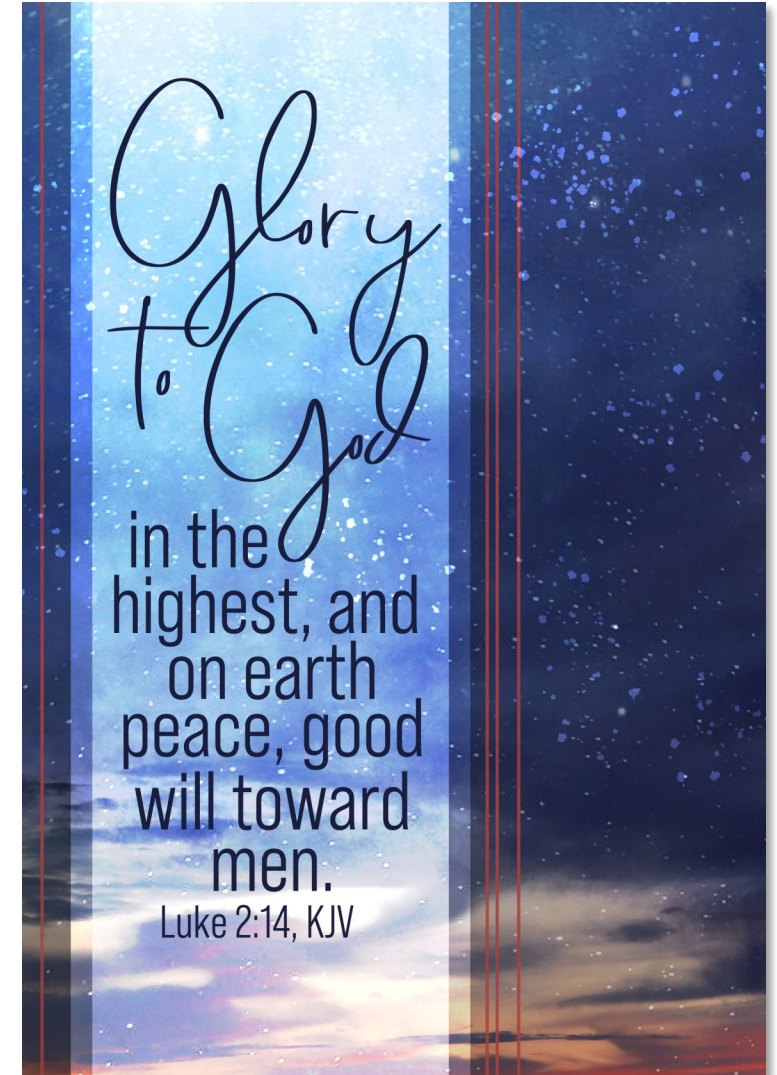




*Growing in Our Identity in Christ.*  
Ephesians 2:1-10



*December 18, 2022*

### Sunday School Classes

2 yrs.—Pre-K— <i>Christmas Story</i> — Julie M. & Diane M.—B3	<i>Creation vs. Evolution</i> —Steve C.— Upper Room
K— <i>Nothing is Impossible</i> —Jenny G.—B6	<i>Ephesians</i> —Perry K.—E4
Elem.— <i>Memorizing Key Verses</i> — Marci H. & Grace H.—B1	<i>A Gospel-Centered Life</i> — Theo R.—E1
MS— Gift That Never Ends—Scot L.—E3	
HS—Eyewitness Bible: Christmas— Caleb & Cynthia Q.—E2	

### Nursery

December 18: SS—Scott & Amy V.      Worship—Rob & Tami H.  
December 25: SS—      Worship—Dennis & Diane M.

