

# San Jose Christian Reformed Church

*“God’s love to us, God’s love through us...”*

*May the Lord bless us all as we worship Him here today.  
Pastor Brad Smith is preaching for us this morning.  
We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors!*

**Sunday, December 30, 2007- 9:30 AM**

## Morning Worship and Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

### PRAISE AND PRAYER

Prelude: Our Time of Preparation for Worship

Welcome / Greetings / Announcements

We Greet One Another

Call to Worship:

Songs of Praise:

*“Joy to the World”*

*“Here I Am to Worship”*

*“Above All”*

Congregational Prayer

(Children ages 3 through grade 6 leave for “Kid’s Life”)

### OUR GIVING

Offering: Church Ministry Fund

Special Offering: Calvary Rehabilitation Center

Deacon’s Prayer

Special Praise Offering- Erika R., Deb U.,  
and Anna M.: *“He Is Born”*

### THE WORD OF GOD

Text: Revelation 1.1-18

Message: *“Jesus Revealed”*

Prayer

Song of Response:

*“Meekness and Majesty”*

### SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

We Celebrate the Lord’s Supper

All sing during The Lord’s Supper: *“There is a Redeemer”*  
*“Amazing Grace”*

Prayer

Closing song:

*“Beautiful Savior”*

Blessing

Doxology:

*“Glory to God” PH# 214*

### **WELCOME!**

*If you are a first time visitor, please complete a “Communication Card” and stop by the welcome table in the back of the sanctuary for a gift and information packet. Please join us for coffee and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall following our morning worship service.  
No classes at 11:00 today.*

### **Next Sunday at SJCRC**

**January 6, 9:30 AM:** Morning Worship Service- Pastor Brad Smith will be preaching for us. Special offering: Faith Promise. Please join us for coffee and refreshments after the morning service. No classes at 11:00.

### **Elder-Deacon Care Groupings**

Elder/Deacon phone numbers are in the church directory. *Please inform them directly* of any need you might have.

<u>Last Name Beginning</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
A-B	Doug P.	Scott V.
C-G	Jake B.	Bruce B.
H-L	Harvey V.	Dan M.
M-P	Steve B.	Bruce G.
R-T	Jacob V.	Doug B.
U-Z	Tom B.	Gert B.

### **Church Officers:**

Harvey V., Council President

Dan M., Deacon Chair

Jake B., Council Vice President

Fred R., Treasurer

Randy M., Council Clerk



### **Please Join Us**

**Monday, December 31: 7:30 pm** New Year’s Eve Worship Service

## Our Church Family

### Please pray for these personal needs:

\* **Charlie B., Irvin D., Rein G., Rich M., and Cobe R.:** Please pray for these members of our church family who have continuing health problems. Remember these friends with your cards and visits: they appreciate your thoughtfulness.

\* **Alice K.** has suffered from a virus these last couple of weeks. Please pray for renewed strength and complete recovery for her.

\* **Our Christian sympathy and love to Doug and Tiffany Be.** and all Doug's family in the death of Doug's 90 year old grandmother, Catherine S., last week in Casper, Wyoming. A memorial service was held Saturday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Pray for all the family as they grieve the loss of a much loved mother and grandmother.

\* **Please pray for Jim U.** as he now searches for employment. Jim received the certificates this past week as a trained phlebotomist and ECG Technician. Praise God with Jim (and Deb) for this progress so he is now officially qualified to apply for positions available.

\* **Sandy A.** left last Wednesday to work in Maine for the next several months where her family lives. Please pray for Sandy in this adjustment and also for Randy and Alex while they stay in San Jose to complete work and school in preparation for their move.

\* **Pastor Don H.'s wife, Norma,** was admitted to the hospital for one night on Christmas Eve Day to have blood transfusions as she continues her struggle with bone cancer. Please continue to pray for both Pastor Don and Norma as they go through this very uncertain time. 5472 Laura Dr., San Jose, 95124

\* **Linda H.** (mother of Jennifer C.): Linda continues her struggle with cancer. Please pray for Linda and her family as they go through this most difficult and trying time.

\* **Several of our church family have lost loved ones** during this year and also extended family members in recent weeks. It is especially lonely and painful during the Christmas season when families often are together. Please pray for all who feel these losses.

\* **Please pray for safe travel** for all those traveling during the Christmas and New Years Holidays.

## Opportunities for Service and Ministry

**Please help us to canvass our immediate neighborhood for GEMS and Cadets on Wednesday, January 2.** We would like to pass out flyers with information and invitations to our Wednesday evening kids' clubs over the holidays. Please contact Pastor Brad or Grace M. if you can help. Thank you!

