

## Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

*Open now thy gates of beauty, Zion let me enter there,  
where my soul in joyful duty waits for Him who answers prayer.  
Oh, how bless-ed is this place, filled with solace, light, and grace!*

*Lord, my God, I come before thee, come thou also unto me;  
where we find thee and adore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.  
To my heart, O enter Thou, let it be thy temple now!*

*Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let Thy will be done indeed;  
may I undisturbed draw near Thee while Thou dost thy people feed.  
Here of life the fountain flows, here is balm for all our woes*

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### Covenant Reformed Church

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Worship Times: 9:30 am and 6:30 pm

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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday : 9:00 am-1:00 pm

### Covenant's Media Ministry

In addition to our downloadable internet sermons,  
Covenant Radio Ministry can be heard on KCWN 99.9 FM

Our worship services are broadcast live every Sunday at  
9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

We also sponsor the Reformed Pulpit heard every weeknight  
on KCWN at 8:05 p.m.

Our services can also be heard on KCOB 95.9 FM or 1280 AM  
at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday Mornings.

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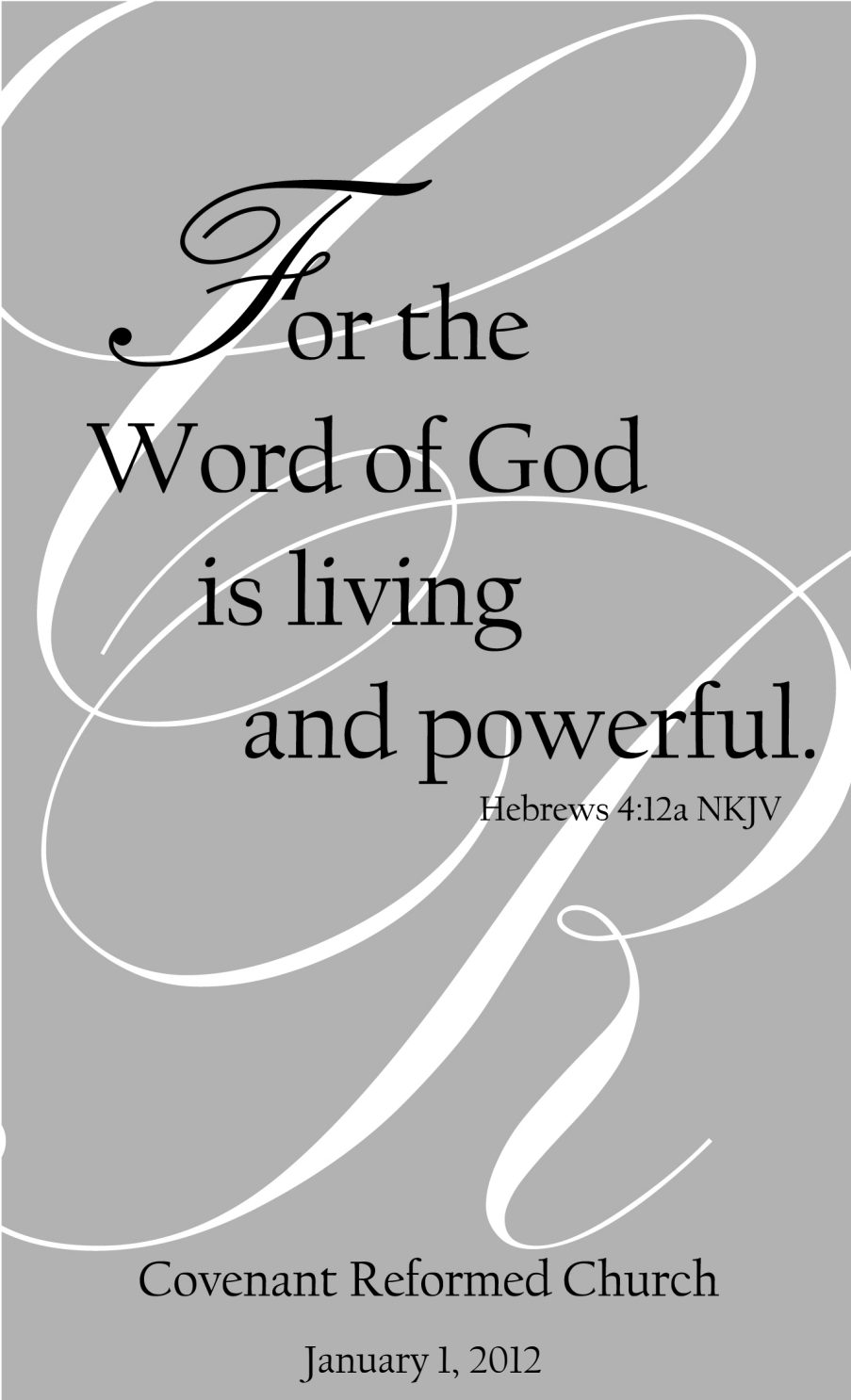
The congregation is requested to be seated at 9:25 am and 6:25 pm  
so that they can enjoy the prelude and adopt a  
worshipful attitude in preparation for the service.

