



# Blessed to Bless

*Welcome !*

**December 28, 2025**

## **SONGS & PRAYER**

### **GOD'S WORD**

Luke 2:25-38

“Good Things Come  
to Those Who Wait”

### **PARTING**

Song

God's Blessing

### *Prayer Pointer*

*Dear God, As we approach  
a New Year may you continue,  
by your Grace, lead and guide,  
protect and provide.  
For Jesus sake, Amen*

A New Year Prayer,  
Navigators Bible Society

### *Outline*

Luke 2:25-38

“Good Things Come  
to Those Who Wait”

1. Who are Simeon and Anna?
2. Five Lessons We Can Learn  
from Them

## *Announcements*

Dear Church Family,

We would like to express our appreciation for prayers and your encouraging text messages that assured us of your support while Dad was under our care.

Yesterday afternoon, Dad passed into the presence of the Lord. We are trusting that Dad is now safe in the arms of Jesus.

We know why God brought Dad to our home. During the time Dad was with us, we lovingly shared the love of Jesus with him in word and in deed. Not only to Dad but to our family as well for the glory of God!

In the promise of eternal life through Jesus, we have much comfort and hope in the midst of our sorrow.

Grace and peace,

Ron and Donna Sato

**Today**, we welcome Pastor Carl Kromminga, who is a retired pastor. He planted New City Christian Reformed Church in North Long Beach and served as the pastor there for 25 years. Pastor Carl is married to Sandy and they have 5 adult children.

Today, we will celebrate **Dick VanWeerthuisen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday**. Join us for refreshments on the lawn following the service.

**Mark your calendars for special services, dates and times:**

- No Wednesday night activities December 31. Wednesday night activities resume January 7, 2026.
- No Sunday School, December 28. Sunday School will resume January 4, 2026.

**2025 Contributions:** If you are interested in making a stock donation prior to year-end, please contact the church office to obtain the needed electronic transfer

information. As you consider your year-end giving, a reminder that contributions must either be received at the church by 12/31/2025 or, if mailed, postmarked by 12/31/25, to be considered a 2025 contribution. Monies given after December 31 are counted as contributions for 2026.

Julie Hecox has been our representative on the **Artesia Christian Home Auxiliary** for the last 10 years, and is planning to step down in January. We encourage anyone with a heart to serve on the Auxiliary, to contact Julie.

### ***Serving This Sunday***

(December 28, 2025)

**Greeters** – Larry Vander Schaaf,  
Ron Oldham

**Ushers** – Steven O’Neil,  
Dan Brawdy, Bruce Hecox

**Prayer Leader** – Jason LeMonnier

**Children’s Message** –  
Cyndie Struiksma

**Nursery** – Megan Minnema,  
Lucinda Fleming

**Helper** – Raelynn Minnema

**Children’s Church** – Heidi Bansberg  
**Greeter** – Leslie Grasmeyer

**Campus Safety** –  
Larry Vander Schaaf

### ***Serving Next Sunday***

(January 4, 2026)

**Greeters** – Julie Hecox

**Ushers** – Ken Bansberg,  
Matt Anema, Bruce Hecox

**Prayer Leader** – John Bakker

**Children’s Message** –  
Laura Robillos

**Nursery** – Alice De Bruin,  
Chloe De Vries  
**Helper** – Emilie Grasmeyer

**Children's Church** – Sharon Sprik  
**Greeter** – Leneé Struiksma

**Campus Safety** –  
Justin Grasmeyer

## ***Calendar***

### **This Week**

#### **Sunday**

Sunday Service                      9:30 a.m.

#### **Thursday**

***Happy New Year!***

#### **Sunday**

Sunday Service                      9:30 a.m.

### **Upcoming**

January 4, 2026 – Sunday School  
Classes Resume

January 6 – Men's Bible Study  
Resumes

January 7 – Wednesday Night  
Activities Resume

January 10 - Cadets Maritime  
Museum Outing

January 11 – Communion Sunday

January 12 – Friendship Sunday

January 13 – Council Meets

January 20 – Deacons and Elders  
Meet

January 28 – All Church Night

January 31 - Cadets Pinewood  
Derby Build at Church