

WELCOME! We're glad you're here and have decided to join us today!

**For the second week of Advent, our theme is joy.
We will use scripture to understand
why "joy" is different from "happiness" and
why the coming of the Christ
means we have an ultimate reason for joy!**

TEACHER: Pastor Garry Nyenhuis

SCRIPTURE: Luke 2:8-14

SERMON SUMMARY: As we look at Luke 2:8-14, get curious about some things, for instance:

- *Have you ever had a job or had to do a task that you really didn't want to do? What was it, and why didn't you want to do it?
- *What was your attitude during the job or task?
- *Is it possible to have JOY, even during a difficult time?
- *Why do you think the Angel referred to Jesus as SAVIOR? Why Messiah? Why Lord?
- *Have you ever expected something as a sure thing, only to have it turn out completely different? What was your attitude when that happened?
- *Is it possible for JOY not to be based on a moment, but instead to be something deeper? How? What are some tangible ways for you to hold on to JOY, even in the darkest moments?

NOTES:

OUR FAMILY

You are invited to Donuts with the Pastor following worship today. Anyone who has questions about LW or just wants to meet/get acquainted with the Pastor is welcome to stop by the Infant Care Room located right outside the Worship Center.

Next Sunday (16th) the Children 5 yrs-5th grade will be participating in the worship service with songs and verses they have learned. **Parents, please have children meet in the JAM room at 9:15am next Sunday.**

Genesis House Christmas Angel Tree - To bless a family living at The Genesis House at Christmas time, please choose a tag(s) from the Christmas Angel Tree which is located in the church lobby area. **Place your label on the purchased gift and return the items to the tree by Thursday, December 20.** If you have any questions, please contact Gina Roberson at tblifeskills@gmail.com.

If you'd like to share your holiday wishes with the entire congregation, send your card to Donna at secretary@livingwateroc.com. Your card will be part of a picture slideshow.

TODAY	THIS WEEK
9:30am COFFEE SHOPPE	Wed, Dec 12
10:00am WORSHIP	6:50pm - Cadets - meets at OC Calvary CRC
Lighting of Advent candle	7:00pm - Overflow (OC)
JOY	Thurs, Dec 13
10:20am LITTLE TREASURES	7:00pm - Men's Bible Study
3-5 yr olds time to worship God	meets at Scott VanDeBerg home
meets in Upper Room	1346 7th St NE Sioux Center. For more info
watch for dismissal slide	contact Scott at vandebergscott@gmail.com or
If you missed check-in prior to worship for Little Treasures or JAM, stop by the table in the lobby area with your child.	712-441-000
11:00am STAY AND PRAY	
SW corner of the Worship Center	
11:00am Donuts with the Pastor	
Meeting in Infant Care Room	
11:10am JAM Praise & Worship	
5 yrs-5th gr	
Meets in the JAM room	
next to kitchen	
Christmas program practice	
Sunday School small groups follow	
5 yrs-1st gr - meets upstairs	
2nd gr-5th gr - meets on main floor	
12:00 dismissal	
Parents pick up children from their classrooms	

CALENDAR BEYOND THIS WEEK

Mon, Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Services

6:00pm - Sheldon Campus
6:30pm - OC Campus

Sun, Jan 6 - Marriage Builders Class beginning at the Sheldon campus and then meeting every Sunday for 8 weeks, right after the morning service. For more info or to sign up, e-mail Pamela at pamelia.bedelia@yahoo.com.

INFANTS

NURSERY: Nursery is available throughout the service for newborns thru 2 years
The nursery is located near the Welcome Center in the front lobby area.

INFANT CARE ROOM: A room is available throughout the service for parents with young children. This space is designed for parents to sit with babies or small children for privacy; this room will not be supervised by volunteers.
The infant care room is located right outside the worship area near the stairway.

CHILDREN

Children's Church Bags are available for younger attendees at the Welcome Center in the lobby area. Following worship, please return the bags and contents to the Welcome Center.

LITTLE TREASURES: A time to worship God for 3-5 year olds; meets during the worship service in the Upper Room. Watch for announcement slide for dismissal (OC)

JAM: "Jesus And Me" 5 yrs-5th gr - Praise and Worship meets 10 min after the morning service in the JAM room next to the kitchen; small group Sunday School follows. Dismissal 12:00pm Parents pick up children in classrooms. (OC)

YOUTH

WAVE: 6th-8th grade. Meets following the Sunday morning service in the large classroom in the SW corner of the lobby. Dismisses at 12:00noon (OC)

OVERFLOW: 9th-12th grade. Meets from 7:00-8:30pm on Wednesday (OC)

GEMS: Girls 3rd-8th grade. Meets from 6:45-8:30pm @ Immanuel CRC (OC)
Wednesday evenings 2x a month

CADETS: Boys 4th-8th grade. Meets from 6:50-8:45pm @ Calvary CRC (OC)
Wednesday evenings 2x a month

ADULTS/FAMILIES

STAY AND PRAY: Group of people gathering after the worship service in the SW corner of the Worship Center. For more info, contact Kim Groeneweg at skgroen@yahoo.com

COLLEGE AND CAREER GROUP: Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 8:30pm at Nyenhuis home - 316 Boston Ave NE Orange City. For more info contact Sandra at sandranyenhuis@live.com or 952-807-3063

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Meets every other Thursday at 7:00pm
at Scott VanDeBerg home 1346 7th St NE Sioux Center. For meeting dates or more info contact Scott at vandebergscott@gmail.com or 712-441-0005

OPPORTUNITIES - PLEASE CONTACT SUE DYKSTRA

1susandykstra@gmail.com or 712-360-0650

In need of:

Small Group Substitute Sunday School teacher(s) for the following date(s):
Dec. 16 – 11:30 to 12:00 for 2nd/3rd Grade
Jan. 6 – 11:30 to 12:00 for 2nd/3rd Grade
Feb. 17 – 11:30 to 12:00 for 4th Grade

Children's Nativity set that you would be willing to donate or lend to LW for the months of Dec/Jan/Feb. Please let Sue know if you have a set LW could borrow, keep, or even if you'd be willing to purchase and donate to our Children's Ministry.