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

Tomorrow - Christmas Eve Services

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

This Sunday we focus on the theme of LOVE, the fourth Advent theme.

TEACHER: Pastor Garry Nyenhuis

SCRIPTURE: Luke 2:6-7 and 1 John 4:8

SERMON SUMMARY: Using the passages in Luke and 1 John, we will look at God as the source of love, remembering that the ultimate show of love is to show up!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

As you think about God's love, use these discussion questions and ideas to go deeper!

- 1. Do you see love as an outcome? Do you see love as a reason? Explain why.
- 2. How or when do you experience God's love the clearest?
- 3. What is a way for you to tangibly show the love of God to someone else this season?

NOTES:

OUR FAMILY

Cameron and Kari Mulder are excited to announce the birth of their daughter, Meysa Nicole, born December 17. She is welcomed home by big brother, Lincoln.

Please lift up the families who are grieving the loss of a loved one. May these families know the grace and hope that our faithful Father provides in their grief.

Ronda (Brad) and Nancy (Mike) Van Surksum following the death of their father, Eugene Ruisch.

April Sunday's family following the death of April's father, John Apon.

Renee Noteboom had surgery on a carotid artery this past Thursday. Please pray that the surgery was successful and as she recovers.

James and Ashley Bierman request prayers for their son, Colby. Colby has been fighting respiratory illnesses of different sorts since birth and is currently sick with croup. They also request prayers that their third opinion from a pulmonologist in lowa City in January yields results so Colby can be healthy.

TODAY

9:30am COFFEE SHOPPE

10:00am WORSHIP
Lighting of Advent candle
LOVE

10:20am LITTLE TREASURES

3-5 yr olds time to worship God meets in Upper Room watch for dismissal slide

If you missed check-in prior to worship for Little Treasures or JAM, stop by the table in the lobby area with your child.

11:00am STAY AND PRAY
SW corner of the Worship Center

11:10am JAM Praise & Worship

5 yrs-5th gr
Meets in the JAM room
next to kitchen
11:30 dismissal
(no SS small group today)
Parents pick up children from

the JAM room

NO WAVE today

THIS WEEK

Mon, Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Services

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

Wed, Dec 26 - 7:00pm - Chapel at Pioneer Memorial Home - singing some Christmas Carols and having fellowship with the residents. If interested in attending, please contact Pastor Garry at gdnyenhuis@gmail.com No Overflow this week.

Sat, Dec 29 - OC Cadet Snow Derby

CALENDAR BEYOND THIS WEEK

Wed, Jan 2 - Overflow resumes

<u>Sun, Jan 6</u> - Communion *Children's SS small groups resume *WAVE resumes

Sun, Jan 13

*Installation of new leadership *Donuts with the Pastor

Mon, Jan 14 - Leadership Meeting

<u>Sun, Jan 20</u> - Meet and Greet Worship Coordinators-Damon and Tristan

Sun, Jan 27 - Spiritual gifts overview

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): Jan. 6 – 11:30 to 12:00 for 2nd/3rd Grade
Feb. 17 – 11:30 to 12:00 for 4th Grade

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;

YOUTH

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

Stewardship Team Update

Thank you for your generous support of the ministries of Living Water Community Church. Here are a few highlights based off the November 30, 2018 financial statements:

Revenue & Disbursements Update – For the five months of this fiscal year (July 2018 – November 2018) we currently have a surplus of \$226.65.

- Total Revenue / Income = \$175,536.66
- Total Disbursements / Expenses = \$175,310.01
- Net Increase / (Decrease) = \$226.65

LW Cash-Flow Update – The Living Water accounts at Northwestern Bank had a balance of \$79,500.60 on November 30, 2018.

- It costs LWCC approximately \$1,375 to operate on a daily basis.
- With our cash balances, we have about 58 days of operating money.
- The Stewardship Team has a goal of getting up to greater than 75 days of operating cash.

Building Debt Update – We currently have one loan to the Sheldon Christian School Foundation for \$100,000. Our debt to equity (the amount of debt based on the market value of our two campuses) is very strong. We are very healthy from a debt perspective.

GRACE Update - Our GRACE/Fair Share obligation for this school year (2018-19) is \$104,545.00 (55 Students).

- As of November 30, 2018 we have paid the schools \$13,400.00 or 13%.
- The remaining balance is \$91,145.00 or 87% as of November 30, 2018.

Please remember LWCC in your end-of-the-year giving and continue to pray for the many ways that you and others can serve Living Water physically, spiritually, and financially as we work to grow God's Kingdom.

The Stewardship Team