

Prayers of Praise and Petition

If you have prayer requests, call
Diane Sessions @ 696-0877

Prayers of Praise

1. For the Christmas Season.
2. For a warm and reliable place to worship.

Prayers of Petition

1. Pray for former members Chet and Dorothy Quist whose son Kevin passed away this week.
2. Continued prayers for Sandy Allen and Anne Howell's mother, who are both recovering from falls.

Contact Numbers

For information about Pioneer's programs and how
to volunteer :

Robin Van Wyk 616.432.9807

To have an announcement placed in the bulletin:
Kerri Neymeiyer 231.250.4261

800 Club Fundraiser

Squares Taken: 150, Squares Available: 650

Total Raised: \$31,526

Overall Financial Picture

Building Fund Balance: **\$279,479.32**

Estimated Building Costs: **\$542,000**

Funds Needed to Build: **\$262,520.68**

What's Going On At Pioneer

Servants for December 11, 2016

Greeters:

Nursery: (AM)

Refreshments: Verla B

Prayer Servant: Doug V

Sunday School: Program Practice

Saturday Setup: Doug V

Servants for December 18, 2016

Greeters:

Nursery: (AM)

Refreshments: Gayle F

Prayer Servant: Doug V

Sunday School:

Saturday Setup: Alvin S

Offering, November 27, 2016

General Fund: \$1593.00

Special: (Ministry Shares) \$89.00

Upcoming Events at Pioneer

December 11, Town Hall Meeting,
11:15 AM

December 15, Christmas Dinner, 6:30 PM

December 16, Women's Bible Study,
10 AM

This Week's Birthdays/Anniversaries

Wednesday, Brady Holst

Pioneer Christian Reformed Church December 11, 2016

Welcome Friends! Come join us to
love and learn about The Lord.



*"She will give birth to a son, and you
are to give him the name Jesus,
because He will save his people from
their sins." Matthew 1:21*

**Sunday Worship Services: 10:00 AM
6:00 PM**

Interim Pastor Jerry Blom 406.600.9129

Elders Art Bliss 616.696.1443
Doug Van Wyk 616.862.4398
Darryl Norquist 616.887.0664

Deacons Bob Deurloo 231.250.2267
Anne Howell 616.636.5616

*We celebrate The Lord's Supper on the
third Sunday of February, April, June,
August, October and December.
Nursery is available downstairs for
children ages 0-4.*

Visit us online: www.pioneercrc.org

Sunday Morning Worship, 10:00AM

Pastor Jerry Blom, Leading

We Gather For Worship

* **Call to Worship**

***Songs of Praise:**

Angels We Have Heard on High 278: 1-4

* **God's Greeting / We Greet Each Other**

* **Song of Praise:**

Good Christian Men, Rejoice 273: 1-3

We Celebrate the Advent Season

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Song of Response:

Joy to the World! 270: 1-4

We offer our Prayers and Gifts

We Prepare Our Hearts for Communion

Prayer and Share

Offering: 1: General Fund **2:** World Renew

Next Week: Benevolence

Children are now dismissed for Sunday School

We Hear from God's Word

Text: Matthew 1: 18-25

Title: All I Want for Christmas is Joy

***Song of Response:**

How Great Our Joy! 269: 1-4

***God Sends Us Out to Love and
Serve***

***Benediction:**

***Doxology:**

Take the Name of Jesus with You 235: 1,4

Lighting of the Advent Candle:

Speaker 1: The light glowing from our Advent wreath is burning brighter. This radiance warms our hearts and fills us with joy! The Lord has done great things for us. Let us rejoice.

Speaker 2: "May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy. Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves." Psalm 126: 5-6

Speaker 1:

Light three candles, see them glow
Brightly, so that all may know
How three candles show the way,
Making our darkness bright as God's day.

Speaker 2: Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

All: Dear God, we carry many burdens and worry over many things. Help us to hear your promise in this advent season, that in hearing, we may receive the Spirit's gift of joy. And may our spirits be kept sound at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Announcements

1. Pastor Blom has prepared daily advent devotions. The week 3 booklets are available on the back table. Each family is invited to take one and read along through the week.
2. There will be no evening services for the duration of the winter. We will resume 6 PM services in April.
3. Mark your calendars for the Pioneer Christmas dinner! It will be held on December 15th at 6:30 PM here at Cedarfield.
4. Today there will be a town hall meeting following the morning service. All are welcome to attend.
5. Thank you to Pioneer friends who offered prayers, sent condolences, called, and visited after the death of my father. Your expressions of love and care were greatly appreciated.
– Jan Holst