

## Announcements

**Gratitude** During the month of November we focus on gratitude and thanks to the source of all good, our heavenly Father. Take time this month to write your thanks on a leaf and hang it on the Gratitude Tree in the Hub.

**Small Groups** Interested in leading or joining a small group? Looking for small group resources? If you are thinking about a small group, contact Julie B ([julie@cascadefellowship.org](mailto:julie@cascadefellowship.org)) to indicate interest and/or to review church's collection of DVDs and study guides.

**Annual Congregational Meeting** Our annual Congregational Meeting to affirm the 2018 budget is Sunday, December 10, after morning worship. Important information will be in mailboxes December 3. Please note, CRC Synod 2016 called for a task force to "re-imagine" the ministry share system, including possibly changing the basis on which ministry shares are calculated. In light of this our Council has voted to maintain our Ministry Share giving at 80% until the denomination completes their study.

**Festival of Lessons & Carols** Join the Evening Gathering Sunday, Dec. 10, at 6pm for this Christmas worship tradition and a catered chicken dinner. For reservations contact Nancy VN or Marylou L.

**Winter Travelers** To keep up with church news while out of town this winter, please notify the church office of your winter address and the dates you will be gone. The office will send the contents of your mailbox each month. You may read the bulletin online ([cascadefellowship.org](http://cascadefellowship.org)) or request the office mail you a printed bulletin weekly.

## Directory Change

## THIS WEEK

### Sunday

9:00am Sunday School  
9:30am Prayer (CG #6, Prayer Room, #201)  
10:30am Worship (UWC & LWC)  
12:00pm Meal (Hosts: CG#2)  
3:30pm Middle School Youth Ministry  
6:00pm High School Youth Ministry  
6:00pm Evening Gathering

### Monday

6:30pm GriefShare  
7:00pm Worship Rehearsal (Thanksgiving)

### Tuesday

7:00am Men's Bible Study at Gathering Place  
6:55pm Bible Study Fellowship (Men)  
7:00pm Ministering Elders Board Meeting  
7:00pm Women's Min. Leadership Team Mtg

### Wednesday

7:00pm Worship Rehearsal (UWC)

### Thursday

10:00am Thanksgiving Worship

### Friday

Office Closed

### Sunday

9:30am Prayer (CG #7, Prayer Room, #201)  
10:30am Worship (UWC)

### Looking Ahead

December 10 Festival of Lessons & Carols  
December 17 Children's Christmas Program  
December 24 Christmas Eve Worship, 5pm

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# Cascade Fellowship

## Christian Reformed Church

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### Welcome

We welcome you in worship today as, with hearts full of gratitude and mouths filled with praise, we worship our Lord, the giver of all good things.

If you are visiting today, we invite you to stop at the Information Center to find out about our ministries and activities.

Please enjoy refreshments and fellowship after the worship service. Guests and college students are invited to a meal after worship in the Cascade Room (lower level).

**Mission and Vision** Our mission is to love God, love people, and make disciples wherever we go. Our vision is to see lives transformed by the Good News of Jesus Christ.

### Nursery & Children's Worship

**Nursery** is available on the lower level for infants through two-year-olds. A nursing room is also available for mothers. Our **Children's Worship** program provides age-appropriate worship for children age three through 1st grade. Children are dismissed from the Worship Centers early in the worship service and should be checked in at Check-In Centers. Parents, please pick up your children personally using the parent card after the service.

### Today in Worship

Message: Fulfilling God's Good Purpose  
Pastor James Karsten

Scripture: Philippians 2:12-18

Praise: *Because of Your Love*  
*King of My Heart*  
*How Great Is Our God*  
*Come, All Christians, Be Committed*

**TRANSFORMING  
LIVES TOGETHER**  
Focusing on Missions

### Special Offerings

Today: External Ministries Fund  
Next Sunday:  
Christian School Tuition  
Assistance Fund

### Worship Notes

This morning we conclude a two-week Mission Focus as we consider our larger mission to reach those who have not heard the good news of Jesus Christ. This morning we begin collecting pledges for our 2018 Faith Promise Missions in support of our missionaries. We collect pledges through the end of the year.

Questions about the Christian Reformed World Missions agency (now known as Resonate Global Missions)? Stop by the Missions display in the Hub to talk with Kyle V. You can also stop by for the latest newsletters from missionaries, to sign up for email communications from any of our missionaries, or to share a mission trip idea.

**Thanksgiving Worship** Join in giving thanks to the Giver of all good things Thanksgiving Day at 10am (note time) in the Upper Worship Center. We praise Him and show our gratitude in worship and the offering of gifts monetary and physical as we collect non-perishable foods for ACCESS 6 food pantry. Monetary offerings support the Mobile Fresh Food Pantries of Cascade Fellowship and Community CRC.

### Adult Ministries

**Adult Sunday School** No Sunday School next week. Join us beginning December 3 for a series on Advent.

**Evening Gathering** Join us this evening at 6pm in the Cascade Room for praise, prayer, teaching, and fellowship. Dr. Dick H leads tonight, teaching on the biblical answer to the question "Why do bad things happen to good people?". No Gathering next week.

### Children's & Youth Ministries

**Sunday School** No Sunday School next week, November 26. We resume December 3.

• **Middle School and High School Youth** This Sunday we celebrate Thanksgiving at youth group! Both middle school and high school meet at their regular times (3:30 for Middle; 6:00 for High). Come out for some great games, snacks, and a Bible Study!

• **Winter Retreat** Today is the final day to register for the middle school and high school retreats. The registration link is in your email. Didn't receive it? Talk with Eric today!

### Opportunities to Serve

• **Refugee Family Needs** A baby girl is coming! The Congolese refugee family is having a baby in the next two weeks. If you have or wish to donate infant items, please place them in the pack-n-play crib across from the nursery. To determine specific needs, please email Laura C.

• **Operation Santa Claus** Shopping day is November 27 at 8:30am. If you can help, please call Donna or Kathy by November 18. Future dates: sorting is December 1 at 8:30am; wrapping is December 6 at 1:00pm (call Donna); and final wrap and delivery are December 15 at 8:30am.

• **Dégagé Ministries** Cold weather is upon us and Dégagé Ministries has an extreme shortage of blankets! The Service Deacons are collecting blankets to help those less fortunate stay warm this winter. Please drop new or gently used blankets in the collection box in the Hub.

• **Exam Bags** Help show love to our college students with special treats at exam time. Can you help purchase, assemble, or distribute? Contact Julie B (Julie@cascadefellowship.org or 949-4342).

• **Practice Hospitality (Romans 12:13)** Offer a meal to college students on the next First Sunday, December 3. Hosts and students, please sign up today at the bulletin board in the Hub. Questions? Contact Julie B, 949-4342 or julie@cascadefellowship.org.