

*Sunday Morning Worship - 10:00 am*

*December 20, 2020*

**COME! WORSHIP THE LORD**

Prelude: Kris Grave

Greeting/Call to Worship/Welcome

*Announcements*

*Opening Hymn - #165 "When God Is a Child"*

*Greeting one another*

*Advent Candle Reading*

*Ministry of Music – Kyle and Carly DeLeeuw*

*Children's Message – Brenda Sandbulte*

*Hymn - #187 "O Holy Night"*

**COME! HEAR GOD'S WORD**

*Scripture Text: Matthew 2:1-11 page 1497*

*Sermon: Are you as "Awe-full" as the Magi??*

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

**COME! RECEIVE GOD'S GRACE**

*Offering and Offertory Hymn #191 "It Came upon the Midnight Clear"*

**\*Doxology (# 34) & Offertory Prayer**

**\*Benediction –**

**Closing Hymn - #182 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (chorus only)**

**HOPE REFORMED CHURCH**  
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**MISSION STATEMENT**

*Walking with Jesus, Walking with Others*  
*Sewing God, Sewing Others.*

**MORNING WORSHIP**

*During this season of great anticipation, we are glad that you joined us as we search for the presence of God in our lives and in the world today.*

**SPECIAL MINISTRIES TODAY**

*BEFORE SANCTUARY GREETERS – Mark and Wendy Leemkuil*

*AFTER OVERFLOW GREETERS – Mark and Wendy Leemkuil*

*AFTER SANCTUARY GREETER – Heath DeJong*

*NURSERY – Sarah DeHaan and Harper Klein*

*SOUND SYSTEM – Pam Grave*

*POWERPOINT – Cory Altena*

**SPECIAL MINISTRIES NEXT SUNDAY**

*BEFORE SANCTUARY GREETERS – Reid and April Krull*

*NURSERY – Jahlyn DeJong and Kinsly Altena*

*MINISTRY OF MUSIC – Congregational Song*

*SOUND SYSTEM – Bert Reitsma*

*POWERPOINT – Sandy Reitsma*

**Last Week Attendance**  
**December 13, 2020 = 96**

## THIS WEEK AT HOPE

**Wednesday, December 23, 2020**

7:00 PM – Catechism, Choir and RCYF

**Thursday, December 24, 2020**

7:00 PM – Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

**Friday, December 25, 2020**

Merry Christmas!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today: Welcome to worship at Hope Reformed Church.

Building and Grounds Task Force Meeting.

Worship Task Force Meeting.

Tonight is the night! The Hope Reformed Church Christmas Program, An Unplugged Christmas, will be tonight at 7:00 PM. Parents, please have your kids here at 6:30 PM so they can get ready. There will not be fellowship following the program. We hope you enjoy as we shine a light on the birth of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior!

SPIRITUAL COVID RELIEF - Feeling broken and incomplete? Seeing the lost and broken world so loved by God as even more broken? Jesus is the hope of the world! God's desire is that each one of us would be a truer reflection of Jesus. Receiving Spiritual Stimulus is possible. Engaging a process known as Faithwalking offers help and hope. Faithwalking is a process of spiritual formation that believes wholeness is possible. Faithwalking equips people with tools which heal wounds of our past, stimulate growth in emotional maturity, and position us to live lives of purpose on mission with God. Then, we are better prepared to selflessly follow the way of Jesus to be salt and light in the world. Check out <https://www.faithwalking.us>, email Chris Godfredsen ([cgodfredsen@gmail.com](mailto:cgodfredsen@gmail.com)) for more information, or register here <https://tpoppen.wufoo.com/forms/q1c48wnz1mizxpd/>

*To the ladies who put together and delivered the care packages ---- Many thanks and words of appreciation were received for the casseroles, bars, party mix, cards and colored pictures that were included in the packages. Just one of the ways the hands and feet of Jesus are at work at HRC!*

*It's almost time for the annual HRC caroling night! It will be Wednesday, December 23rd! However, the format will be a bit different this year. The catechism and RCYF kids, teachers, sponsors, MESA Task Force and any others who would like to join us for the fun should be at church by 6pm. We will start by decorating cookies and making Christmas cards and then delivering them with a Christmas CD to the elderly and shut ins. We will ring your doorbell, set your goodies down and step back, keeping our distance, waiting to make sure you're home. Sorry, we won't be singing, but hope you'll enjoy the Christmas music the CD provides. We will then return to church for pizza and a hot chocolate bar. If time allows, we have a Nativity Escape Room activity planned for kids and adults alike. It promises to be a wonderful night --- having some fun while serving God and serving others!*

*The MESA Task Force would like to 'shower' Clinton and Flossie with Christmas greetings as they are still homebound at Fieldcrest and unable to have any church visitors. Please consider sending them a note. Thank you!*

*Their address:*

*Clinton and Flossie Van Roekel  
Fieldcrest Assisted Living  
2501 E 6th St Apt 139  
Sheldon, IA 51201*

*Congregation: In your mailboxes you will find White Gift envelopes for our White Gift offering this year. Your offering this year will go towards Project Sing & Play, which is a project that will look to update our Children's Library with new media and books for the kids to check out. We will also be purchasing new outdoor equipment like balls, yard games, and other equipment for the kids to use throughout the year. Please return your White Gift by December 27th. We are grateful and thankful in advance for your gifts that will have a great impact on the youth of our church!*

*We will not be doing cookies after morning worship for a while.*

*Shelly Altena is on the schedule for the children's sermon next Sunday December 27, 2020.*

**Sermon Title:** Are you as “Awe-full” as the Magi??”

**Scripture Text:** Matthew 2:1-11

**One Big Idea:**