



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

*Glorifying God by Knowing,
Living and Proclaiming
our Hope in Christ*

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Who is God?

Isaiah 6:1-7

Pastor Scott Roberts

DECEMBER 12, 2021

Order of Worship

How Majestic is Your Name

Call to Worship Psalm 8

Advent Litany Isaiah 40:6-7

O Come O Come Emmanuel

Holy, Holy, Holy

All Glory, Laud and Honour

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Litany Psalm 2:6-7

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Isaiah 6:1-7

Message Who is God?

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Benediction

Come and Stand Amazed You People

The offering this morning is for the General Fund.
Please place offerings in the basket by the sound booth.

Welcome!

Welcome to Hope in Christ Church. We are so glad you have joined us today!
May God bless you as you worship with us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Giving Tree: Gift cards for our Family Promise families are due today. If you have forgotten yours at home--please call Lorraine and we'll make arrangements. Thanks!

December Newsletter: The December *Heartbeat* is available online at hopeinchristchurch.org. A printed copy is available in the foyer. Items for the January *Heartbeat* are due on December 15th.

Friendship Christmas Program: Friendship Bible Study will present "Stop, Look and Listen at Christmas" tomorrow, Monday the 13th at 7 p.m. All are invited to come and enjoy the Christmas presentation.

Christmas Eve Service: HCC will have a candlelight service on the 24th at 7 p.m. There will not be a service on Christmas Day.

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of 2 greeters to welcome people on Sunday mornings. You would not serve more than once per month, sometimes less. Please email or call the office if you could help.

PRAYERS

Each week we pray for members of our church family. Suggested prayers are for their spiritual growth, opportunities to see Christ in their everyday lives, and anything else that God puts on your mind for them.

This week please pray for:

Elaine B Philip B Del & Pat

Jennifer & Michael B, Nathan, Evan Helen B

SERVANTS FOR DECEMBER 19

Greeters Lou & Ev **Prayer Room** Ida **E-Street Taxi** Len & Terry

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Church Office Hours

- Mon.: Closed
- Tues., Wed., Thurs.:
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- Friday: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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Sermon Outline

Who is God? *Isaiah 6:1-7*

I. We all want to define God...

A. The human propensity to create gods

B. Christians can be just as guilty of this as the non-Christians.

1. The most common versions of God among Christians these days are:

- a. God is loving
- b. God is my friend
- c. God is forgiving

2. But these are all very thin descriptions of God

II. So who is God really?

A. He is King (Isa 6:1,5)

B. He is exalted (Isa 6:1)

C. He is transcendent (Isa 6:1-2, Num 21:8)

D. He is holy (Isa 6:3)

1. They are praising God but also declaring these praises about God to one another.

- II. D. 2. Holy, Holy, Holy (Lev 10:10)
 - a. Repetition denotes importance.
 - b. The Superlative effect
 - c. An OT hint towards the Trinity, with each person of the Godhead being addressed as holy –
 - (1) God the Father is holy (Jn 17:11)
 - (2) Son is holy (Mk 1:24, Lk 4:34)
 - (3) Spirit is holy (Mt 1:18, Act 1:16)
- E. He is a warrior (Isa 6:3, 5)
 - 1. Isaiah's response
 - 2. Why does Isaiah respond like this? (Mt 12:34, Ex 33:20)
- F. He is a redeemer (Isa 6:6-7)
 - 1. What is one to do when they come to realize their sin in the presence of God Almighty?
 - a. Confess sin
 - b. Await mercy and grace
 - 2. Jesus' coming... (Rev 17:14, 19:16, Heb 7:16)