

**Advent 2017**  
**Week Two – He is Lord**  
**Dec 10, 2017**  
**Mike Malmin**

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**Abraham Kuyper – Dutch Theologian and Politician**

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