

Preaching: Pastor Shawn Gerbers

Sermon Notes*Welcome*

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Songs: Here I Am to WorshipO Holy Night*

Please be seated.

Song: *There's a Song in the Air*

Congregational Prayer

Songs: How Deep the Father's LoveHe Will Hold Me Fast*

Offering

Scripture: Psalm 45

Message: **The Bride of Christ****Songs: Freely Freely**Come on Ring Those Bells*

Offerings

General Fund: Monies for general church operating expenses.**Special Collection—Reframe Ministries:** Shares the gospel in communities worldwide using the radio, internet and other technologies.

Church Announcements

Profession of Faith | This Sunday, December 22nd, **Ethan Kollen** will be making a profession of faith during worship.

2025 Budget | The Council has approved carrying forward the 2024 budget into 2025.

Care and Prayer

Calling Elder | In need of prayer or a visit? Wes VanderLugt is the Calling Elder for December. His phone number is 616.836.8054.

Roger Steigenga is back in the hospital with an infection. It is not related to his recent heart surgery. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

Church Calendar

Christmas Day Service | There will be a service at 9:30 AM on Christmas Day.

Proposal Presentation | Presentation of the approved proposal from the Next Steps Team and council will be given on Sunday, December 29.

Informational Meeting | The Council will meet with the church counselor on January 2 at 6:30 PM-it is an informational meeting.

Congregational Meeting | There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, February 2, to vote on resolutions from the Next Steps Team and the Council.

Community Announcements

Unfading Truth | The thought of the coming judgment is horrible and dreadful to wicked and evil people, but it's a great comfort to the righteous and elect, since then our total redemption will be accomplished. Experience this comfort yourself! Read the Bible with us each weekday at UnfadingTruth.com.

Parkview | Please consider Parkview AFC Home in your year-end giving. We have experienced a deficit this past year due to increased costs and reduced contributions. For additional information, please contact your church representative Lavonne Blacquiere or contact Jennifer Letcher, Parkview Administrator (admin@parkviewafchome.org).

The Dock Volunteer Opportunities | The Dock Ministries has exciting volunteer opportunities currently available as we kick off our newest program, Creation Club. This will be a hands-on gardening class for elementary students that will meet in our newly installed greenhouse on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30. Opening day is Tuesday, January 14. Contact us today if you're interested in helping out at thedockministries@gmail.com or 616.531.4955.