

# He Has Come

December 10, 2023

**John 1:9-14** "He came into the very world he created...So the Word became human and made his home among us."

*Jesus doesn't just wait for us to come looking for him. **He has come** to look for us!!*

**Luke 19:10** "For the Son of Man came to see and save those who are lost."

## **John 9 - Jesus Heal A Blind Man**

**vs.2** "Why is this man blind? Is it because of his own sins or his parent sins?"

**vs.24-25** "So the second time they called in the man...I don't know whether he is a sinner, the man replied. But I know this: I was blind, and now I can see!"

**Mark 2:17** "I have come not to call those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners."

*Jesus seeks the man out and reveals himself as the Messiah.*

## **John 10 - Jesus is The Good Shepherd**

**vs.11** "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd sacrifices his life for the sheep."

**Isaiah 61:1-2** "He has sent me to comfort the brokenhearted and to proclaim that captives will be released.."

**Psalms 34:18-19** "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted, his Spirit rescues those who are crushed."

*Jesus has come for ALL of us! Who is he calling us to show his good works to in this season?*

**1 Peter 2:9** "As a result you can show others the goodness of God..."

**NEXT STEPS** **During the message!** Would you like to learn more about our church and how to get connected? Even if you missed last week, you can join us for the second session of this 4-week class after the offering time just outside the sanctuary in Classroom 1.

**COLLECTING FOR MASSENA SCHOOLS** **Non-Perishable Snacks** We will continue to collect snacks to give to kids in our Massena Central Schools over breaks. You can drop donations off in the lobby at any time.

*this week...*

**CROSS CURRENT** **at 6pm tonight!** 7th-12th graders gather every Sunday here at the church.

**ADVENT ACTIVITIES** **Thursdays on Facebook and Instagram** Stay tuned for suggestions from Charity & Patti on how you can celebrate Advent with your kids leading up to the 25th!

**BRIDGE CHRISTMAS PARTY** **Thursday at 6pm** Our 5th-7th graders will be having a Christmas Party this Thursday night here at the church

**PRAY FOR OUR NATION** **Friday at 8am** A group of us gather every Friday morning to pray specifically for our country.

**MENS GROUP** **Saturdays at 8am** All men are invited to this weekly group that meets here at the church on Saturday mornings!

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**CROSS CURRENT CHRISTMAS PARTY** **December 17th at 6pm** Our teens will be celebrating Christmas together on the 17th.

**BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE** **December 21st at 7pm** On the longest night of the year we will gather for an evening of reflection and remembrance, healing and hope. The holidays can be a difficult time especially if you are experiencing a season of grief. Jesus offers hope in the midst of our pain and we will stand together in acknowledgment of that pain and the hope that lies ahead.

**CROSS CURRENT NYE PARTY** **December 31st at 9pm** Our teens are invited to an all night party to ring in the new year. The cost is \$20 and you can register on our website.

**RESTORE WEEKEND** **February 2nd & 3rd** Want to learn more about Restore, NTC's inner healing ministry, and find freedom from life's hurts? Let's COME TOGETHER and encounter Jesus, who came to heal the brokenhearted and set the captives free! The weekend will consist of a Friday night and Saturday day with a lite breakfast and lunch provided on Saturday. Register now on ChurchCenter or our website.