

**WORSHIP SERVICES**  
**AUSTINVILLE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**  
**December 1, 2019**  
**First Sunday in Advent**  
**Pastor: Rev. Norm Underland**

**Morning Service 9:30 a.m.**

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

Title: **Hope**

Songs: 56, 687, 79, 590

God's Will: Rom 5:1-5

**Afternoon Service 6 p.m.**

Scripture: The Gospel of Mark

Title: **Get to the Point**

Songs: 38, 421, 944

Statement of Faith: HC LD 12

**Today**

Nursery: Bobbi

Greeters: Rick and Shelly

God's Will: Michael J.

Song Leader: Cindy

**Next Sunday**

Nursery: Liz

Greeters: Larry and Celia

God's Will: Phyllis

Song Leader: Dennis

**Welcome** to all who have joined us for worship today. We pray God's blessing on the Word that is spoken. After the morning service, all are invited downstairs for coffee and fellowship. Please stick around for our Sunday School classes as well.

**Our Special and Sunday School Offering** today will be for the Ackley Youth Center. Next Sunday our special offering will be for Back to God Ministries.

**Next week:** During our morning service we will begin our Advent series with part 2: Peace. Our evening service next week we will be looking at the Gospel of Luke.

**This Week**

**Sunday, 9:00 to 9:15 a.m.** - Prayer Time in the Council Room

**Monday, 6:30 p.m.** - Council Meeting followed by Congregational meeting at 7:00 pm

**Wednesday, 6:30 a.m.** - Men's Prayer Group at Voss Studio

**Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.** - AWANA at Aplington Baptist Church

**Announcements**

- **Congregational Meeting:** Tomorrow evening, December 2 at 7pm. We will be voting on a new Elder and new Deacon to serve on council. Elders nominees are: Harold DeVries and Doyle Voss. Deacon nominees are Michael Janssen and Rick Abbas. Budgets for 2020 are also in your mailboxes, please look them over and be prepared to vote on the budget during our meeting.
- **Council Meeting** will begin at 6:30 prior to the congregational meeting.
- **Save the Date:** Mark your calendars! The Austinville Christmas Party will be January 11th, 2020 at Todd's in Parkersburg. More info to come.
- **Christmas Cookies and Tasty Treats:** Let Timothy Christian School do the baking for you this season! You are invited to attend Timothy Christian School's Cookie Walk on Friday, December 6 from 8:30-11 AM at the United Reformed Church in Wellsburg (608 S. Adams). Select from trays and trays of wonderfully decorated cookies and candies. Fill up a box available at the church and pay by the pound. Relax as you enjoy a complimentary piece of homemade coffee cake with a cup of hot cider or coffee. Clay ornaments made by the art students will also be available for purchase. To place an order for delivery in the area, please call 641-869-3679 on Thursday, December 5 from 8:30 AM - 3 PM. We look forward to seeing you!
- **Special Thank You for Carol L:** Thank you to all my church family for your prayers, cards, and expressions of concern. My surgery went well and the results were wonderful. God is good.
- **Christmas Choir:** Practice for choir will be today following Sunday School at 11:30.
- **Aplington Baptist Church** will be have their Second Annual "Welcome Christmas" Musical Event on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM with fellowship time following

**Prayer Concerns.**

- Prayers for our shut-ins and those unable to worship in person with us this morning.
- Let us take the time to pray for our local churches and ministry partners. This week please lift up Bethel Reformed.
- Continued prayers for all those traveling this weekend for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Prayers for Bob and Chick Abkes. Bob's health is failing quickly and may only have a few days left. Pray for peace in his passing and God's comforting presence.