



Rockpoint

COMMUNITY CHURCH

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“Pointing people to life through Jesus Christ”

Sunday, December 22, 2024

“LOVE – The Father’s Delight”

Luke 1:57-80, page 856

Pastor Jim Bushoven



Connect with us!

WELCOME ROCKPOINT!

*We pray that you will have a meaningful encounter with God as we worship our Lord together! **Please join us in Fellowship Hall for a time of coffee and bagels immediately following the service this morning.** We extend a special welcome to anyone visiting with us today!*

KIDS WORSHIP: Kids will enjoy our ministries designed for every age to learn more about Jesus! [Pebbles Nursery](#) is for children ages birth-2 and is located in **Room 101**. **Preschool ROCK** is available for preschool children ages 2-5 throughout the service in **Room 103**. Children in grades K-5 are welcome at Kid's ROCK located in our **Lower Level, Room B01**. They are dismissed after participating in morning worship. Safe and secure check in for ages 2-5th grade is located in our lobby. Guests are invited to attend! **SUNDAY SCHOOL** will resume on January 5, 2025. **ROCK YOUTH GROUP:** Middle School 5-7pm, High School 7-9pm on Sunday evenings.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

We extend our sincere Christian sympathy to Sue Ann Dyk and the entire family on the passing away of beloved husband, father, and grandfather, **John**, on Monday, December 16.

Continue to pray for comfort, peace and strength for **Ruth Aupperlee** who is recuperating from bladder surgery.

Pray for comfort, strength and healing for those with cancer: **Michael Ays, Ruth Aupperlee, Tara Breur, Luann De Young, Faith Noah, Lorinda Leon, Deb Steyling, Lynn Stalter, and Marina.**

Pray for our shut in members and for those with ongoing medical concerns, such as **Joanne de Bruyn, Rea DeHaan, John Dyk, Marilyn Gardenier, Phyllis Schuurman, and Audrey Vogel.**

Service of Lessons & Carols

Prelude

Call to Worship

Lighting of LOVE Advent Candle by the Cabrera Family

Solo by Liam Cabrera – *Once in Royal David's City*

LESSON 1: Genesis 3:8-15

Reader: (Ukrainian & Russian) Mischa Shevstov

Song: *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

LESSON 2: Genesis 22:15-18

Reader: Hannah Smith

Song: *O Come O Come Emmanuel

(Children dismissed for Kids Rock)

LESSON 3: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Reader: (Spanish) Sandra Cabrera

Rockpoint Orchestra: *The Holly and the Ivy*

LESSON 4: Micah 5:2-4

Reader: (Dutch) Hans de Bruyn

Song: *O Little Town of Bethlehem

LESSON 5: Luke 1:26-38

Reader: Lillian Cirrito

Solo by Hannah Smith: *Labor of Love*

LESSON 6: Matthew 1:18-23

Reader: Jonathan Dykman

Rockpoint Orchestra: *Ding Dong Merrily on High*

Lesson 7: Luke 2:8-16

Reader: Caitlin Macy, (ASL) Faith Tanis

Song: *Angels from the Realms of Glory

LESSON 8: Matthew 2:1-11

Reader: (Mandarin) Juan Song

Offering

Solo by Jane Stelpstra - *In the Bleak Midwinter*

Congregational Prayer

LESSON 9: Luke 1:57-80

Reader: Pastor Jim Bushoven

REFLECTION: LOVE - The Father's Delight

Song: *Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Closing Blessing

Postlude

***Stand, if you are able**

JOLLY JAMBOREE! (PEBBLES JUNCTION): Come for a fun morning at our winter-themed playgroup for kids ages 10 and under from 9:30–11am on Friday, December 27.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Fellowship Team needs a few people willing to pick up the bagels on Sunday mornings. This is a small but very helpful commitment! Please see Cindy Braunius for more information.

WORSHIP SERVICE CANCELLATIONS: If our services must be canceled due to stormy weather, a notice will be posted on our website (www.therockpoint.org), Realm, and text. If you would like to be part of Rockpoint’s text notifications, text the word PRAY to 833-511-0859.

**Join us in celebrating the birth of our Savior on
Christmas Day at 10am!** *(Nursery only will be provided)*



LIFE TEAM SCHEDULE

	Today, 12/22	Christmas	Sunday, 12/29
SECURITY <i>Lead</i> <i>Assist</i>	Steve Peters Tim Bartlam	Jeff Ten Kate	Curt Carlough John Minicozzi
PEBBLES	Amanda & Brooklyne	Julie McCombs	
LITTLE ROCK	Ellen, Angel		Becky, Everett
KIDS ROCK	Sheri, Emily C, Emily M, Leigha, Josie, Colin		Sheri, Elizabeth Sarah, Emily