

WHITE CREEK CHURCH

Independent Congregational

2948 14TH Lane Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin 53965 Village of White Creek, Rural Adams County

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December 3, 2023 Morning Service Welcome to Worship

Meet and Greet Announcements Hymn 91 "I Heard the Bells On Christmas Day" Devotional - ADVENT - PEACE Praver Hymn 92 "Angels From The Realms of Glory" Offering Doxology Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men. Hymn 73 "It Is Well With My Soul" Testimonies/Prayer Requests Message Song 100 "Wonderful Peace" Prayer

CALENDAR

Sundays:	Adult Sunday Schoo	1 - 9:15 A.M.		
	Morning Service	- 10:30 A.M.		
Tuesdays:	Women's Bible Stud	ly - <mark>10:00 A.M.</mark>		
	Senior Housing Club	phouse, Adams		
Thursdays:	Men's Bible Study (<i>i</i>) Church -5:30 P.M.		
December 3 rd - Radio Play, "Miracle on 34 th Street" 2 p.m.				
Adams Community Theatre				
December 10 th - Communion Sunday celebrating JOY				
December 1	7 th - FELLOWSHIP I	DINNER		
December 24 th - Christmas Eve Service - 5 P.M.				

ADVENT

We want to thank Nancy Burdick-Seelenbinder for volunteering to lead us in observing this Advent season.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

The ladies meet on Tuesday a 10 A.M. at the Senior Housing Clubhouse behind the Library/Community Center in Adams. They are studying the Book of Acts. All ladies are invited.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Each Thursday from 5:30 to about 7:00 P.M. the men meet for Bible Study . We are studying the Gospel of Matthew. All men are welcome to attend.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Two ways you may send church-wide Christmas Cards this year:

1. Address 1 card to all members, and post it on the bulletin board in the Sunday School room.

2. Address and deliver or mail cards to each family. A list of attending families is available from Beverly.

CHURCH BOARD MEMBERS 2024

Pastor:	Sam Downey	
Clerk:	Pam Morse	
Treasurer:	Meryl Lanphear	
Deacons:	Martin Sytsma	
	Stuart Burdick	Moderator
Trustees:	Larry Smith	
	Skip Collins	
	David Seelenbinder	
Missions Di	rector:	

Beverly Downey

Other Officers :

Custodian - Meryl Lanphear Sunshine Person - Anna Sytsma

If there is anything that needs consideration by the Church Board, please notify a Board member.



REFERENCE:

December Birthdays and Anniversaries

Pat Townsend 2 Chelle Sytsma 3 Herb Babcock 15 Ava Clausen 16 Michael Smith 20 Gary Bacon 30 Remi Clausen 31

Martin and Anna Sytsma 12 Travis & Michelle Clausen 14

Matt & Kathy Anderson 18 Sam & Beverly Downey 23

Please let us know about additions or corrections.

NEW YEARS EVE SERVICE

If we have a service on Sunday evening, New Years Eve, will you attend? 6 p.m. to ???? Attendance has dwindled through the years, plus being Sunday night, what would meet your need?

ISAIAH 26:12

The coming of Christ into the world was heralded by the angel of God, who proclaimed peace and goodwill to men. Modern scholars have offered a different interpretation of the Greek, which renders the phrase as, "peace on earth to men of goodwill." While the effort to help us understand God's Word better is laudable, this rendering misses the point altogether. In fact, this reading of Scripture may lead people to believe that if we who are good at heart just try to be nice and do better, it will bring peace to the earth.

Jesus said, in Matthew 10:34, that he did not come to send peace, but a sword. The angel announced that peace with God would be available to those who received the Messiah, and allow His sword to excise evil from their hearts. They would then cease being the enemy of God and become a child of God. Being at peace with God, these new creations in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17) would then experience the peace of God, emanating from their inner-most being by the indwelling Holy Spirit. Of course, this would cause extreme discomfort to the enemy and his minions, and we would lose the ability, and desire, to make peace with this evil world. Can't have it both ways!

Pastor Sam

PRAYER LIST

"Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." Romans 8:26

Susan Burdick Sonny and Patrick

Kathy

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Advent Blessings

"LORD. YOU ESTABLISH PEACE FOR US: