



## OUR MISSION

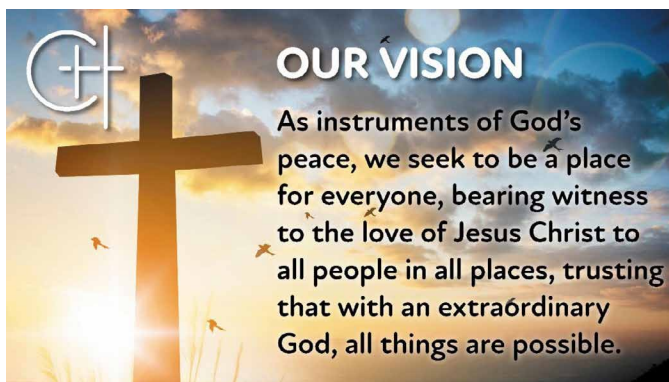
Grounded in grace, we are called by God into fellowship as disciples of Jesus Christ and sent into the world to love and serve our neighbors.

**Welcome to Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church!** We are glad that you are here to worship with us on this holy night. Please join us in person every Sunday for worship at 10 a.m. or livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/@cedarheightspres/streams> We pray you may feel the presence of Christ in you and that you may come to a deeper understanding of your calling as a disciple of Jesus Christ. God Bless You and Merry Christmas.

**As the year draws to a close**, you may want to consider ways of contributing to your church and reducing your income taxes at the same time. You could make a gift to the operating fund budget of the church, to a designated program, or to an endowment fund. In addition, you may make a gift of appreciated stock directly to the church or through any one of a number of charitable gift planning instruments.

**Children are encouraged to help in acting out the Christmas story. Costumes are available in Brinkerhoff Lounge.**

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## OUR VISION

As instruments of God's peace, we seek to be a place for everyone, bearing witness to the love of Jesus Christ to all people in all places, trusting that with an extraordinary God, all things are possible.

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Alto Section Leader

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Tenor Section Leader

**Aidan Leahy**  
Bass Section Leader

**Tiffany Mensing**  
Guitarist



Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church

A place for everyone.

DECEMBER 24, 2025  
Christmas Eve  
5:30 PM



**"Exceeding Expectations"**

Dr. Dave Kivett

# WELCOME

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A WORD OF WELCOME		Rev. Johnny Janssen
PRELUDE	"Divinum Mysterium"	Wilbur Held
	Hugh Brown	
LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH		Loy Family
One:	Lighting a candle is a simple yet profound act. It is a testimony to the power of light over darkness. Today we light the Advent candles of hope, peace, joy and love at the beginning of our worship. Later in the service, in the darkness, we welcome the light of one more candle, the Christ candle.	
<b>All:</b>	<b>As that candle will shine in the darkness, we rejoice because Jesus, the Light of the World, is born. And we await his coming in glory; for we know that Jesus brings us hope, peace, joy, and love, now and forever.</b>	
ADVENT SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER – Romans 13:11-12		
*CAROL - 133 v. 1, 3, 4		"O Come, All Ye Faithful"
THE FIRST LESSON	Isaiah 9:2, 6-7	Pew Bible OT Page 638
THE SECOND LESSON	Isaiah 11:1-9	Pew Bible OT Page 640
*CAROL - 123 v. 1, 4, 5		"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"
THE THIRD LESSON	Matthew 1:18-25	Pew Bible NT Page 1
CAROL - 145 <i>(please remain seated)</i>		"What Child Is This"
THE FOURTH LESSON	Luke 1:26-35, 38	Pew Bible NT Page 56
ANTHEM	"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"	Arr. Howard Helvey
	Sanctuary Choir	
THE FIFTH LESSON	Luke 2:1-7	Pew Bible NT Page 58
*CAROL - 119		"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"
THE SIXTH LESSON	Luke 2:8-20	Pew Bible NT Page 58
	<i>Children, as shepherds and angels, are asked to come forward to help act out the Christmas story.</i>	

\*CAROL - 113 "Angels We Have Heard on High"  
*(please ring bells on "Glor-ia in excelsis Deo")*

THE SEVENTH LESSON Matthew 2:1-12 Pew Bible NT Page 2  
*Children, as wise ones from the east, are asked to come forward to help act out the Christmas story.*

SERMON "Exceeding Expectations" Dr. Dave Kivett

\*CAROL - 134 "Joy to the World"

CHRISTMAS OFFERING "O Holy Night" Adolphe Adam  
Jordyn Beranek

\*UNISON PRAYER

**Great God, as you came at night when all was still, so enter our lives this night. Illumine our paths with the light of Christ's presence, that we may clearly see the way before us, the truth to speak, and the life to live for him, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

ENTRANCE OF THE CHRIST CANDLE & SPREADING THE LIGHT  
Acolytes - Cade & Camden Frost

CAROL - 122 *(please remain seated)* "Silent Night, Holy Night!"  
*As we begin this carol, the acolytes will light the candles of the first person in each pew. The light will then be passed from person to person, representing the sharing of Christ's light with the world. (Please hold lit candle upright; tilt only the unlit candle.)*

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| 1. Silent night, holy night!<br>All is calm, all is bright,<br>Round yon Virgin Mother and Child!<br>Holy Infant so tender and mild,<br>Sleep in heavenly peace,<br>Sleep in heavenly peace.        | 3. Silent night, holy night!<br>Son of God, love's pure light<br>Radiant beams from Thy holy face,<br>With the dawn of redeeming grace,<br>Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,<br>Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth. |
| 2. Silent night, holy night!<br>Shepherds quake at the sight,<br>Glories stream from heaven afar,<br>Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia;<br>Christ, the Savior is born,<br>Christ, the Savior is born." | 4. Silent night, holy night!<br>Wondrous star, lend thy light;<br>With the angels let us sing,<br>Alleluia to our King;<br>Christ the Savior is born,<br>Christ the Savior is born.                 |

\*CHRISTMAS BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE "Silent Night" - Joel Raney Hugh Brown

\*Please Rise, in Body or in Spirit

### Greeters & Ushers

Ackerman Family  
Loy Family  
Peters Family

### Participants

Dr. Dave Kivett  
Rev. Johnny Janssen  
Jordyn Beranek  
Hugh Brown  
Mitchell Darst  
Kyle Westhoff  
Rev. Dr. Leah Elrod  
Jackson Baber

### Camera & Soundboard

Randy Darst



Synod of  
Lakes & Prairies



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### 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:

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