



**The LIGHT
Shines in the
DARKNESS...**

January 5, 2019

10:30 am • Pastor Ryan Boes

Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

We are a purposeful community transformed by the love of God and engaging the world with the grace and truth of Jesus through the practice of Christian hospitality.

We welcome you into our community and our lives. Following this morning's worship, we invite you to join us for a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall.

Babies & Young Children

- A nursery for children 2 years and younger is next to the kitchen off of the Fellowship Hall. Following Children's Time in the service, 3, 4, and 5-year-old children, who have not yet started Kindergarten, are invited to continue worshiping in room 29.
- Families who have children entering "big church" for the first time, children ages 5-7, or visitors may get their worship bags off the hooks outside the nursery.
- Children's ages 7-9 are invited to pick up their worship bulletin from the back of the sanctuary.

Aids to Worship

Hearing assistance devices are available in the narthex. Please ask our greeters for assistance.



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worship order

We Gather to Worship the Triune God

Prelude: *Arise, Shine, for Your Light Has Come*

Jered McKenna

***God's Greeting & Call to Worship**

***Song:** *Center*

Charlie Hall, Matt Redmond

*Oh, Christ, be the center of our lives,
Be the place we fix our eyes,
Be the center of our lives.*

You're the center of the universe.
Everything was made in you, Jesus.
Breath of every living thing,
everyone was made for you.

You hold everything together.
You hold everything together.

Refrain

We lift our eyes to heaven.
We wrap our lives around your life.
We lift our eyes to heaven, to you.

***Hymn:** *Arise, Shine, for Your Light Is Come*

Red Hymnal 103:1

***Prayer of Confession (unison):**

At the beginning of this calendar year,
we bring to you the beginnings and the ends of ourselves.
We bring our incompleteness--
our brokenness and pain that needs your wholeness.
We bring our darkness and sin that needs your healing light.
The light of your son, Jesus.
Shine upon us Lord, and make us whole.

***Song of Assurance:** *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face.
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.

***We Pass Christ's Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Please stand if you are able.

Children's Blessing

(3-5-year-old children are invited to continue worshiping in room 29.)

We Present our Gifts & Offerings for...The Lord's work through AACRC

Offertory

We Are Fed by God's Word and Table

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon: "The Gift of Grace"

Pastor Ryan Boes

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

Communion

This morning we celebrate communion. All who love Jesus Christ, trust in him alone for their salvation, and agree to be his disciple are invited to join with us in this celebration.

With thanks and joy, take the bread and dip it into the cup. If you are unable to proceed to the front of the sanctuary to partake of communion, remain seated and the elements will be brought to you.

Communion Songs:

As with Gladness Men of Old

Red Hymnal 105

Arise, Your Light Is Come

Red Hymnal 102

Arise, Shine, for Your Light Has Come

Jered McKenna

Arise, shine, for your light has come
And the glory of God is on you.
Arise, see, when the earth grows dark
That the Lord will arise upon you.
The Lord will arise upon you.

*Nations will come to your light.
Lift up your eyes and see.
We'll gather together and come to you
And your love will be all that we know.
Your love will be all that we know.*

Arise, come, to the open gates
For the father is welcoming you.
Fear not for the Lord brings peace
And redemption to all who believe.
Redemption to all who believe.

*Nations will come to your light.
Lift up your eyes and see.
We'll gather together and come to you
And your love will be all that we know.
Your love will be all that we know.*

The sun will not shine 'cause you'll be
All the light that we need.
And violence will end all the wars
That we wage will cease.

We will glorify your name.
We will glorify your name.

Prayers of the People

We Go Out in God's Peace

***We Receive God's Parting Blessing**

***Sending Song:** *Arise, Shine, for Your Light Has Come*

Jered McKenna

***Postlude**

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New to Ann Arbor or AACRC?

- Would you like to be added to our weekly email, Connections?
- Are you interested in having an assigned church mailbox to receive flyers and communications?
- Would you like to be added into our online Church Directory?

