# November 21, 2021



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#### We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements Mixed Choir – "Grateful Medley"

**Praise Singing** 

"Come, Now is the Time to Worship" "King of Kings"

3 Minutes for Missions – Preston & Jersey Sheldon Congregational Prayer

We Hear God's

Message – Gabriel: Behind the Seen

Scripture - Daniel 10

We Respond to God

Prayer Communion

"Grace Greater than Our Sin" Hymn #482 vs 1

Blessing

The 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School should meet in the sanctuary today to hear more from Preston & Jersey Sheldon. Adults are invited to stay as well.

# Memory Verse for December 1st

Jonah said: "In my distress I called to the Lord, and he answered me. From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help, and you listened to my cry." – Jonah 2:2

# Gabriel: Behind the Seen Daniel 10

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- 1. Daniel's response to p\_\_\_\_\_ was to pray, mourn, & fast. (1-3)(See 9:3-19)
- 2. God hears and r\_\_\_\_\_\_ to prayers. (4, 12)
- 3. God sends angels to help. (Hebrews 1:14)
  Angels E\_\_\_\_\_\_(14)

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Angels S\_\_\_\_\_ (10,16,18-19) Enabling him to stand, speak, & listen.

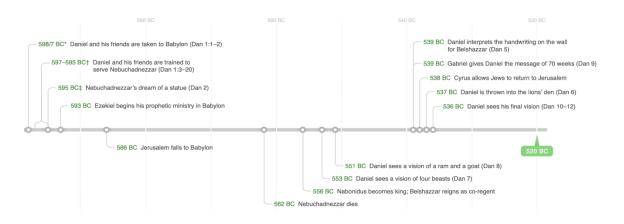
Angels F\_\_\_\_\_ (13, 20)

#### **PRIMARY TAKE-AWAY:**

Your p\_\_\_\_\_ and p\_\_\_\_ in p\_\_\_\_ is the goal, not the ending of your problems.

#### APPLICATION: \_\_\_\_\_

- 3x/Day Pray before every meal.
- 21-Days Pray and fast in humility for understanding.
- Come 8am Tuesday and 8:30am Sunday morning.



## Upcoming Events

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#### **Who May Participate In Communion?**

"We welcome all those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins, but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their remaining weakness is covered by the suffering and death of Christ, and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to lead a better life. Hypocrites and those who are unrepentant, however, eat and drink judgment on themselves." (Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 81; 1 Cor. 10:19-22; 11:26-32)

Paul challenges believers to participate in communion in a manner that is sincere and authentic. He writes to the church in Corinth... "Eat the bread or drink the cup of the Lord in the right way. Don't do it in a way that isn't worthy of him. If you do, you will be guilty. You'll be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone should take a careful look at themselves before they eat the bread and drink from the cup." (1 Cor. 11:27-28 NIRV)

So, we welcome any who are trusting in Jesus to forgive their sins to participate in the Lord's Supper. If your child understands the above statement, they too are welcome to the table. As well we want to urge those who trust Jesus to join with us in ministry as active confessing members. Check out "Discovering Membership" online or at the information table.

## Youth News

**Middle School** – Tonight we're sharing a meal with some of the 60 and older crowd from church. We'll eat, chat, and play some table games! See you at 6:30!

Jr/Sr Praise Band practice from 6-6:30 tonight!

**High School** – Join us at 7 for the Thanksgiving Eve service while we listen to some great testimonies of God's faithfulness. If you can make it at 6:30 to help greet that's even better!

#### Bulletin Board News

**Offering** may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 11/21 Regular Benevolence, 11/28 Holiday Help, 12/5 Missionary Salary, 12/12 Christian Home Chaplain.

Congrats to Marilyn Kamphuis as she celebrates her 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday on November 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Cardboard Donations –** With Black Friday/Christmas shopping coming up, if anyone has any large cardboard boxes/pieces to donate please place them in the copy room. We are always looking for large cardboard pieces to use for VBS decorating.

**Thanksgiving Day Dinner** – This year's Pella Thanksgiving Day meal will be a bit different. On Thursday, Nov 25, take-out meals will be available to pick up in the south parking lot (in front of the education building) from 11:30-12:30. Just drive in and we will bring the meal(s) to your car. We are unable to offer delivery this year. Please contact Jan at 920-642-3732 or the church office at 324-3321 x101 by Nov 19 with the number of meals needed and your choice of pumpkin or Dutch apple pie. There is no charge for this meal.

**AMEN** articles are due next Sunday, November 28th.

# Opportunities to Get Involved

**Salvation Army Bell Ringing** – We are looking for bell ringers for Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Piggly Wiggly and Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at Walgreens in Waupun. Please sign-up at the information desk or contact Darryl Navis for more details. Seating is available.

Christmas in Alto – The best way to spread Christmas cheer is sharing the gospel for all to hear! Come join us at The Old Mill for a Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 5, 6-8pm. We'll have an outdoor bonfire, indoor Christmas story reading and music, crafts, snacks and more! Feel free to join us for Christmas Caroling around Alto to spread the joy of our Savior from 5-6pm before we head to the Mill!

### P - praise R - repent A - ask Y - yield

**Praise:** Father, we rejoice in knowing you respond to our prayers. Angels are moved to action revealing truth, strengthening the weak, and fighting battles we cannot see. You do respond! **Repent:** Daniel's prayer in 9:17-19 "Now, our God, hear the prayers and petitions of your servant. For your sake, O Lord, look with favor on your desolate sanctuary [me]. Give ear, O God, and hear; open your eyes and see the desolation of the city [church] that bears your Name. We do not make requests of you because we are righteous, but because of your great mercy. O Lord, listen! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act! We confess our sin and trust that your shed blood covers us, so that we do not receive the punishment we deserve. Forgive us." **Ask:** Help us pray boldly...

- We ask that you reveal truth, strength the weak and fight the unseen battles so we can see you defeat the enemy at work around us.
- We pray for those listed below as they face challenges each day.
- We pray for the churches which remain in the RCA to discern truth and stand on it.
- We pray for the churches joining ARC to navigate their departure well and to collaborate in this new adventure.
- We pray that you would renew our passion for your mission and lead us forward.

**THIS WEEK**... Praise that Libbi was able to return to Ravencrest after the nearby wildfire.

**Yield:** Today, we fall on our faces before you just as Daniel did and acknowledge your immense power and grace. I am yours!

Healing: Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Ashley Bruins, Dusty Deming, Paul Elenius, Alvin Harmsen, Sharon Harmsen, Annice Hopp, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Jessica Schultz, Jean Stelsel, Carl VanderKooi, Jake Vande Zande, and Silas Willey.

#### Military Personnel:

Aaron Zeatlow, stationed in New Mexico;
Sebastian Hoenisch, stationed in the San Diego, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder;
Mitch Miller, stationed in the South China Sea

**Shut-ins:** Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home: Anchor Communities (Brandon): Dale Kastein Barrett House: Lowell Glewen Charleston House: Cora Hemp *Christian Home:* Sharon Harmsen, Helen Straks, Junice Vande Zande, Kay Vande Zande Christian Homestead: Warren Vande Zande Evergreen: Glen Loomans Hillside Manor: Harvey Daane Home: Margaret Hoekstra, Dayton Ter Beest Maple Meadows: Arlene Henning Marvin's Manor: Eleanor Loomans Prairie Ridge: Annice agoH

**Missionaries:** Bob Abel – Remember Nhu, Steve & Amanda Bialy – Converge, Chris Briggs – CCCD, Mandy Kimes – His House Christian Fellowship, Andy Lickel – InterVarsity, Jersey & Preston Sheldon – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