

Preaching: Pastor Tom Pettinga

Sermon Notes*Welcome**\*Songs: Go Tell It On the Mountain**Angels We Have Heard on High*

Congregational Prayer

*\*Songs: O God Our Help in Ages Past**Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Offering

Scripture: John 1: 1-14

Message: **Walking in the Light***\*Songs : The Family of God**Blest Be The Tie that Binds*

## 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

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

**Operation Christmas Shoeboxes** | The Operation Christmas Shoeboxes are enroute to Malawi in Southeastern Africa, Thailand in Southeast Asia and the Philip-pians. Please continue to pray for each child that receives a shoe box. Continue to ask God to soften his or her heart to be eager to learn more about Jesus; pray also for their families and the villages that they live in.

**Next Steps Team Update** | On Thursday, Dec. 26, we received an update from Keith and Larry Doornbos regarding the proposal that included Evergreen Commons, the Bridge, and the church plant. "The board of Evergreen Commons met and decided not to receive the sanctuary building as a gift and will not be serving the Zeeland Community from that facility." This news disrupts the plan submitted by the Next Steps Team. Council will be meeting soon to discuss our options.

## 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.

Please pray for **Bernice DeKoster**. She has iritis in her left eye. It is inflamed and hurts. Please pray for relief.

## Church Calendar

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

## Birthdays

We would like to wish **Carol VandenBosch** a very happy 88th birthday on Monday, December 30. May her special day be great!

## Thank You

Thank you to the congregation for all the beautiful cards I received and for the GEMS coming to sing for me. Thank you, thank you! What a caring church we have. Thank you again . **Cora Hyma**

Thank you for all the beautiful Christmas cards. Praise the Lord! **Sally Smith**

## 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](mailto:admin@parkviewafchome.org)).

**Voices of Victory Quartet** | The Voices of Victory quartet will present a concert on December 31 at 7 PM. The Choral Ambassadors Octet will also be joining us. The concert will be held at Zion Reformed Church in Grandville, MI-4457 36th St. SW, Grandville, MI 49418. You are invited to come and go as you please anytime throughout the night. Admission is free, but a free will offering will be collected for Harmony Communities. Coffee and cookies will be provided.