



Christmas Day

This morning, we celebrate the birth of Christ in Bethlehem, God's gift of love and light to a dark and hurting world.

There will be **no evening service** tonight.

This Saturday, we invite you to our Old Year's service at 6pm. This is a great time to reflect on the past year and start a new year with prayer and a Christ-centered focus.

Church Family

Please see prayer chain or printed bulletin.

Prayer Chain

Please Email: prayerchain@escaloncrc.org

Helping Hands Ministry

Please contact one of the Pastors, Deacons or coordinator with requests.

Offering Schedule

Today, December 25

AM: World Renew (Disaster Relief) - Helps people rebuild after natural disasters.

Saturday, December 31 - Old Year

PM: Resonate Global Missions - A ministry of CRC that spreads the Gospel by partnering with churches in North America to plant churches, do campus ministry, train and equip pastors, and develop future leaders, as well as sending missionaries overseas.

Next Week, January 1

AM: Sierra Salem

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 25

C.A.R.E. Collected ~ Eggs

No Sunday School

10:00am - Morning Service

No Evening Service

Tuesday, December 27

6:00pm - AA Bible Study

Wednesday, December 28

7:00pm - Praise Team & Band

Thursday, December 29

6:00pm - AA Meeting

Saturday, December 31

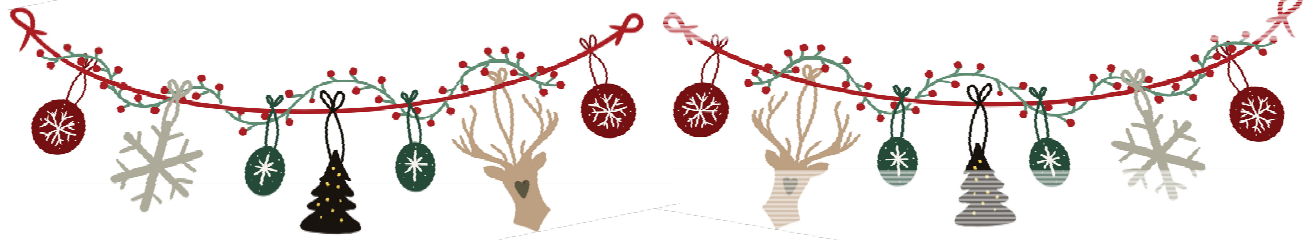
6:00pm - Old Year' Service

Sunday, January 1, 2023

No Sunday School

10:00am - Morning Service

No Evening Service



Church Announcements

The **church office** will be closed tomorrow, Monday, December 26. Office hours will vary the rest of the week.

There is still **no Sunday School** next week. Classes will resume on January 8.

All **widows and widowers** are invited to an "After Christmas, Christmas Open House" this Thursday, December 29, 10am-12n at the Pennings'.

Family Visitations will begin in the new year. Members with the last name *Harmelink - Struiksma* will be visited. Expect an email or phone call from the church office to get your family scheduled in the upcoming weeks and months.

"Thank you Escalon CRC for your recent gift! Our task of training kingdom citizens requires collaboration, and we are so thankful for your faithful support. Dordt University continues to be blessed by God, in its mission of raising up young people who will shape culture and further God's kingdom in all areas of life. The University has been ranked #1 in student engagement by the Wall Street Journal, meaning that our students are inspired in the classroom and recommending Dordt to their peers. We are immensely thankful for a faculty dedicated to Dordt's Reformed, Christian perspective, for students who pursue the vision of serviceable insights, and for alumni who honor the University with their effective kingdom work." ~Dordt University

Community Announcements

The **Happy Hymn Singers** will be singing at Vintage Faire Residential Care (3620 Dale Rd) this Thursday, December 29, at 10am. Please call Nancy D.

You are invited to the 2023 **Calvin University January Series** beginning January 9 and continuing weekdays through January 27 at Immanuel CRC (517 Orange Ave, Ripon). Each lecture will be shown through live feed from Calvin University from 9:30- 10:30am in the Immanuel Sanctuary. You can also watch digitally on demand each day until midnight PST on your own device. To watch or for more information, visit the January Series website at calvin.edu/january.

RC Trivia Night - Ripon Christian Close Up Club invites you to a night of competitive fun for all trivia lovers! Participants and spectators are welcome for a game night hosted by Jerry Terpsma and Sherwin Heyboer, served by RC Close Up Students, and desserts made by Close Up families. The event will be held on Saturday, January 21, at 7pm at Almond Valley CRC. Please contact the high school office for a registration form or use the online form to sign up by January 18: <https://forms.gle/jWaAaKqm9tKT4sLM6>