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Although Covenant Reformed Church is equipped with ample nursery capacity for  
both infants and toddlers, parents who wish to take their young children to the  
sanctuary during worship are welcome to do so. However, if a child becomes  
disruptive at any time during the service, parents are urged to remove the child  
promptly in order that the congregation may worship undisturbed.

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If you are interested in becoming a member of Covenant Reformed Church  
or for more information about our church or its ministries,  
please contact the pastor or the elder at the door.



For the  
Word of God  
is living  
and powerful.

Hebrews 4:12a NKJV

Covenant Reformed Church

January 1, 2012

## MORNING WORSHIP

January 1, 2012

### Order of Worship

Prelude	Organist, Laura Wielard "He Shall Feed His Flock"/ "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" (words on back page)
Call to Worship	Psalm 98:7-9
Prayer of Invocation	
*Hymn of Praise #341	"O Come, All Ye Faithful"
*God's Greeting	
Reading of the Law	Exodus 20
Hymn of Confession #1	"That Man Is Blest"
Assurance of Pardon	1 John 1:9
Congregational Prayer	
*Hymn of Preparation #210:1, 2, 7, 10	"O Praise the Lord, His Deeds Make Known"
Scripture Reading & Text : Page 1106	Malachi 2:17-3:6
Sermon	"Final Purification Answers All Questions" page 4
Prayer of Application	
*Hymn of Dedication #370	"Day of Judgment! Day of Wonders!"
Offertory	The offering is for the Building Fund. "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"
*Doxology #73:6	"How Blest the Man Who Thoughtfully" (unannounced)
*Benediction	
*Postlude	"Great God, We Sing Thy Mighty Hand"
*Please stand if you are able.	

## Today at Covenant...

Morning Worship Service

9:30 am

Evening Worship Service

6:30 pm

### Offerings

(am) Building Fund

(pm) C.E.A.F. (Christian Education Assistance Fund)

### Infant Nursery

(am) Andrea Beekhuizen, Irene Blom

(pm) Mary De Zwarte, Cheryl Fynaardt

### Toddler Nursery

(am) Danece De Zwarte, Ruth Gorter, Jared De Vries

(pm) Lila Gullion, Rebekah Horstman

Floater: (am) Holden Hooyer (pm) Raquel De Graaf

### Enfolding

Syburn & Judy De Vries

### Greeters

Tim & Jeana Van Voorst

### Impromptu Hospitality Hosts

Arvin & Carolyn Vander Wilt

### Librarians

(am) Alice Vande Haar, Mary Vander Wilt, Carolyn Vander Wilt

(pm) Mary Van Zee, Bill & Marilyn Ver Meer

## *Root Life in Love*

Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:10-24, Page 1400

Text: Lord's Day 40, PH, Page 53

### I. The Poisoned Fruit

### II. The Bitter Root

### III. The Loving Soil

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for  
brethren to dwell in unity!”

Psalm 133:1

**Welcome to all who worship with us today!**  
Our services will be led today by Rev. Mark Vander Hart.

This evening we will witness the installation of our newly elected  
office bearers.

Those to be installed to the office of Elder are:  
Carroll Hol, David Mathes, Richard Posthuma, Bob Vander Wilt,  
Jim Van Gorp

Those to be installed to the office of Deacon are:  
Steve Rus, Reuben Schiebout, Kevin Veenstra

#### Birthday

We wish birthday blessings to Conrad De Vries (Parish 3) who will be  
104 years old on January 6. Conrad's address is 404 Jefferson Street, Pella.

#### Gift of New Life

We rejoice with Rudy and Stephanie Van Mersbergen (Parish 7) in the birth  
of a son, Joseph Rudy. He was born on Thursday, December 29.

You are encouraged to bring your bulletin back for the evening service.

# *Final Purification Answers All Questions*

Scripture Reading & Text: *Malachi 2:17-3:6*, Page 1106

I. A Wearying Question

II. A Sudden Answer

III. A Purified Result

## EVENING WORSHIP

January 1, 2012

### Order of Worship

Prelude	Organist, Jan De Zwart
Call to Worship	<i>Psalm 96:1-3</i>
Prayer of Invocation	
*Hymn of Praise #475	<i>"Another Year is Dawning"</i>
*God's Greeting	
*Apostles' Creed - <b>PH, inside front cover</b>	
*Gloria Patri #491	<i>"Glory Be to the Father"</i> (unannounced)
Congregational Prayer	
*Hymn of Preparation #279	<i>"Behold, How Pleasant and How Good"</i>
Scripture Reading: Page 1400	<i>1 John 3:10-24</i>
Text: <b>PH, Page 53</b>	<i>Lord's Day 40</i>
Sermon	<i>"Root Life in Love"</i> page 6
Prayer of Application	
*Hymn of Response #230	<i>"What Shall I Render to the Lord"</i>
Installation of New Elders and Deacons - <b>PH, Page 173</b>	
*Hymn of Dedication #426	<i>"Jesus, with Thy Church Abide"</i>
Offertory <i>The offering is for the C.E.A.F. (Christian Education Assistance Fund).</i>	
*Doxology #282:3	<i>"Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim"</i> (unannounced)
*Benediction	
4	5 *Postlude
	*Please stand if you are able.