### Offering

12/11/22: \$22,723.07      Budget Weekly Need: \$7,676.43

### Upcoming Events

Dec. 18 Special Business Meeting, AM  
Dec. 21 Prayer Gathering, 6:30 PM  
No TeamKID, TAG or YG—Christmas Break  
Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Service, 5 PM  
Dec. 25 No SS—Christmas Worship Service @ 10 AM  
Dec. 28 Prayer Gathering, 6:30 PM  
No TeamKID, TAG or YG—Christmas Break  
Dec. 31 YG New Year's Party @ church, 7:30 PM  
Jan. 1 Church Board Installations, AM  
Jan. 4 Prayer Gathering, 6:30 PM  
No TeamKID, TAG or YG—New Year's Break  
Feb. 4 Women's Ministry Author Event

### Church Office

P.O. Box 338, 116 N. Main; Hesston  
620-327-4413 | gardencommunitychurch.org

Service Schedule: SS—9:00 a.m.      Worship—10:15 a.m.

### GUEST INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Visitor for the First Time

Would like a Visit

Would like to Know More about the Church

New in the Community

\*Please place in offering



## Morning Worship—December 18, 2022

### Advent Reading

#251—It Came upon the Midnight Clear

#253—Silent Night! Holy Night!

Welcome & Announcements

Offering

#269—How Great Our Joy!

#279—Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

#281—What Child Is This?

#262—Away in a Manger

**Message—Our Peace in Christ  
Romans 5:1-5**

#270—Joy to the World!

\*Chorus Sheets available from ushers  
Live Stream: facebook.com/gardencommunitychurch

## Prayer Requests

### Missionary of the Week:

Ivan & Mary Goossen  
Brazil

ivary@avmi.org



- ◆ Praise—We had a beautiful Christmas concert, directed by our co-worker, Rafaelly. Fourteen of “our CG kids” practiced and performed on guitar, recorder, violin, keyboard, and a little bit of drum, with some singing. We were so thankful for the people God sent to be with us for this: parents, grandparents, school principle and school librarian, etc. Not a big crowd but an important one! Even Crislany & Kezia and Camila & Daniel performed on guitar, recorder and in voice.
- ◆ Pray for great spiritual results from this effort and concert
- ◆ Pray for Rafaelly, as she will be moving on this next year. She will be greatly missed, but she is leaving behind a spiritual (and musical) footprint.

## Announcements

### CHRISTMAS SERVICE SCHEDULES

December 24—Christmas Eve Service, 5 p.m.

(Service will be Livestreamed on our Facebook page)

December 25—No SS—Christmas Worship Service at 10 a.m.

### ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The Annual Business Meeting will be held on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. All items of new business to be acted upon must be submitted, in writing and signed, to the church board by January 2.

### ANNUAL REPORTS

We are quickly approaching the end of the year and that means it's Annual Report time! If you are a committee chairman, please have your annual report turned into the office by January 8.

### HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The Church Office will be closed on December 26<sup>th</sup> for Christmas and January 2<sup>nd</sup> for New Years.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY AUTHOR EVENT

The morning of February 4<sup>th</sup>, Gail Goolsby, author of the book, *Unveiled Truth: Lessons I Learned Leading the International School of Kabul*, will be here to share with us. She will challenge us to recognize and apply the work of God in our own lives in order to learn to live well. Further information and her book can be found on the Welcome Table. We encourage you to purchase books and share this event with others!

### SAVE THE DATE BENEFIT DAY CONCERT

On December 18 at 6:00 p.m. at the Eden Mennonite Church the Ball Brothers will be doing a Christmas tour for a Benefit Day Concert. Donations for the concert will go towards the Pine Village Benefit Day fund. Past Benefit projects have included a kitchen expansion, a transportation van and various renovations and updates. Plan now to attend a great evening of inspirational Christmas music!

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Schowalter Villa Singers will be presenting Christmas Joy! on December 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Villa Life Chapel. Everyone is invited.

## Elder of the Week

December 18-24, Rob Hiebert.....316-772-3283

December 25-31, Larry Friesen.....620-367-2257

January 1-7, Abe Schmidt... ..620-327-0488

January 8-14, Scot Loyd .....620-654-7565

**PRAYER CARD**

Name (Optional):

Date:

