



**PREPARE THE WAY OF
THE LORD**
Make straight in the desert
A highway for our God.

~ISAIAH 40:3

Christmas: The Most Worshipful Time of the Year

Celebrating the Lord's Arrival to Save Us From Sin

A Personalized Portrait of Christ-like Humility:

A Voice Calling Out From the Wilderness

John 1; Luke 1; Matthew 3; and other supporting biblical references

By Pastor Greg Dykstra

Today December 8, 2024

Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Children's Church

Sprouts: 6 weeks – 5 yrs.

All children are dismissed for Children's Church before the Message

"God comes in the most unexpected ways to some of the most unlikely people in order to forward His purpose!" -Alister Begg

Order of Worship

Announcements/Opening Prayer

2nd Sunday of Advent - Faith

Songs of Praise & Worship

Pastoral Prayer

Message

Closing Song

We are pleased to announce that Ginny Mountbriand and Michael & Kendalyn Strasburg have asked to join us as members of Appleton Community EFC.

This Week (unless noted, all events are held at church)

Sunday

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Youth Group 6 p.m.

Tuesday

Discipleship Study 6:30 a.m.

The Nest 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Men's Bible Study 6:30 a.m.

Awana 6:00 p.m.

Opportunities

"Let's Do Lunch": Come and join us **next Sunday, December 15**, right after church, for a time of food, fellowship, and fun at Pizza Ranch. **Bring your bulletin and get \$1.00 off the buffet!** Everyone is welcome.

The Nest: Please join us Tuesday, December 10 @ 7:00 p.m. for cookies to share and carols to sing. Bring 3 dozen of your favorite Christmas cookies/treats and the recipe. We can't wait to see you there!

Celebrating a New Birth: The rose today is to welcome baby Grace, daughter of Ryan & Kate Knoll and sister Georgia born November 19.

Invitation for Youth to Play Instrument: If any youth play an instrument and have learned some Christmas music for the season, we would love to have you bless our congregation with a Christmas song prior to the service on Sunday, December 15! Please talk to Ken or Nichole after the service or email them at koszewafamily@gmail.com. Thank you for considering sharing your gifts with us all!

Prayer Requests / Comments

As a church we believe in the power of prayer and would love to pray for you. Please share your details with us using your phone.



Open your phone's camera and point it at the QR code. You will be prompted to open a link, which will take you to our online prayer requests form.

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Appleton Community EFC
Growing together in Christ



- **Biblical Truth**

We depend on the Bible as our source of authority in what we believe, what we teach, and how we live.

- **Worship**

We believe that we are created by God to worship Him. Therefore, we live in worshipful response to God's character and activity.

- **Prayer**

We believe that daily prayer is essential in the life of a believer and as such we pray with expectancy knowing that God is actively involved in our world.

- **Evangelism**

We believe in sharing the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ with honesty and humility.

- **Fellowship**

We believe that accountability, caring and a sense of belonging are essential for each believer to grow in their relationship with Christ.

- **Encouragement**

We believe we are responsible for caring for and encouraging one another.

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Church Office Hours

CLOSED Mondays
Open Tuesday-Friday
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.