

# Call to Prayer

*Ask • Seek • Knock • Matthew 7:7*

**1. Bible Verse:** "Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin." Hebrews 3:12-13

**2. Family of the Week:** James & Alletha Carlson family

**3. Glory Family:** Dan Midura, Hurd family, Jackie Johnson, Bob Kangas, Gayle Gilbertson, Josh McGuire, Mary & Larry Nutting, Gloria Carlson, interim & pastoral search.

**4. Those We Care About:** Maurice Anderson, Alissa, Lori, Lenore Rapoport & Barb Schroeder

**5. Federal, state & local government officials.**

**6. Converge Missionary:** Tim Nash, Mexico

**7. Glory Missions:**

- Pastor Martin & Anne Shikuku, Eldoret, Kenya
- Pastor Nikolai Kolomiyets, Ukraine
- Bill & Sue Arvan, READ Ministries
- Kristian and Cindy Anderson, Dominican Republic
- Karl, Southeast Asia
- Bruce & Julie, N. America

**8. AIR FORCE:**

MSGT RYAN LEWELLEN, KENNY & BEULAH WESTVIG'S GRANDSON

MAJ REX VILLA, RICHARD & LISA NIX'S SON-IN-LAW, OMAHA, NE

**ARMY:** SFC JARED MCGUIRE, DAN & JOEY'S SON, GERMANY

BEN, KIM'S COUSIN

**NAVY:** TYLER FLOWERS, SON OF BRYAN & GRANDSON OF LILA, SAN DIEGO, CA

**Jesus, Immanuel  
Matthew 1:18-25  
Pastor Stanley Schultz**

**If you need pastoral care, you can contact one of the deacons:  
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**This Week at Glory  
December 15, 2024**

<b>Today 12/15</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b> Pastor Stanley Schultz
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>"Why the Nativity?"</b>
Sermon Time Kids: Maddie & Tsion		
<b>Tuesday 12/17</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Quilting
	<b>4:00 pm</b>	Missions Committee
<b>Wednesday 12/18</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Worship Team Practice
	<b>5:45 pm</b>	Free Meal
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	KidMin & Youth Group
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Pulpit Committee
<b>Thursday 12/19</b>	<b>12:30 pm</b>	Christian Women's Club Tulibee Tavern
	<b>5:15 pm</b>	Prayer
<b>Saturday 12/21</b>	<b>Afternoon</b>	Caroling, see inside
<b>Next Week 12/22</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Service of Lights
Sermon Time Kids: Fikrte & Talitha		



*Welcome!  
We are so  
glad you  
are here.*

## Membership

If you are interested in membership, we will be voting in new members at the annual meeting, January 19th. Please talk to one of the deacons by the end of December if you would like to become part of our covenant community.

Please sign the Christmas cards for those we care about in the library. They will be there until Wednesday, December 11th.

**Christmas Cards: If you have a Christmas card for the church, please hang it on the entryway decoration.**

You are invited to a **CHRISTmas sing along** with the Skogen's on **December 20th at 7:00 p.m. @ the Isle Evangelical Free Church. Come and celebrate JESUS with us.**

Have any cookies to share? We're going to have refreshments afterward. Hope you can make it.

**Happy Birthday JESUS!!!**

**Prayer Wall** // Requests to be shared during the service: write prayer requests on a tag at the front right of the worship center. Hang your tag on a hook where we will collect them directly before each service.

**Confidential Prayer Requests** // Deposit the tag in the prayer wall metal box or email: [prayer@aitkinchurch.com](mailto:prayer@aitkinchurch.com). Only members of our prayer team will see and be praying for these.

**Prayer Chain** // Want to be able to pray for requests that come through during the week? Email: [prayer@aitkinchurch.com](mailto:prayer@aitkinchurch.com). We'll make sure to add your email to the mailing list.

## Assisted Hearing System

Visit the sound booth for a receiver or to connect to your hearing aid.



## Praise, Prayer, Hospitalization?

To share requests with the prayer chain, please call or text Ruth Egstad at 218-670-0425.

The Infant/Toddler Nursery is located left of the foyer, past the library. Children through age 5 will have "Sermon Time Kids" and are welcome during the sermon each Sunday. We will have a snack, story, and play time.

## Tonight @ 6:30 pm



### December at Glory - Coming Up

- **Sunday, 22nd @ 6:30 pm** - **"Service of Lights"**  
Candlelight Christmas and treats
- **Tuesday, 24th @ 5:00 pm** - **Christmas Eve service**

**Special Music: Would you like to prepare special music for a Sunday? Also, volunteers are needed for the Service of Lights.**

**If interested contact Donna Kurtz.**

## Caroling

**What?** Christmas Music Ministry opportunity!

**When & Where?** Sat., Dec 21, 2024

Black Rock - 1:00 pm\*

Rivers Edge - 2:00 pm\*

Golden Horizons - 3:00 pm\*

Aicota - 4:00 pm\*

(\*please arrive 5-10 minutes ahead of each listed time)

Join in for one or all of the caroling opportunities. (If you want help with coordinating rides, please let us know.)

**Who?** All ages and voices welcome!

**Why?** Even if you don't think you can sing, a smiling face and visit at Christmas can be such a blessing to these dear folks! Let's share God's love to our community!

**How?** Short meeting 12/15 after church. We will have copies of songs for everyone.

**Please contact Brian or Sarah Jansma (270-4111) or use the sign up sheet if you'd like to serve in this special Christmas ministry!**

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### Persecuted Church: North Korea

- North Korea was once a thriving center of Christian worship. Pyongyang, the capital, was known as "the Jerusalem of the East" in the early 1900s because of its 2,000-plus churches. But decades of rule by an oppressive regime, currently led by Kim Jong Un, has forced Christians to worship in underground settings. The communist-inspired dictatorship is founded upon Juche, a distinctly North Korean religious ideology that requires worship of and subservience to the Kim family. Christians are sent to prison and labor camps, where they are starved, overworked and tortured. Despite the threat of persecution and heavy social pressure, Christians in North Korea hold firmly to their faith.

- Pray for the wisdom of front-line workers ministering to North Korean defectors in South Korea.
- Pray for the bold Christians who are working to bring God's Word.
- Pray that Christians who receive Bibles smuggled into North Korea will grow in their knowledge of God's Word.
- Pray for Hyun-Ok, a Christian in South Korea who is reaching out to other North Korean defectors through Bible study.
- Pray for the effectiveness of Christian radio broadcasts into North Korea. [persecution.com](http://persecution.com)