

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**Sunday, December 20, 2015**

Welcome! If you are a guest today, we invite you to fill out one of the blue cards found in the pews or sign the guest register in the entryway. We would also love to have you join us for coffee following the morning worship service!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL/CATECHISM** will not meet for the next 3 weeks for Christmas Break. All classes will resume on Sunday, January 10.

**GAME DAY:** Pastor Russ and his family would like to invite the congregation to come to church for games and goodies on Saturday, January 2, 2016, from 1-5PM. It is Pastor's birthday and he would love to spend it with any from the church family who would like to come for fun and fellowship-playing games and eating together. Cake, snacks and drinks will be provided. The Hermans will be bringing some games but please feel free to bring your favorites as well.

**ADULT CHOIR:** The adult choir will meet for rehearsal today after the morning worship service.

**A NOTE FROM THE SECRETARY:** Rhea will be out of the office during the week after Christmas, so please email any announcements for the January 3<sup>rd</sup> bulletin to the office by this week Wednesday, December 23. Thank you!

**NEW MEMBERS' CLASS:** Anyone who is considering making public profession of faith should plan to attend our New Members' Class beginning on January 10, 2016, after our morning worship service. The class will

continue through February. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Russ.

**A NOTE FROM COUNCIL:** The Council would like to ask parents to please remind your children to refrain from running in the hallways and playing in the classrooms and nursery after church. This is disruptive to the adult Sunday School and Catechism classes taking place during that time. The fellowship hall is free after children's' Sunday school singing, so please encourage them to gather there to play. If you have any questions, please see any member of Council.

**A NOTE OF THANKS:** To the congregation of Cloverdale URC — Thank you so much for your heartwarming love and tangible generosity in sending us such a large Christmas gift! Your love and prayers mean very much to us! We are really glad that we had the opportunity to visit with you as a family this past summer and renew our friendship with you as well as enjoy the bonds that tie us together through Christ our Messiah! We pray for His richest blessings on each of you, your families and your congregation as a whole. You are very dear and special to us! -- With thankful hearts, in Christ's deep love, Heero, Anya, Juliette and Christian Hacquebord

**PRAYER CORNER**

\*Dorothy Woods is recovering from pneumonia.

\*Dave Howerzyl will begin radiation treatments after the first of the year.

\*Pray for Jason Cooke's mom as she recovers from surgery.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

Please put these important dates of upcoming events at Cloverdale on your calendars, and then watch the bulletin for more information:

**Dec 24 Christmas Eve Service, 7PM**

**Jan 2 Game Day, 1-5PM**

**Jan 10 New Member's Class, 11:30AM**

**IN GOD'S SERVICE**

**HOST FAMILIES**

Today Darwin & Jane Vander Stelt

Jan 10 Bill & Sue Pastoor

Jan 17 Dan & Kim Van Grouw

**GREETERS**

Today John & Judy Vander Woude

Dec 27 Matt & Candace Cooper

Jan 3 Tim & Diana Schulz

**KITCHEN/COFFEE**

Today Audra Sherman, Renee McNicol

Dec 27 Joanie Arendse, Nancy Rotman

Jan 3 John & Judy Vander Woude

**ACCOMPANISTS**

Ministry of Music Contacts: Sara/Sharon

Today AM: O: S. Wigboldy

P: S. Cooke

PM: D. de Jong

Christmas Eve: O: S. Wigboldy

P: D. de Jong

Dec 27: AM: O: Robin VS

P: S. Cooke

PM: S. Cooke

Jan 3: AM: O: S. Wigboldy

P: Kim VG

PM: Kim VG

**NURSERY**

December Contact: Janine Ropp

Today AM: Margaret Roest, Janine Ropp

PM: Julie & Katie Ribbens

Christmas Eve: Laura Stenquist, Johanna de Jong

Dec 27 AM: Renee, Malia & Elli McNicol

PM: Judy Vander Woude

Jan 3 AM: Candace Cooper, Lori Den Hartog

PM: Lynda Miedema

**USHERS**

Today Ryan Kroes, Sean Cooper

Christmas Eve: Nate Stenquist, Glenn VW

Dec 27 Judd McNicol, Ed Oppedyk

Jan 3 Matt Howerzyl, Ben Bieri

**SOUND**

Dec: Jesse Groen

Jan: Trenton Ribbens

**PM SONG SERVICE**

Today Terry Ribbens

Dec 27 Simon de Jong

Jan 3 Herm Roest

**PRAYER & SHARE**

Today Terry Ribbens

Dec 27 Simon de Jong

Jan 3 Gregg Russell

**THIS WEEK**

SUN: 9:30AM Morning Worship Service

6:00PM Evening Worship Service

MON: 7:00PM Consistory Meeting

THUR: 7:00PM Christmas Eve Service

### **Deacon's Report for Dec 13, 2015**

General Fund: \$3,860.00

RMS: \$1,644.12

Twin Falls Church Assistance: \$2,100.00

### **Today's Offering**

*General Fund:* Money collected goes toward the day-to-day operations and expenses of this church.

*Missions:* Money collected goes to the financial aid of 3 missionaries and their families, Middle East Reformed Fellowship, Reformed University Fellowship which serves the students of BSU and Reformed Mission Services, all of which this church supports.

### **Sunday School Offering for Nov/Dec: \$36.50**

**\*\*Our obligation to support Claudine is \$38/month, so we were very short the past two months\*\***

### **\*\*Upcoming Offerings:**

**Christmas Eve: Lifeline Pregnancy Center**

**Dec 27: General Fund & Building Fund**

### **From Reformed Mission Services:**

**On behalf of the RMS Board of Directors:** We would like to thank you for your support in 2015. As this year draws to a close, please continue to remember RMS in your prayers and in your possible year-end giving. May God bless you in in this season, celebrating the birth of our Savior, and as we go forward into the New Year.

### **Mount of Olives Orphanage, Mexico,**

**FEBRUARY 6-13, 2016:** Register soon as the registration will end Tomorrow! We have quite a few people registered so far from California, New Jersey, Canada and the Midwest.

Prayerfully consider being a part of this team. Details and registration for this trip is on our website, [www.rms.org](http://www.rms.org). If you have any questions about this trip please contact Rob at [rob@rms.org](mailto:rob@rms.org).

### ***THE SONG OF ZACHARIAH***

Now be the God of Israel bless'd,  
Who makes his truth appear;  
His mighty hand fulfills his word,  
And all the oaths he sware.

John was the prophet of the Lord,  
To go before his face;  
The herald which our Savior God  
Sent to prepare his ways.

Be ev'ry vale exalted high,  
Sink ev'ry mountain low:  
The proud must stoop, and humble souls  
Shall his salvation know.

Behold the morning Star arise,  
Ye that in darkness sit!  
He marks the path that leads to peace,  
And guides our doubtful feet.

### **AM Doxology**

Saints and angels join in praising Thee the  
Father, Spirit, Son  
Evermore their voices raising to th'  
Eternal Three in One  
Come and worship, come and worship  
Worship Christ the new-born King.