



Caledonia Christian Reformed Church

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December 10, 2017

**Morning Service
9:30 am**

"Fearless Shepherds"

Series:

The Hopes and Fears of
All the Years

Text:

Luke 2:1-20

Pastor

R. Scott Greenway

Offering:

General Fund
CEM

Next Week:

General Fund

We're so glad you came today!

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you to Caledonia CRC. We invite you to learn more about us by visiting the *Information Center*. Please also enjoy a cup of coffee at the *Common Grounds*. Let us know that you were here and how we can serve you best by filling out the information page located in the pews, and placing it in the offering plate.

Nursery & Preschool

Nursery for infants through age 3 is located in the *Entrance Area*. The Preschool program for 3 and 4 year olds, meets during the morning service down the south stairwell by the *Common Grounds*.

Conext Coffee

New to Caledonia CRC or just visiting? You are invited to a Connect Coffee today following the morning service. Please gather in the *High School* room just past the Common Grounds.

Jailhouse Ministries

Prayer requests from the jail ministry will be distributed after the AM service. Please take one and offer prayers for those incarcerated.

2017 Council Nominations

The Council has started the process of selecting new Council members and is asking for your help. Please prayerfully review the position descriptions and office bearer qualifications on the forms. Nomination forms are available at the *Ministry Wall*. Thank you for your help in this important process.

**Council Vice President
Care Team Elders (3)
Worship Elder
Benevolence Deacon
Assistant Treasurer**



**Outside Live Nativity
Children's Christmas
Program**

**Please dress for the
weather.**

Prayer Requests

Prayers for ...

Roger & Karen Ohrich's son, Tyler who was in a serious deer/truck accident and has been transferred to the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Jeff Schut's dad, (also **Hazel Bode's** brother), **Norman Schut** is in the intensive care at Butterworth due to a fall, and is dealing with seizures and bleeding on the brain.

Wayne DeKraker has officially been placed on the lung transplant list.

Thank you...

Thank you all for the support and encouragement you have shown us throughout the process of Joe's kidney transplant: the prayers, financial support, encouraging cards and messages. We are so grateful to be a part of this congregation. Thank you! Joe and Julie Pettinga

**For a complete list of our congregation's prayer
concerns visit our website:**

Adult Ministries

Adult Education

Today: Dr. Michele Loyd-Paige, Professor of Sociology at Calvin College will be speaking on the topic of diversity inclusion and how we as a church and Christian community are called upon to open our hearts and doors to those who may differ than us. Join her in the *Choir Room* after the morning service.

Next Week: No Education hour due to Christmas Break.

Book Club

Our next Book Club is meeting on Wednesday at 1:00 pm. We will be discussing *Gap Creek* by Robert Morgan.

CEM

As you know our church family's Christian Education Ministry is structured to help with a small portion of tuition for families that need assistance and chose to send their children to Christian Schools. As you prayerfully look at you year-end giving, our committee would ask you to consider this ministry!! CEM needs \$40,000 by end of April 2018 to complete our current obligations to these children and families.

Children's & Youth Ministries

Stepping Stones Elementary

The Stepping Stones Elementary children in Kindergarten–5th grade will have a final rehearsal for the live nativity this morning. Children may come down stairs for a snack immediately following the morning service. Please bring your coats, hats and mittens with you. Parents are asked to pick up their children from the children's ministry area at 11:45am.

Tonight - Live Nativity Participants

The live nativity is this evening. Actors please plan on arriving at 4:15pm and Stepping Stones Elementary students at 4:30pm.

Outdoor Club Event

Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner

The Outdoor Club will host a Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner on Wednesday at 5:30pm. Our guest speaker will be Pat Frederick a Safety Officer. He will be speaking on various topics related to hunting, school safety, and church safety.

Hand to Hand

Hand to Hand Backpack Ministry

Specific grocery needs for the month of December:

Sleeves of Crackers
Chocolate milk drink boxes (non-refrigerated)
100% juice boxes
Individual cereal boxes or bowls
Trail mix
Boxes of pasta
Small cans of pasta sauce
Cans/plastic containers of green beans
Tortilla packs (8-10 per pack)

Please remember: shelf stable, no glass, un-opened, pre-packaged, and no expired items. The sign up sheet to assist packing the food is on the Food Collection table. Contact Ellen Roodvoets or Rachelle McKenzie with questions.

Upcoming Dates

Sunday, December 10

Worship Service
Education Hour
Connex Coffee

The Caledonia Gathering
Worship Service

Tuesday, December 12

Coffee Break
Adult Basketball

Wednesday, December 13

Men's Small Group
Book Club
Outdoor Event
Running Club
Praise Team

December 17

No Education Hour

December 24

Christmas Eve Service 9:30AM
No PM Service

December 25

Christmas Day Service
10:00AM

