

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, November 30, 2025

Preparation for Worship

“A voice of one calling: “In the desert prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the wilderness a highway for our God.” Isaiah 40:3

Prelude: “Italian Noel”, “He Shall Feed His Flock”

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

*The Call to Worship: *An Advent Candle Litany*

Leader: In ancient times, God’s people were waiting for the coming of the promised Messiah.

All: *The Lord had promised that the day would come when he would fulfill the gracious promise he had made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah.*

Leader: The gospels record how that promised Messiah came as a baby. That child grew to be a man who was fully human and yet divine—Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: *“Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth! Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs!”* (Psalm 100:1-2)

Leader: We light this first Advent candle in celebration of the Christ who came. We look forward to that wonderful day when he will come again.

An Advent Prayer

*Song of Worship

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus Gray 329

*God’s Greeting

*Song of Worship

Meekness and Majesty Screens

WE CELEBRATE REDEMPTION

Call to Confession

Silent Prayer of Confession

Song *Come, Lord Jesus* Screens

Assurance of Pardon

Our Profession of Faith Nicene Creed

Song of Response *Living Hope* Screens

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Series: The Mothers of Jesus

Scripture Genesis 38 (p.42)

Sermon “**The Mother of Jesus: Tamar**”

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*Song

How Vast the Benefits Divine Gray 497

Prayers of the People

Heritage Happenings

Tithes - General Fund

Offerings - Centrica Hospice of SW Michigan

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

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Gray 345:2,3

Postlude: “Savior of the Nations Come”

*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.