

**Sunday,
Dec 22nd
2024**

Volga Christian Reformed Church
Pastor: Joshua Carpenter - Phone: 269-271-8603
Sunday, December 22nd, 2024

Morning Worship 9:30 AM: Worship Leader: Pastor Joshua Carpenter
Organist: Ellie Vanden Berg
Pianist: Geraldine Runia

Prelude

Advent Candle Lighting - **LOVE**
Camden Porter

Welcome & Call to Worship - Ps. 98:1-3
Silent Prayer of Preparation
Song - PH 624 Hear our Prayer, O Lord

***Song - RB 536 Angels We Have Heard on High**

*God's Greeting
*We Greet Each Other

God's Law
Song - RB 544 God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen (Verses 1 & 2)

Congregational Prayer
Offering: Rehoboth Christian School & Budget
Children's Message

Special Music - Marion Reed & Ellie Vanden Berg, *O Holy Night*

Scripture Lesson: **Matthew 1:18-25**
Text: **Matthew 1:18-25**
Message: **God's Love on Full Display**

Prayer
***Song - RB 538 The First Noel (Verses 1-2 & 4)**
*Apostles' Creed
*God's Blessing

***Doxology: RB 530 Silent Night (Verse 3)**
Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

Welcome! On this last Sunday of Advent, we happily reach out to all who have come to approach the throne of Grace. Christmas will truly be Christmas when we center our minds on the Christ child who came to offer the world salvation and hope. Please stay for coffee and fellowship after the morning service.

Ushers for January: Cade Gross, Clyde Ulvestad; Alternate: Gene Volkers
Elevator Attendant for January: Brenda Volkers

Calendar:

Today: 9:30 AM Morning Worship
Wed: 9:30 AM Christmas Day Worship

Prayer Concerns:

1. This past week Wednesday, **Ezekiel** underwent a couple of scans and a hearing test. The results of the test that he underwent showed that he is now completely deaf in his right ear, and has mild hearing loss in his left ear so that he will need a hearing aid for it. The results of the scans showed that Ezekiel is a good candidate for receiving a cochlear implant. Thank you all for your continued prayers for us as we continue on this journey.
2. With Christmas this week, may we keep in prayer everyone who will be traveling to see family and friends, praying that the Lord would watch over and protect everyone's coming and going.

Announcements:

1. **Christmas Day Service** - This week, **Wednesday, December 25th at 9:30 AM**, we will gather together to worship our Great God, reflecting on and celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who came in order to forgive, redeem, and reconcile us, the greatest gift we could ever receive!

Looking Ahead:

1. **New Years Day Service** - On **Wednesday, January 1st at 9:30 AM**, we'll ring in the New Year together by gathering for worship to thank the Lord for His continued faithfulness, bringing us faithfully through another year as well as lifting up the year ahead to Him in prayer, praying that His will would be done through it all.

Advanced Notice: Dakota Sun Ministry for January 5th:

- In charge: Samantha Algood & Vonda Bjorklund (musician)
- To visit: Gene & Brenda Volkers, Dahl's, Tim & Verdella Gross

Our Offerings:

- December 22nd: Rehoboth Christian School & Budget
- December 25th: Christmas Day (Sleep in Heavenly Peace)
- December 29th: Building Project & Budget
- January 1st: New Year's Day (Skavadahls')

Our Council: Pastor Joshua Carpenter

- Elders: Ron Gross, Ashton Fey, Doug Post, Dale Algood
- Deacons: Will Davis, Logan Triebwasser, Dan Runia, Keith Tofte
- **e-mail address for council:** volgacccouncil@gmail.com

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Theme: _____ God's _____ to _____ us.

Passage Notes:

Application Notes:

Weekly Reflection: What are ways, through the empowering work of the Holy Spirit, that you can reflect the love God has shown you to those around you in your day-to-day life?