

SERMON NOTES



HERITAGE

CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

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Welcome to Heritage Church!

We're glad you've come to worship with us! We hope you will experience a warm welcome as we worship God together and embrace the truth of Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord. We are glad to have you with us and look forward to welcoming you back again soon.

If you would like to know more about what it means to become a follower of Jesus Christ, we encourage you to talk with our pastor or pick up the "Two Ways to Live" pamphlet at the information Center or available at twowaystolive.com

To learn more about Heritage, check out our website or consider attending a class designed to introduce you to who we are and why we are here. Please email us at churchoffice@heritagecrc.org or call the church office to let us know of your interest.

Our Mission

To introduce people to Jesus Christ,
to help them grow to be more like Him,
and then to reproduce the process in others.

Sunday, December 14, 2025

Preparation for Worship

“Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.” Psalm 62:8

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

*The Call to Worship

Leader: The Christian life is full of ordinary things that together work for the extraordinary purpose of glorifying God. We rejoice in the promises of God and yet at times our hearts are sad.

All: *Even David, Israel’s great king, at times was down cast and disturbed within his soul.*

Leader: Despite the problems we face in this world, we are called to be a people of rejoicing. The Scriptures call us to “rejoice in the Lord always.” (Philippians 4:4a)

All: *“Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God!”* (Psalm 42:11)

Leader: We light this third Advent candle with rejoicing, knowing that Christ will surely come again and make all things new.

An Advent Prayer

*Song of Praise

Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding Gray 332:1,3,4,5

*God’s Greeting

*Song of Worship

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You Green 90:1,2,4

WE CELEBRATE REDEMPTION

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Song of Confession

What Can I Give Him Screens

Assurance of Pardon

Our Profession of Faith~Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Day 10

Song of Response

Trust and Obey Screens

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Series The Mothers of Jesus

Scripture Ruth 1:1-22 (p.276)

Sermon “The Mothers of Jesus: Ruth”

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*Song

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers Gray 333

Prayers of the People

Heritage Happenings

Tithes - General Fund & Faith Promise

Offerings - World Renew

If you are a visitor with us please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering but free to do so. Please take a few moments to complete the Connection Card and place it in the offering basket located by the sanctuary doors.

WE GO OUT WITH NEW HOPE

*The Benediction

*Doxology

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come Gray 337:1,2,4

Postlude

*You are invited to stand in body or in spirit

Bold italicized text is read together by the congregation and plain text by the leader. Most songs are found in the hymnals and all of the words will be on the front screens.