

### **LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD**

Lee & Starla Reitsma      Gerrit & Carol Wiekamp  
John & Jessica Schreurs ~ Levi, Laremy, Anna, Lamont, Liam

**Young Adult of the Week ~ Tyler Stanley** works for a Wind Turbine company in Casper, Wyoming. His address is in the church directory.

**To the Sanborn CRC Congregation ~** from Union Gospel Mission in Sioux Falls ~ The homeless and hungry coming to our mission are going to be okay this Christmas and it's because of you! Your generous gift of \$1,981 not only provided a night of shelter and a good meal for homeless and hungry men and women, but it let them know they are loved. On behalf of all those you helped, **THANK YOU!**

**Christmas Possibility** - Next week we celebrate the possibility of being made right with God, starting with the birth of Jesus. He showed us the way to give to people in need. You can give a goat, a family water filter, or a tree pruning kit from World Renew's Gift Catalog at **[worldrenew.net/gifts](http://worldrenew.net/gifts)** or call 800-552-7972

**Religion is man searching for God;  
Christianity is God  
reaching down to mankind**

**We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. The ALS system is available for those with hearing impairments.**

### **WORSHIP NOTES**

Sunday morning service - 9:30 a.m. Church Cable Channels, Both services on our Church's website [sanbornrc.com](http://sanbornrc.com) and the YouTube link [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd3\\_43l-0A8List-FOhhphg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd3_43l-0A8List-FOhhphg)

**Our Church Christmas Program** will be held at 5 p.m. today.

NO Sunday School & Catechism, but **program practice** this morning.

Our church is in charge of the Prairie View worship service at 2 PM

### **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**

**Valet Parking** is available at the West Doors of Church.

**Evangelism Committee** – bring your donations for Love, INC and UDMO asap, as remaining donations will be delivered early this week.

**Giving Tree:** The small brown tags with your gift of cash are needed by Christmas Day (next Sunday). The Evangelism committee is purchasing personal supply items for Love, Inc.

**Advent ~ Love** - Did you ever think of love as an action? Well, God's love is active! Listen now at **[kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net)**

**Joseph ~ The Virgin Birth and Prophecies Fulfilled** - We will discuss how this fulfills Old Testament prophecies and gives us confidence to trust in God's continued presence and faithfulness in our lives as we prepare for his second coming. Listen now at **[GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com)**

## ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our mission continues and **The Village Treasure Chest** needs volunteers now more than ever. We encourage people of all ages to volunteer. We specifically need people to work on Saturdays, but any help is welcome. Apply at [www.villagenorthwest.org/volunteer](http://www.villagenorthwest.org/volunteer) or at the Treasure Chest or Brenna Haack at (712) 324-5416 w/ questions.

**Justice For All** is planning a KENTUCKY BUS TOUR, focusing on our 4 major ministry partners: Grace Covenant Ministries, Annville, KY; Helping Hands, Hyden KY, Appalachia Reach Out Inez, KY; and Appalachian Mission of Hope, Berea, KY. The dates are April 12-18, 2023. Join us, learn, and see how God is using beautiful ministries to share HIS love and hope to those who live in very poor communities throughout Kentucky. We'll be exploring the rich history, culture and stories of the mountain 'hollers', coal, and horses! And God's amazing creation will also be on display! If you are interested or want more information, please contact Pat Vander Pol at JFA [patvp@jfa-nwiowa.org](mailto:patvp@jfa-nwiowa.org) – 712-476-2804

**Justice for All** is having a meeting with information about Service & Learning Trips at Justice for All ministry center on Tuesday January 10, 2023 at 6:30pm. Address is for the ministry center is 1335 Valley Drive Rock Valley, IA 51247. There will be light refreshments available. With questions, please contact Nick at Justice for All 712.476.2804. Consider going on a trip this year to work alongside others in a different community.

FREE 'Sheldon Area' Unity Meal at Living Water Community Church is Monday, December 19 (tomorrow) from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Meals are not delivered but after 6:15 meals will be available to go. Attend the meal and get groceries to-go (one bag per household).

## Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ December 18 - 24

(Sanborn) Kelly & Pam De Groot  
(Sheldon) Keven & Robin Van Meeteren

### TODAY ~ December 18

PPoint: Tonya Wiekamp  
Video: Aidan Carlson  
Audio: Stefan Sybesma  
Doors: Lee Reitsma  
Nursery: Jessica & Lamont Schreurs  
Greeters: Lee & Starla Reitsma  
Larry & Alvina Reitsma  
CIW: Tonya, Anna, Kaylen  
Accom: AM Jamie Carlson  
Offering: AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)  
Hospitality: Cyle & Jamie Carlson  
Bruce & Lana Van Engen  
Bev Brouwer

### Next Sunday ~ December 25

Alan Visser family  
Levi Westra  
Bob Oldenkamp  
Larry Stanley  
Linda O., Hannah W.  
Bob & Linda Oldenkamp  
Roy & Jeri Prins  
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AM & PM Jamie Carlson  
Offering: Budget/Mission Fund  
Brian & Cindy Koldenhoven  
Kelly & Pam De Groot  
Gertie Visser

NO Sunday School and Catechism classes but program practice

	<b>5:00 p.m</b>	<b>Church Christmas program</b>
Monday	5:15 p.m.	GEMS meet at church (bring mission items for Cherish Center) to go to Primghar (Pizza & Skating) arrive back at church by 8 pm
	7:00 p.m.	Council Meeting

**Church Mailboxes:** Jan/Feb Birthday/Anniversary calendar  
Cornerstone Prison Church newsletter

**NEW on Literature table:** 'Breaking Barriers' newsletter  
Cherish House Dec. newsletter

**THE LORD'S DAY – December 18, 2022**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.**  
**Fourth SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**Pastor Phil Westra**

**IN HIS PRESENCE**

Prelude: Jamie Carlson

Welcome and Announcements

Advent Reading and Prayer

\*Song: **"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"** Red 80

\*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

**IN HIS GRACE**

Call to Repentance: *Jeremiah 6: 13 - 15*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: *Romans 5: 1 – 5*

\*Song: **"Like a River Glorious"** Red 699

Storytime w/ Shannon: *"Jingle All the Way"*

Song: **"Away in a Manger"** Red 86 vs 3

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: 1<sup>st</sup> - **Budget** 2<sup>nd</sup> – **CES (Fair Share)**

Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**

3 – 6 year-olds ~ **Children in Worship:** L 21 "Meeting the Christ Child"

**IN HIS WORD**

\*Song: **"O Word of God Incarnate"** Red 757

Scripture: **John 16: 25 – 33** (p 943)

Message: **"Prince of Peace"**

Prayer of Application

**IN HIS SERVICE**

\*Song: **"O Little Town of Bethlehem"** Red 88

\*Parting Blessing

\*Doxology: **"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"** Red 98 vs 3

\*Postlude

\*stand if you are able

**Sermon Notes for Sunday Morning, December 18, 2022**  
**"Prince of Peace" ~ John 16:25–33**

Introduction: Shalom, Peace No Matter What

A. Self-Assessment

Am I experiencing peace in my life?

What has brought me peace?

When and where is it absent?

1. defining "peace"

2. peace \_\_\_\_\_ vs. peace \_\_\_\_\_

B. The Gift of Peace

1. \_\_\_\_\_ peace with God

2. \_\_\_\_\_ peace with God

C. Growing in Peace

1. \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_ this Christmas

2. Mother Teresa's "Business Card"

**CHURCH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT 5 PM TODAY**