getting to know you. Please be sure to sign in on this Bulletin Stub and leave your contact information so we can welcome you! (Please tear off this stub and place in offering plate.) We can also add you to our weekly eNEWS list so you know what is coming up in worship and in the life of the church.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone (____) ____-_____

E-mail _____

First Time Guest Return Guest Member

Regular Attendee [Non-member]

Here for Special Occasion Only

This is a change in my contact information

I'd like to receive the weekly eNewsletter

I heard about CHCPC from:

Driving by Friend/Family New Resident

Other _____

I wish...

I were a member

A Pastor would call on me

I was on the e-mail list

We'd sing hymn # _____

or the song _____

A Pastor would call on...

(name) _____

who is ill, a prospective member, other

Pastor/congregation would pray for:
