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# DECEMBER 26, 2021

## WORSHIP SONGS

Joy To The World (Unspeakable Joy)

O Holy Night

Jesus Messiah

O Praise The Name (Anástasis)

Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

## SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

Luke 2:8-15

Romans 5:12-21

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

## MESSAGE

**The Message of The Manger**

Pastor Jon VanderWall

## TODAY AT HCC

9:30 am - Worship

10:45 am - Coffee Fellowship



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

**GIVING ENVELOPES** are in mailboxes for those who use them. Some numbers have changed, so please only use the 2022 envelopes starting January 2. If you didn't receive a packet but would like one, please talk to Kathy (hcrc@sbcglobal.net or 269-793-7361).

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS** will be limited between December 27 - January 3. Please email Kathy (hcrc@sbcglobal.net) if there is a need that arises during this time, or feel free to text or call (616-890-2227).

**HOPKIDS is looking to add a few more faces!** Do you like to sing? If you are 2nd grade or older, Hopkids could really use your voice. Please talk to Mary Hunderman (616-570-7173) if you would like to have more information or to join Hopkids. We will sing again in January.

**YOUTH PROFESSION OF FAITH:** If you are currently in 6th grade through young adult age and you'd like to make your public profession of faith (if you haven't yet) - this process is for you! Students will be paired up with an adult mentor from HCC and meet 6-8 times in February, March and April to discuss the basics about the Christian faith, what it means to be a follower of Jesus, what the Sacraments teach us about God, and how to use our unique spiritual gifts for the glory of God! Students will also work with their mentor to create a presentation/creative way to share their faith story with the HCC elders. Students, Families, and Adult Mentors, please check out the Profession of Faith Process sheet and talk to Caleb or email him with any questions. Meet your Mentor/Mentee Gathering will be on Sunday, February 6, and Profession of Faith Sunday will be Sunday, May 8. Adults - if you are willing to be a mentor, please talk to Caleb! The amount of students that sign up will determine the amount of adult mentors we need for these 1-on-1 relationships. Making profession of faith is a big step; take some time to read the information, talk to your parents, and pray!

**YEAR-END GIVING:** Donations/tithes should be received today or be brought to the church office by December 31. Mailed donations need to be postmarked on or before December 31 to be included for 2021.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS continued...

**THE NEXT RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE will be on January 11, 2022.**

We are excited to host a blood drive at church every 8 weeks again during 2022!

Please sign up to donate at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org). Sign-ups for this are important as walk-ins are never guaranteed a spot.

### HCC COMMUNICATIONS:

We continue to refine and streamline our communications, working to move toward our app as a single platform for all things HCC. Please sign up for the "HCC Communications" group by going to the app and searching for it in the "Groups" tab. We will be working to add all members to this group over the next few weeks to better streamline communications. You can also follow the link below to find the group: [hopkinscommunity.churchcenter.com/groups/information-communication/hcc-communications](http://hopkinscommunity.churchcenter.com/groups/information-communication/hcc-communications)

### HCC MISSION AND VISION:

HCC continues to move forward in our Mission and Vision. As we do so, we are continually evaluating our work and growth. Each year, we will do an assessment to get a sense of where HCC is, what strengths we have, and what areas are ripe for growth. With that in mind, we invite you to take our Ministry Mission Metrics assessment. You can find it on the home page in the church app or follow the link below: [hopkinscommunity.churchcenter.com/people/forms/328387](http://hopkinscommunity.churchcenter.com/people/forms/328387)

### THANK YOU:

"Bethany, our girls and I would like to express our heartfelt thanks for the abundance of cards, gifts, words of encouragement, and the Pastor Appreciation gifts that we have received throughout the last several months. We continue to be deeply blessed by this community of faith and are grateful to God for each and every one of you. It is an honor and a privilege to be part of both Hopkins Community Church and the Hopkin community."

Pastor Jon & Bethany  
Aniah, Elora, and Amaris

## THOUGHTS FOR REFLECTION

WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

“Jesus is the Reason for the Season” is what we like to say. Some have even fought to keep the “Christ” in Christmas and pushed back against just calling it “the holidays”. We celebrated Christmas yesterday because of the Incarnation (God putting on human flesh) of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, our Messiah, Savior, and Lord. Without Him, there is very little to celebrate. Without Christ, they say, it would just be “mas”... which ironically (and aptly) simply means “more” in some languages.

We have been, rightly, intent on keeping God at the center of the Holidays. We give thanks to God the Father, we celebrate the birth of Christ, and we seek the Holy Spirit’s continual guidance as we enter into a new year. Yet it is often perplexing how hard we work to keep other things in our holiday celebrations as well. The Gospel is the Good News of Jesus, of God’s grace and mercy toward us. Yet we insist, we even spend energy and time, on holiday stuff that actually teaches the opposite of what the Gospel is. One has to wonder... why?

### Questions To Take Home:

1. What are some of your favorite Holiday traditions? Do you know how they got started in your family? Have you ever taken a moment to stop and think about what the message behind the tradition is? What messages are being taught through them?
2. Santa is one of the figureheads of the secular Christmas holiday. What does the idea of Santa teach our children? How does this contrast with the message of Jesus Christ?
3. As we think about the New Year, where do you feel God calling you to make moves or to settle down? Are there things He is calling you to take up or lay down? How will you respond to His call on your life in 2022?

## VOLUNTEER MINISTRY

DECEMBER 2021 & JANUARY 2022

### DECEMBER 26

**Greeters:** Teunissen Family, Marvin Family

**Coffee Fellowship:** Teunissen Family (cookies: Pam Hennip)

**Nursery:** Terri Maule and Nathalia Tardin

**WOW:** No WOW

### JANUARY 2, 2022

**Greeters:** Maule Family, Poll Family

**Coffee Fellowship:** Dewey Family (cookies: Eileen Kitler)

**Nursery:** Amanda Sal and Emma Weber

**WOW:** Hope Reurink, Tally Laarman, Cole Wamhoff

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

### TODAY AT HCC

9:30 AM           Worship Service  
10:45 AM           Coffee Fellowship

### MONDAY

9:00 AM           Bible Study

### THURSDAY

5:30 PM           Praise Team practice  
7:00 PM           Expectancy

### SATURDAY

Sally Burgess Family (MP Room/Kitchen)

## GIVING

General Fund gifts received for 12/19 –12/24:           \$10,160.22  
Weekly Missional Expenses:                                 \$ 8,075.06

## PRAYER

WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

**Please pray for those who continue to battle various illnesses in our church and community. Pray that the rising infections from Covid will start to decline here in Michigan and around our country.**

**Remember those in Mayfield, Kentucky (and other communities) as they mourn the loss of life and property following the devastating tornado on December 10. Pray for families and friends who have lost loved ones. Pray for the volunteers who are giving their time and resources assisting with clean-up efforts there. Pray for the process of healing and recovery as they move forward from the loss and devastation.**

- **Louise Allen** (Carol Boverhof's sister) is doing well with her chemo treatments every week and is also receiving physical therapy for her arm to regain better use following surgery.
- **Jeff Antvelink** (Suzanne's brother-in-law) is now at Mary Free Bed for rehabilitation following his hospital stay from Covid. Praying that he may regain strength and be home to celebrate Christmas!
- **Kim Barck's brother-in-law Barry** was able to return home. Prayers for him are still needed and appreciated!
- **Carol Boverhof** is slowing regaining strength. She was able to eliminate the need for oxygen this past week. Please continue to pray for full healing and return to normal activity for Carol as this has been a slow process. Thank you all for your continued prayers!
- **Leon Huff** (Hollie Roblyer's father) began receiving chemotherapy again this past week.
- **Jill (Mele) Jackson** recently had a scan to see if the radiation seeds have taken care of the cancer. Pray that the scan is clear and that no further treatment is needed.
- **Dave and Cindy Kukor** as they continues to recuperate from Covid. Cindy is off oxygen and dealing with mostly fatigue and stamina issues. Dave remains on oxygen and will likely be off work for awhile yet.
- **Zack Marvin** has been dealing with a blood clot in his lung following a Covid infection. Pray for this to resolve with no lasting side effects and that he will experience full healing and restoration of health.
- **Chad and Amanda Sal's family** as they mourn the loss of Amanda's cousin, Jessica, who passed away following complications from contracting Covid. She leaves behind a husband and 7 children, including a newborn baby delivered early due to complications from Covid.