

# Granum Christian Reformed Church

Rev. Pastor Henry Veldboom

Sunday, December 22, 2024

**December 22, 2024 ~ Fourth Sunday in Advent  
PEACE in God's Promise of Victory**

**We Gather in God's Peace**

Welcome & Call to Worship ~ Psalm 85:1-3, 8-13

\*Song ~ "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" L56

\*God's Greeting

\*Song ~ "Once in Royal David's City" L87

**We Light the Candle of Peace**

Readings ~ Isaiah 61:1-3, Luke 1:57-60, Luke 1:67, 76-79

Song ~ "Lord, You Have Lavished on Your Land" L65

Advent Prayer

\*Song ~ "O Little Town of Bethlehem" L88

**God Speaks Peace through His Word**

Children's Blessing

Scripture Reading ~ Luke 1:67-79

Sermon ~ God Promises Peace by Defeating Our Enemies

Prayer of Application

**We Respond with Peace to God's Word**

\*Song ~ "When Peace Like a River" L451

Congregational Prayer

Song ~ "Away in a Manger" L86

Offering ~ Local Food Banks

\*Offertory Prayer

**We Go Out Filled with God's Peace**

\*Benediction

\*Song ~ "Silent Night, Holy Night" L85

\*Please stand if able

**CHURCH FAMILY**

Please remember our members who need ongoing prayer, including:  
Henrietta, Ralph, Alex, Tom, Jean & Wanda.

**MUSICIAN**

Today- Jennie

Sunday School Program- Worship Team

Christmas Day Service- Worship Team

Next Sunday- Jennie

**A/V TEAM**

Today- Adam & Sharla

Sunday School Program- Adam, Marianne & Bryn

Christmas Day Service- Stacey, Marianne & Mary

Next Sunday- Adam & Sharla

**NURSERY**

Today- Nadia, Lynae & Anna

Next Sunday- Beverly, Kazandra & Adalynn

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Today- Diane, Kaydie & Gracie

Next Sunday- No Sunday School

**OFFERING:**

Today- Local Food Bank

Sunday School Program- Local Food Banks

Christmas Day Service- World Renew

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

December 25- Gary

December 26- Ed

- Lillian



**Congratulations to everyone  
celebrating Birthdays this week!**

**TODAY:**

**Nursery** is available prior to start of service.

**Sunday School**

- Children age 4 to Grade 1 leave during the service
- Assembly directly after service in sanctuary age 4 to Grade 7.
- After assembly grade 2- 7 Sunday school teachers will lead children to their Sunday school classrooms
- Grade 8/9: meets directly after church

**6:00 pm Sunday School Program**

**THIS WEEK:**

Wednesday- 10:00 am Christmas Day Service

Saturday- 7:30 am Men's Life

**UPCOMING DATES:**

December 30- Congregational Skate 6-8:15 pm

## OUR CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Tonight at 6:00pm is the Sunday School Program!** We are asking for squares or cookies from the congregation for the luncheon afterwards. Please drop them off in the kitchen prior to the start of the program.

We are needing a few extra hands after this morning service to help us get organized for the Christmas program luncheon tonight. If you can help set up tables, butter buns, or just want to visit, please join us in the kitchen after grabbing your cup of coffee.

### ***Hello Granum CRC Family,***

Greetings from southwest SK! We are writing to wish you all a Merry Christmas, and to thank you for your ongoing prayers and support. We feel blessed that Granum CRC would allow us to join your pastoral team, so that we can remain in the CRC while serving on loan to the Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church of Frontier, SK. We would like to thank you for supporting us on this pastoral mission in my home area. Please pray for me as I continue to lead in the teaching, preaching and pastoral care ministries, but also as we plan on leading an Alpha Course in the New Year. Lord willing, we will see you at some point in 2025. Meanwhile, we will continue to pray for you all.

*Sincerely, Pastor Leon & Joy Johnston*

**Church congregational skate and hockey game** Monday December 30 6:00 to 8:15. Skate to start and game to follow. Hockey game will try to be shinny but if you want to protect yourself you can wear pads. Just out to have fun. Only rule is a helmet must be worn if you want to play hockey, young and old welcome. Hot drinks and donuts provided. Any questions call Matt at 1 (403) 625-6170

## CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY & AROUND THE WORLD

**Kids Corner: Advent Week 4: The Blessing** - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). We cannot repay God for his love. What we can do is give his love to others and bless those around us the same way God blesses us. Christ is the ultimate blessing, and when we receive him, it's not something we keep to ourselves. As God's children, he wants us to share the good news of Jesus's birth, death, and resurrection with others. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like the Bible Story Podcast The Story of the Shepherds.

**Groundwork: Jesus: Our Prince of Peace** - As we celebrate Christmas, join Groundwork as we study Isaiah 9:6, Psalm 137, Isaiah 49:6, Isaiah 53:4-12, Ephesians 2:14-19, and Luke 2:1-21 to discover the deep and meaningful shalom Jesus brought to us in his birth, that he promises to establish permanently when he returns, and how we can be his agents of peace in our world here and now. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip** - For you Jesus Christ came into the world: for you he lived and showed God's love; for you he suffered the darkness of Calvary and cried at the last, "It is finished"; for you he triumphed over death and rose in newness of life; for you he ascended to reign at God's right hand. All this he did for you, though you do not know it yet. And so the word of Scripture is fulfilled: "We love because God loved us first." –Adapted from the French Reformed Church liturgy. During this week of Christmas, tell the familiar story of the birth of our Savior with the hope of hearing it in new and beautiful ways, remembering Christ's incarnation and birth for YOU. Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.org/Thrive)

Recorded videos of services are on our Granum CRC YouTube channel on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

Use the first link below, or go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) and in search box enter "GranumCRC AV"

Click on that search result option, then click the video you want to watch.

General Granum CRC YouTube channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCs0yVIMAC\\_bnTpgX8Ch0xfA/featured](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCs0yVIMAC_bnTpgX8Ch0xfA/featured)

As of December 8, 2024 recorded live-stream service videos are under the "Live" tab, or use this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/@granumcrcavteam8400/streams>

Website: [www.granumcrc.com](http://www.granumcrc.com) Announcements: [info@granumcrc.com](mailto:info@granumcrc.com) Submission deadline is **Thursday 12:00 pm.**

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