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TRUTH

Please contact Rachel in the church office: office@aacrc.org or 734.665.0105

next sunday • jan. 12

Faith Formation Hour • 9:15 am

- Nursery (Infants through 2 years old)
 - Preschool (3 & 4 year olds) - Room 27
 - Kid Connection (K-5th Grade) - Room 23
 - 6th Grade - Room 13
 - 7th-8th Grade - Room 12
 - Reach (9th-12th Grade) - Springhill Retreat (Jan. 10-12)
 - BESEL (Believers with Christian Seekers who speak English as a Second Language) - Room 17, Heidelberg Catechism Study in English mixed in with Cultural Adjustment and Settlement for the Immigrants in the Promised Land and Beyond, HeonSoo Lee, Naomi Nah and Mark Schult.
- Special Activities: Last Sundays of each month.

Worship Service • 10:30 am

- Nathan Groenewold from Cohort Detroit
- Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17

Soup Group • 12:00 pm

If you are between the ages of 18-28(ish), you are invited to Soup Group following the worship service. Come, eat some soup and fellowship together!



announcements & reminders

Spring 2020 Women's Bible Study

The Women's Ministry Team is so grateful to have received wonderful feedback from a great fall semester! We are also eager to announce the next semester's programming!

Small groups will continue to meet on 2nd and 4th Monday evenings, and on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday mornings and evenings. We'll be gathering around a Bible Study by the Rev. Dr. Carol Bechtel on Jonah and Ruth which will explore listening for God's call on our lives.

Groups begin to meet on January 13th and 15th, and the Jonah and Ruth Bible study guides will be available after the service today. You can also pick one up in the church office after the new year. They are \$6 each.

If you'd like to sign-up but were not able to participate in last semester's book study, send an email to Pastor Kristen at kristen@aacrc.org. We look forward to learning and journeying together in the new year!

Gray Matters

In lieu of our regular Gray Matters meeting for January 8, 2020 you are encouraged to join us in attending the Calvin January Series presentation from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM. We will have our traditional fellowship and refreshments following.

Calvin University's January Series is returning to AACRC!

You are invited to a remote broadcast of the Calvin University January Series in Room 24 beginning this Wednesday, January 8 and continuing weekdays through January 28 at Ann Arbor CRC. Each lecture will be shown through live feed from Calvin University from 12:30PM to 1:30PM and will cover topics ranging from poverty and hunger, immigration, mass incarceration, religious freedom, big data's inequality and threat to democracy and so much more by top experts in their fields. AACRC is one of more than 50 remote webcast sites across the continent, joining a daily audience of about 4,000 people a day.

For information on the speakers and topics, visit the January Series website at www.calvin.edu/january.

Don't miss out on this chance to hear fabulous lectures and experience a piece of Calvin University right here at AACRC!

AACRC Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 5

- 9:15 AM Faith Formation Hour
10:30 AM Morning Worship

Monday, January 6

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
6:30 PM Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 7

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
10:00 AM International Coffee Break
1:15 PM International Coffee Break
7:00 PM Tuesday Dinner @ Lindquist's
7:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

Wednesday, January 8

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
9:00 AM Side by Side
12:30 PM January Series
12:30 PM Gray Matters
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 9

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
10:00 AM Prayer Group
10:00 AM Crafters
1:15 PM Bible Study
6:00 PM New Life

Friday, January 10

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
6:30 PM ISI Bible Study
7:30 PM FaHoLo
Reach - Springhill Retreat Jan. 10-12

Saturday, January 11

- 9:30 AM YogaFaithShalom

Sunday, January 12

- 9:15 AM Faith Formation Hour
10:30 AM Morning Worship
12:00 PM Soup Group

Assisting This Week 1/5

Coffee Servers

- 10:30 Eric & Melissa Hartenstein
Doug & Darlene DeVries

Nursery

- 9:15 Rita Aagenas, Ross/Deb Weener
10:30 Sean Kim, Justin Schiller
Jacob Bennink

Children & Worship

- 10:30 Kellie Steen, Yang Liu,
Cole Doorlag

Communion Servers

- 10:30 Bill & Marilyn Dahms
Roy & Marilyn Glover

Assisting Next Week 1/12

Coffee Servers

- 10:30 Doug & Cherie Egedy
Roy & Marilyn Glover

Nursery

- 9:15 Mary Herrema, Jack Doorlag
10:30 Anita Lautenbach, Kim Hubers,
Michael Bennink

Children & Worship

- 10:30 TBD

Communion Servers

- 10:30 Bill & Gabby VanderMolen
Ron & Sue Heys



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