



“For a child has been born for us, a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace.” ~ Isaiah 9:6

Welcome to Worship!
The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light!
“The Gifts of Advent and Christmas” Sermon Series
December 13, 2009 ☩ 9:15 a.m.
Third Sunday in Advent

GATHERING & INSPIRATION

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

“Jesus Loves Me”

*OPENING PRAYER

*GREETING IN CHRIST

*PRAISE AND WORSHIP

“Peace, Peace Peace”

Screen

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” verses 1, 2 & 5 only

Screen or #133

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH CANDLE WITH CHILDREN & YOUTH

Week 3 Readers: 3rd-5th Grade Class;

Cindie Collum & Shelley Janowski, Teachers

SPECIAL ADVENT MUSIC

“Happy Birthday, Jesus”

Sutton Dryfhout, vocalist

Abi Demirgian Kuehn, pianist

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER IN SONG

Screen or #632

OFFERTORY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, please register your attendance by signing and passing the friendship pads.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Screen or #809

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

CHILDREN'S ADVENT/CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

*CLOSING HYMN

"Joy to the World," verses 1-3 only

Screen or #146

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**If you are able, please stand.*

Program Participants

Mary	Allison Stears
Joseph	Jake Janowski
Main Angel	Keegan Dorko
Angels	Michael Cusimano, Olivia Roti, Steven Rotunno, Catherine
Shepherds	Adam Cusimano, Sofia Cusimano, Chatten Dryfhout, Sophia Mabry Nauta
Sheep	Zach Bakker, Jalyn Collum, DJ Kolzow, Zoe Mabry Nauta, Henry Rotunno, Pedro
Wisemen	Matthew Lindberg, Liam Reidy, Garrett Stears
King Herod	Jarod Lindberg
Stars	Jalyn Collum, DJ Kolzow, Zoe Mabry Nauta, Henry Rotunno, Pedro
Star Holder	Mason Dryfhout
Simeon	Connor Reidy
Anna	Lindsey Kolzow
Registrar	Teagan Bakker
Innkeeper	Lucas
Narrator 1	Sutton Dryfhout
Narrator 2	Carolyn Werr
Narrator 3	Jillian Bury
Narrator 4	Kayle Lindberg

Director

Lisa Lammers



Remember in Prayer

On-Going Prayer Support

- Babe Eriks, for health and strength
- Jason Ricke, Myrna Dryfhout's great nephew, is no longer serving in Iraq but is in Germany
- Mike Reidy, Tom Reidy's older brother, as his health is fading. We still ask for improved health and for the Lord to bring a kidney donor soon!
- Mary Ellen Janowski, as her family is considering how best to care for her. Please continue to pray for wisdom, guidance and peace for her, Mark and Mark's siblings.
- Volunteers and guests of our Caring Community Kitchen; please pray that everyone involved will be both physically and spiritually fed.
- Anna Smit, for comfort and peace.
- Clarence Robey, Myrna Dryfhout's brother in law. Please pray for healing for him and for patience for his family.
- Those in our church who are seeking employment.
- Please continue to pray for Myrna Dryfhout who is still in a lot of pain and will see a new doctor for a second opinion. She thanks everyone for their cards, calls and prayers.
- Please pray for Bud, brother to Beth & Ron Smith. Please pray for strength and support for Bud, his wife and family as his health continues to decline. He is now receiving hospice services.
- Please pray for John Elza, Sr. who has lung cancer and for the extended Elza family.

Remember in Prayer



- Please continue praying for John Gorter, Bev Dorko's uncle, who had open heart surgery. John is a faithful volunteer at Caring Community Kitchen.
- Please pray for Lou, Carol and Bill Macaitis' brother-in-law, who is suffering from mouth cancer. Please also pray for his wife Kae as she cares for him.
- Please pray for Sal Romita, a friend of Sam Buonauro, who is recovering from a kidney transplant.
- Please pray for Monique, a friend of Elaine Cusimano's, who recently found a lump in her breast and is currently undergoing tests.
- Please pray for Amanda Felgenhaver, whose husband passed away suddenly. Please also pray for their 5 year old twin and 3 year old daughters.
- Please pray for Hanna Molinari, a friend of John Cusimano's who has cancer. She has recently decided to stop all treatment. Please pray for her comfort. Also pray for strength for her children during this time.

What's Going On This Week?

- Sunday** Pre-Worship Prayer, 9am
December 13 Gathering & Inspiration, 9 am
 Worship, 9:15 - 10:30 am ~ Children's Program
- Tuesday** Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 pm
December 15 "Embrace" Rehearsal, 7:30 pm
- Wednesday** Ecumenical Bible Study, 9:30 am
December 16 Ladies' Afternoon Bible Study, 12:30 pm
 Caring Community Kitchen, 5:30pm
 Prayer Service, 7:30 pm
- Thursday** Joint Consistory/"The Big MO!" Team Meeting, Parish House, 7 pm
December 17
- Sunday** Pre-Worship Prayer, 9am
December 20 Gathering & Inspiration, 9 am
 Worship, 9:15 - 10:30 am
 Children's Worship, 9:30 am
 Sunday School, 11 am

Volunteer Schedule

	December 13	December 20
Greeters	Carol & Bill Macaitis Carol & Rich McNeil	Joyce & Allen Morris Dorothy Nekola
Nursery	Bev Dorko Julie Arnold	Bev Dorko Deb Buonauro
Coffee Clean Up	Shelley & Mark Janowski	Maureen & Bernie Iwema
Sound Board	Chris Terpstra	Chris Terpstra



Poinsettia Sale

Purchase your poinsettia plant in memory, in honor or in celebration of someone you love.

Fill out the form below and return it to the office no later than **Sunday, December 13.**

The cost will be **\$7 each.**

The poinsettias will be a beautiful decoration
in our sanctuary on
Sunday, December 20 and Thursday, December 24.
You can pick up yours after
the Christmas Eve worship service.

Circle one:

In memory of

In celebration of

In honor of

Name: _____

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Ordered by: _____

Please make checks payable to *Downers Grove Community Church.*

Clergy, Staff & Consistory

Pastor - Rev. Angie Mabry-Nauta

Church Coordinator/Website Administrator - Elaine Cusimano

Director of Music - Abi Demirgian Kuehn

Nursery Coordinator - Bev Dorko

Elders: Jim Jalowiec, Rich McNeil, Allen Morris & Marge Vander Wagen

Deacons: Steve Dorko, Tom Reidy, Bill Sheehan & Mark Stears

Consistory Liaisons to Ministry Teams

Fellowship ~ Allen Morris

Discipleship ~ Rich McNeil

Property ~ Mark Stears

Mission ~ Tom Reidy and Marge Vander Wagen

Prayer and Worship ~ Bill Sheehan

Hospitality ~ Jim Jalowiec

These above liaisons keep the Consistory aware of the actions of their respective Ministry Teams.

“Embrace”

Musicians: Matt Bury, Elaine Cusimano, Abi Demirgian Kuehn, Ian Doak, Kate Even, Lisa Lammers & Eric Nauta

Soundboard: Jake Janowski, Sydney Spellman & Chris Terpstra