



“How sweet your words taste to me; they are sweeter than honey.”

~ Psalm 119:103

6600 Fairview Avenue • Downers Grove, IL 60516
(630) 969-3320 • www.dgcc.org

Welcome to Worship!
The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light!
“The Gifts of Advent and Christmas” Sermon Series
December 6, 2009 † 9:15 a.m.
Second Sunday in Advent

GATHERING & INSPIRATION

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

“Now Unto Us a Child is Born”

Screen

*OPENING PRAYER

*GREETING IN CHRIST

*PRAISE AND WORSHIP

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing” verses 1 & 2 only Screen or #108

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” verses 1, 3 & 5 only Screen or #133

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH CANDLE WITH CHILDREN & YOUTH

Week 2 Readers: Senior High Class; Bill Sheehan, Teacher

SPECIAL ADVENT MUSIC

Dave Arnold, Donna Koenes, Don Smit

“Advent Celebration”

& Joyce Smit, vocalists;

Abi Demirgian Kuehn, pianist

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

(Children ages 4-11 are invited to exit the sanctuary and attend Children’s Worship at this time.)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be they name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive our debts as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation,
For thine is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 119

MESSAGE

*The Gifts of Advent and Christmas:
The Gift of Scripture*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S PRAYER

Meaning of the Sacrament

Invitation

Communion Prayer

Screen

Communion

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*CLOSING/RESPONDING HYMN

"Thy Word"

Screen

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**If you are able, please stand.*

The Elders are available to all for prayer, consultation, etc, at the end of the service.



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 Leslie, a friend of Beth and Ron Smith's, and her husband Kent and children Adam and Claire. She was recently diagnosed with breast cancer and they are currently finishing up tests and determining how to treat it.
- 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.

What's Going On This Week?

- Sunday
December 6** Pre-Worship Prayer, 9am
Gathering & Inspiration, 9 am
Worship, 9:15 - 10:30 am
Children's Worship, 9:30 am
Sunday School, 11 am
- Tuesday
December 8** Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 pm
Ladies' Evening Bible Study ~ Appetizer Feast, Parish House, 7 pm
"Embrace" Rehearsal, 7:30 pm
- Wednesday
December 9** Ecumenical Bible Study, 9:30 am
Caring Community Kitchen, 5:30pm
- Thursday
December 10** Social Ministry Training, 6:30 pm
- Friday
December 11** Mission Ministry Team Meeting, Parish House, 7 pm
- Saturday
December 12** ADK Studios Recital, 12 pm
- Sunday
December 13** Pre-Worship Prayer, 9am
Gathering & Inspiration, 9 am
Worship, 9:15 - 10:30 am
Children's Worship, 9:30 am
Sunday School, 11 am

Volunteer Schedule

| | December 6 | December 13 |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Greeters | Cindy & Eric Lindberg Judy & Larry Luytjes | Carol & Bill Macaitis Carol & Rich McNeil |
| Nursery | Bev Dorko Val Vaclavik | Bev Dorko Julie Arnold |
| Coffee Clean Up | Donna & Al Koenes | Shelley & Mark Janowski |
| Sound Board | Chris Terpstra | Chris Terpstra |

Sermon Notes

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