**Family Shelter Breakfast:** Two volunteers are needed for the January 12 breakfast. Thank you to all for your faithfulness for serving in the past. This is a great ministry.....we would like to see some new volunteers as well!

**Stephen's Ministry- all meetings at 7 pm** (contact Brenda L.):

- Training Classes:

Monday, Jan. 7: Peer Supervision, Part Two and How to Make a First Caring Call

-Peer Supervision:

Wednesdays, Jan. 9 and 23, 7 pm

## Church News and Announcements

**JJs (jr. high) and Sonlife (high school) are taking a break** from their regular Sunday classes today and next Sunday, Jan. 6. Classes will resume on Sunday, Jan. 13, at 11am.

**Please check out the Community Pregnancy Center (CPC) CHRISTMAS TREE OF LIFE** in the Social Hall. There are GIVING CARDS hanging on the tree and by choosing one and gifting to CPC, you could SAVE A LIFE. After making your gift, you are welcome to take a keepsake ornament (while supplies last) as CPC's gift to you.

**The 2008 Proposed Budget** is available in the entry. Please pick up a copy for your review.

**Please plan to attend** our *New Year's Eve Worship Service* (December 31 at 7:30 pm).

**Interested in joining our prayer chain?** It's easy to join our Google Prayer List: Email Mavis M. If you do not have internet access, please have a contact person who does to stay informed.

**Church Bulletin:** Please have any bulletin announcements for next Sunday's bulletin into the office this week by Thursday evening, at the latest. If you wish to email your announcements, please send them to Grace M.

**The January Prayer Guides** and the **Dec./Jan./Feb. "Our Daily Bread"** and the **Jan. and Feb. "Today" devotionals** are available in the information racks. Please pick up your copies.

## From Your Finance Team

Dear SJCRC Congregation:

As the 2007 calendar year comes to a close, we are also in preparation in closing out our fiscal year. During this beautiful season, we should continually reflect on the many blessings we are to be thankful for from family, friendships, health, employment, and most importantly the Lord's gift of salvation through his Son Jesus Christ. It is also clear that the Lord continues to bless our church here in San Jose and the work we shall continue.

Currently the CMF (Church Ministry Fund), receipts with which we fund our ministry here and pay for all our expenses, liabilities, and obligations is on a pace to be short of budget by approximately 20%. The CMF is primarily funded with the offerings and contributions received weekly. It is only with your continued support that the SJCRC can fully meet its commitments to our membership and friends, the local community, staff, our international missionaries and relief efforts, and our denominational responsibilities. And for this, we are truly thankful for your faithfulness, financial support, and prayer.

It is also in this spirit that we are asking for your specific consideration during this opportunity for year end giving. Not only will your faithful gift help to make up this shortfall to our annually committed budget, it will also assist us in making a balanced financial transition from 2007 to 2008 as well as afford you one last opportunity to maximize your tax deductible contribution for 2007.

Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to make good on our congregational commitment to this year's budget. Today, the final Sunday of December, is your opportunity to help.

Your love, faithfulness, gifts, talents, and dedicated participation are a blessing and a testimonial in His service.

Thank you,  
SJCRC Finance Team

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**Helping This Sunday, December 30**

***Greeters:*** Josef and Cecilia C.  
***Ushers:*** Anthony V. and Tina V.  
***Hospitality:*** Doug and Betty P  
***Audio/Visual:*** Randy A. and Scott F.  
***Coffee:*** Mark and Natalie L., Al and Tracie K.  
***Nursery:*** Laura L., Cory S., Anna S.  
***Kids' Life:*** Natalie L. and Harriet V.

**Helping New Year's Eve, December 31**

***Greeters:*** Eugene and Cathy G.  
***Ushers:*** Case and Leigh Ann V.  
***Audio/Visual:*** Sean S, Bruce G.  
***Nursery:*** Betsy M., Irena R.

**Helping Next Sunday, January 6**

***Greeters:*** Evelyn S. and Claudio H.  
***Ushers:*** Tom and Diana B.  
***Hospitality:*** Jacob V.  
***Audio/Visual:*** Wendell K. and Tony G.  
***Coffee:*** Steve and Joanne M., Mike and Tonya M., Jackie R.  
***Nursery:*** Sue S., Sarah G.  
***Kids' Life:*** Tiffany B., Arlene D. and Betsy M. (Paula G.-aide)

**Schedule of Events: December 30– January, 2007**

***Today:***

9:30 am – Worship Service and Communion followed by coffee

***Monday:***

7:30 pm – New Year's Eve Worship Service

***Tuesday:***

*Happy New Year!*

***Thursday:***

7:30 pm – Praise Team

***Next Sunday:***

9:30 am – Worship Service followed by coffee