

## Order of Worship

Prelude  
Welcome  
Announcements **Susan Bland**  
Invocation  
\*Opening Hymns: #131 "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"  
# 82 "O Come, Let Us Adore Him"  
# 137 "What Child Is This?"  
Consistory Installation  
Prayer  
Children's Message **Pastor J.T.**  
Offertory Song: #166 "We Three Kings"  
Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12 **Pat Pessman**  
Message: "Visit of the Magi" **Pastor J.T.**  
\*Hymn: #163 "As With Gladness Men of Old"  
\*Benediction  
Postlude  
\*stand as you are able  
  
Song Leader: **Michael Blean** Organist: **Deb VanZuiden**  
AV/Tech Team: **William and Jenny Patton**

## Welcome

**Welcome to Ebenezer Church!** If you have any questions about our church life, fill out our communication card and the Pastor will be in contact with you. If you have any **prayer concerns** that you would like to put on the prayer chain, email Pastor J.T. Bean at [pastorJT@ercmorrison.com](mailto:pastorJT@ercmorrison.com). You may also fill out the Ebenezer Communication Card on the bulletin and drop it into the offering box. Sue Bond's email is [office@ercmorrison.com](mailto:office@ercmorrison.com). Please send bulletin announcements to this email no later than the Thursday before service. If you would like to become a church member, contact Pastor J.T. for more info.

**The church is open Monday-Friday 9am-1pm and Saturdays 7:30am-12pm.**

## This Week at ERC

- Executive Committee meets Monday, Jan. 6 at 9:00 am
- Church Life Committee meets Monday, Jan. 6 at 10:30 am
- O.M.E. Committee meets Thursday, Jan. 9 at 6:00 pm
- Men's Bible Study will meet Saturday, Jan. 11 at 7:30 am

### Happy Birthday This Week To:

**1/5** Beau Brackemyer **1/6** John Taylor **1/6** Noah Stout  
**1/7** Merrial Allison **1/8** Chana Kullerstrand **1/8** Delores Stuart  
**1/10** David Ottens **1/10** Michael Blean

### Nursery:

Today – Beth Milnes & Kinlee Prins  
1/12 – Angie Tichler & Allison Weaver

### Greeters:

Today – Vern Vanderlaan  
1/12 – Pepi Allen

### Welcome Center Hosts:

Today – Michael & Marcia Blean  
1/12 – Verne & Pat Pessman

### Offering Last Sunday:

General Fund: \$5,657  
Christmas \$1,178  
Aftershock \$ 25  
Zuidema Mem. \$ 700  
Medema Mem. \$ 50  
Assistance \$ 50

### Prayer Room:

Today – Ken Jansma  
1/12 – Martha Kophamer

### Fellowship Hall Hosts:

Today – Jack & Susan Bland  
1/12 – Ken & Glenda Jansma

### January Counting Team:

Jenny Patton  
Darlene Schipper

## Reasons to Rejoice and Prayer Concerns

- **Those who need restored health through recovery and healing:** Deb Adolph, Kathy Vanderlaan, Diane Boelkins, Neva Baar, Keith Morine, Jonelle Hook, Elmer Huizenga, Jeg Weets, Ron & Louise Wiersema, Jennifer Shultz, Freeman family, Mercurio family, Narup family, Hugg Family, Baker Family, Perry family, and all those with special needs or unspoken prayer requests.
- **Those in nursing/assisted living homes:** Velma Dean, Barb Geerts, Loretta Temple, Don VanDerLeest, Joyce Wilkins, Mary Jane Connelly, Darlene Vos, Delores Stuart, Allen Buikema, Coretta Vankooten, & Ruth Rosenow, (at Resthove); & Marv Tichler (at Homestead of Morrison); Marge Gorzny (at Allure in Prophetstown); Also: Pam Gorzny.
- **Those serving our country:** Gregory Bush (Air Force), Brevin Pruis (Navy), Tyler Haan (Air Force), Elijah Bean (Air Force).

## Ebenezer Communication Card

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

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

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

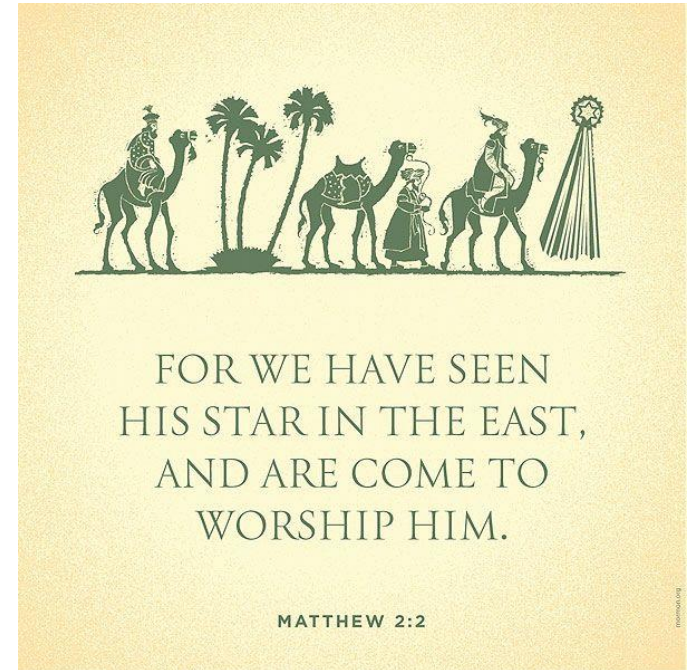
[ ] I am a visitor today/new to community

[ ] I would like to join Ebenezer

[ ] I have a change of address/email/phone

# Ebenezer Reformed Church

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## January 5, 2025

### Our Purpose:

*ERC is a congregation called to intentionally share the gospel in word and deed, as the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus Christ. God is calling us to be a vibrant body of believers helping people experience God's love in Jesus Christ.*

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## Announcements

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We need hosts for the Fellowship Hall in the new year. Please sign up on the sheets for each quarter – these are on the bulletin board.

2025 Consistory Executive Team: J.T. Bean (Pastor); Ken Jansma (Vice President); Marcia Blean (Deacons Chair); Dave Weber (Finance); Martha Kophamer (Clerk).

The Morrison Ecumenical Chorus will present the Lent and Easter portions of Handel's "Messiah" on Palm Sunday, April 13. Rehearsals begin on Sunday, January 12 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Morrison. Music will be available for the singers to borrow. Those with questions can call director Kathy Janicek at 815-772-2874.

Thank you everyone for remembering me on my birthday and Christmas. I appreciated all your lovely cards. Happy new year!! Don VanDerLeest.

Please check out the Pamphlet Rack by the Lobby door. There are a variety of topics covered; all are free. A few of the new titles are: "Finding Peace in a Troubled World," "Going the Extra Mile, Learning to Serve Like Jesus", and "Gospel Conversations, Connecting People with the Story of Jesus."

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## Monthly Memory Verse

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**Isaiah 41:10 NIV**

*So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*

## Prayer Request Slip

Fill out this short slip for anyone who needs our prayers this week.

Name and Praying for: \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] I will have an upcoming surgery at \_\_\_\_\_, on this date \_\_\_\_\_ and would like a visit \_\_\_\_\_ or call \_\_\_\_\_ from the Pastor.

Comments: