

Opportunities to Serve at Prosper

Nursery (for children up to around age 3)

Today Infant Amy DeZeeuw, Erin J. Koetje, Katelyn Buning
Toddler Kenda Rivera, Jessica Nielsen, Tyler Koetje
Evening Denise Rozema, Haley Buning, Morgan DeRuiter

Dec 16 Infant Julie Rozeveld, SesiLee Cnossen, Karri Hamilton
Toddler Jaime Haskin, Diane DeZeeuw, Aidan Koetje
Evening No Evening Nursery

Dec 23 Infant Melissa Ebels, Lynae Gernaat, Karrissa Hamilton
Toddler Brenda Peña, Chris Bode, Joseph Gandolfi
Evening Kay Diemer, Ellen Rozema

Christmas—Infant Chris Dick, Kelly Koetje, Lily Sullivan
Toddler Susan Dick, Holly Hamilton, Wayne Roper Jr.

Greeters Today John & Bonna Baas, Bernard & Shirley Brinks

Dec 16 Curt & Chris Bode, Joel & Carla Brummel
Dec 23 Ron & Barb Brinks, Matt & SesiLee Cnossen

Christmas Sound Today Gary Gandolfi

Dec 16 Keith Dick
Dec 23 Eric Baas
Christmas Kyle VanHaitsma

Power Point Today Dave Ebels
Dec 16 Becky Dick
Dec 23 Erik VanHouten
Christmas Diane Koster

Camera Today Cameron Baas
Dec 16 Logan Roper
Dec 23 Emily DeRuiter
Christmas Collin DeKam

Children's Message Today No Children's Message
Dec 16 Betsy Rozeveld
Dec 23 Pastor Dirk

Ushers - Head Usher: Harold Cnossen
Dec: Randy DeZeeuw, Dave Ebels, Russ Rodenbaugh
Jan: Curt Bode, Mark DeZeeuw, Gord Dick

Security Today Jeremy Hamilton
Dec 16 Carl Dick
Dec 23 Gary Gandolfi
Christmas Henry Diemer

Sunday School Elder Today Dale Brinks
Dec 16 Ben Sullivan
Children's Church - Coordinator: Betsy Rozeveld
Today (for children ages 3-5 years)
Dec 9 Teachers: Sally Baas, Sue Yount, Lily Sullivan, Avery DeRuiter

Dec 16 Teacher: Mary DeKam, Jamie DeKam, Morgan DeRuiter, Tyler Koetje
Dec 23 Teacher: Megan Gladu, Leeann Bode, Haley Buning, Riley Brinks

Coffee Servers Today **AM:** Manuel & Amberly Mejia, Allison Marcusse, Diane Koster
PM: The Fellowship Committee
Dec 16 Allan & Kathy Lucas, Greg & Pam LaFrance
Dec 23 Todd & Erin Koetje, Al & Carol Koster

Cookies Today **AM:** Diane D, Karen D, Becky D, Carolyn D, Chris D, Jeanette D, Karlene D
PM: Lynnae D, Susan D, Kay D, Alex D, Jamie D, Marjon D, Dawn E

Dec 16 Gayle Ebels, Kathy Ebels, Melissa Ebels, Tawnya Ebels, Vicki Ebels, Kaycee Elsholz, Lori Evans
Dec 23 Tami Jo Gandolfi, Lynae Gernaat, Val Gibbons, Megan Gladu, Lynette Gladu, Holly Hamilton, Dorwayne Hamilton

Nursery Cleaner for Dec is Carla Brummel



Welcome to Worship at Prosper Christian Reformed Church!

Today is the Second Sunday of Advent, a season which prepares us for celebrating Jesus' birth. If you are a visitor, please stay for coffee and cookies in the Fellowship Room after the morning service; we'd love to get to know you!

This morning, from Matthew 2, we will meet the very first Christmas Grinch. We will also celebrate Communion. This Lord's Supper is a sacrament of grace. It is deeply personal, but never private. If you believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for your sins, desire to be more and more like Christ, and are a professing member of a Bible believing church, YOU are welcome at the table of the Lord.

CHRISTMAS Cantata **This evening, 6pm**, join us for a Christmas Cantata, "Behold A Savior", performed by the area Community Choir. A time of coffee and fellowship will follow. The offering will be for Adventure Nights, a community VBS program. Childcare is provided for children ages 3 and younger.

Next Sunday, 6pm, is our Children's Christmas Program. We give thanks to God for our children, for their abilities, talents and their love for Jesus! Invite your neighbors, family and friends.



Prayers of Prosper

- ◆ *Please pray boldly for Prosper Church!*
- ◆ Pray for Sunday School children, their teachers and the program directors as they practice for the Children's Christmas Program.

