

LEOTA COMMUNITY CHURCH

December 15, 2024

The Third Sunday of Advent

WE APPROACH OUR GOD

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

The Lighting of the 3rd Advent Candle – Ivan & Sandy Schelhaas

* Song of Praise *“Joy to the World”*

Profession of Faith – Madison Christians

Ministry in Music by Madison Christians *“3:16”*

Congregational Prayer

* Hymn of Preparation *“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”*

* Offertory Prayer

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture: **Luke 2:8-20, Hebrews 2:9-10**

Message: **Approaching Christmas with Sacrifice**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

* Closing Song *“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”*

* Benediction

* Postlude

Sunday Evening – Pastor Stephen Wynja

Scripture: **1 John 4:7-12**

Message: **The Gift of Love**

Offering Ebenezer: General Fund/Tuition Need **Next Sunday:** General Fund/Atlas

Offering Bethel: General Fund **Next Sunday:** General Fund/Benevolent Fund

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH & SERVICE

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| TODAY | 11:15 AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 6:30 PM | Evening Worship Service |
| MONDAY | 1:30 PM | Communion at Edgebrook |
| NEXT SUNDAY | 9:00 AM | No Sunday School Classes |
| | 9:30 AM | Prayer Gathering |
| | 10:00 AM | Morning Worship Service |
| | 11:15 AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 6:30 PM | Candlelight Service |

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Congratulations to **Cynthia De Boer** who celebrates her 92nd birthday on December 16th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome, everyone to Leota Community Church! We are so glad you have chosen to join us today as we worship the Lord together and have fellowship! We hope that you feel right at home.

EVERYONE is invited to join us for fellowship and refreshments after the morning service.

UpComing Services at Leota Community Church

- * Candlelight Service – Sunday, December 22 during the evening worship service.
- * Christmas Morning Service – Wednesday, December 25 at Bethel. It starts at 10 a.m.
- * Ordination & Installation of Elder & Deacon – Sunday, Jan 5 at the morning worship.
- * Next Church Board Meeting – Monday, January 6 at 7:00 p.m. (Ebenezer)

Sunday School News – There will be no classes on December 22 & 29. Classes will resume on January 5.

The Elders Training Course is finished. All the lessons have been covered. Thanks to all who attended this special class!

The Wednesday Evening Activities will resume on January 8.

Please hand in items for the **January Newsletter**. Deadline is next Sunday, December 22.

Ebenezer's **Thanksgiving offering** was \$8,330.00.

SWC K-8 Christmas Concert - Monday, December 16 at 7:00pm at the Elementary Gym. The SWC Elementary and Junior High students invite you to a night of Christmas joy! The evening will include a variety of lively and elegant musical selections all focused on our Lord and Savior born to us in a manger. A few of these selections are: What Child is This, Go Tell It on the Mountain, In the Bleak Midwinter, and Carol of the Bells. We look forward to an evening spent sharing our student's God-given gifts!

A Night of Christmas - We invite you to enjoy an evening of beautiful Christmas music in a variety of musical acts. Enjoy both vocal numbers as well as instrumental pieces including flute, violin and piano. The program is on **Thursday, December 19 at 7pm at First CRC of Edgerton.**

Circle #5 will be having a **Burger Feed** on December 19 from 5:00-7:30. The boys basketball team will be playing HBC at home, so come on out and enjoy a burger before the game, all while supporting SWC. A burger meal will include a burger and all the fixings, chips, homemade bar and a drink for \$8.00.

Please get all announcements to Sandy by Thursday @12:00 p.m. at isschelhaas@gmail.com or call 507-215-6832.