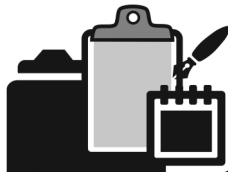
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- ◆ Remember our members who find it difficult to worship with us: June Boven, Betty DeKam, Eleanor Ebels, Bob Jenema, Millie Jenema, Marian Zinger, Cynthia Bazuin and Clara Squires.
- ◆ Pray for our College Student of the Week: Cory Rozeveld. Pray for all our College Students as they will have many late nights finishing papers and studying for exams. Pray that in their busyness they stay close to Jesus!
- ◆ We thank God for our young families and praise him for the gift of life! Pray for our expectant mother, Brittany Laughlin.
- ◆ The Holiday Season can be a difficult time for many people. In the midst of all the activities, some live with grief, others with depressed spirits, and others are harried by the busyness of the season. Pray often for the Spirit's comfort and strength for us all in this time.
- Pray for healing and comfort for...**
- Greg LaFrance- We praise God that the spot found behind his eye, is not cancer
- Rich DeZeeuw is in a lot of pain and needs to rest. The doctors ask that at this time there not be any visitors
- Kim DeRuiter, dealing with a neurological disorder and the side-effects from the treatments she's receiving
- Bruce DeKam is in the hospital with heart issues and having tests done
- Continue to pray for healing for Zach Pluger. He is in very critical condition
- Jennifer Burkholder will have another round of chemo soon.

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Dec 9, 2018



Council Notes

From the meeting on December 2, 2018...

- We were blessed with the interview for Profession of Faith by *Caleb Cnossen* (mentor Greg LaFrance) and *Kasia Vasser* (mentors Keith and Becky Dick). They will publicly profess their faith in the near future.
- Mark Shaarda, Mike Yount, Joel Brummel and Russ Rodenbaugh were welcomed as new Council members. Thanks were also given to outgoing members: Dale Brinks, Jeremy Hamilton, Mark Buning and Gary Gladu. Please be in prayer for Council during this transition time.
- We will *not* have an evening service on December 23.
- Installation for new council members is Sun, Jan 6, 2019.
- On January 13, 2019, Pastor Rich Langton will lead our morning service as Pastor Dirk will be involved at the ordination of Todd Kuperus, pastor of Lucas CRC.

A note from the Building and Development Committee's meeting on Dec 4—

We are currently working on a site master plan. Our first priority is to rework and expand the parking lot. We have a workable plan and have been speaking with contractors regarding this portion of the project.

Please pray for wisdom for this committee as they proceed and look at the best options and needs for our church. Pray for unity and that we put our own agendas aside, seeking God's will for His Kingdom at Prosper. Those on the committee are: Larry DeRuiter, Kelly Taylor, Eric Baas, Henry Diemer, Dale Brinks, Becky Dick, Linda Koetje and Ben Sullivan.



Special Offerings for:
TODAY: AM: Our Missionaries
PM: Adventure Nights
Dec 16: Mission Service Fund

Dec 2, 2018
 Total weekly budget: \$6,794.19
 Actual collected: \$5,362.00



The greatest truth of Christmas is that the gift has already been given for you! In the birth of a child is the hope of the world.

FOR TO US A SON IS GIVEN



OUR CHURCH SCHEDULE December 9-15, 2018



SUNDAY

- 9:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE**
- 10:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL/CATECHISM**
- 5:15 PM CANTATA PRACTICE *note time change****
- 6:00 PM CHRISTMAS CANTATA— "Behold A Savior"**
- 7:00 PM J.A.M. - at Falmouth Community Center**

TUESDAY

- 7:00 PM WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY

- 1:30 PM LADIES AFTERNOON CHRISTMAS MEETING**
- 6:00 PM GEMS—at Church**
- 7:00 PM MENS BIBLE STUDY -at the BARN**

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:

- Today Mary E. DeKam
Keith VanHaitsma
- Wednesday Jerry Agema
Mila Peña
Paige Schoo
- Saturday Cora Dick

Happy Anniversary to:

- Today:
Keith & Char VanHaitsma
- Tuesday:
Dale & Bonnie Brinks
Todd & Bobbie DeRuiter

Small Groups at Prosper

Care Group #3 will meet Sat, Jan 12, 6:30 at Church. Please study lesson 12.

Ladies Afternoon Bible Study will have their Christmas meeting THIS Wed, Dec 12, 1:30pm at Church. Please take a snack to share and also a reading, poem or game.

Men's Bible Study will meet THIS Wed, Dec 12, 7pm at the BARN. Please study lesson 3, "The Relationship Between Faith and Works."

Women's Evening Bible Study will have their Christmas potluck on Thurs, Dec 20, 7pm at Linda C's home. *note day change. Please bring a dish to pass and a favorite Christmas story, poem, verse to share.