

PLEASANT ST. KIDS - We would love to help your children become devoted followers of Christ! Check in and get a name tag at the kids cart in the fellowship hall before service.

NURSERY - (Babies-Age 3) during the service for Bible stories, music, play, and more!

KIDSTREET - (Age 4-2nd Grade) dismissed before sermon for a Bible story, craft/ activity, music and more!

ECHO - (3rd-5th Grade) dismissed after the sermon for 10 minutes of connection (except the last Sunday of the month).

* All ages are welcome for the duration of the service. There is always space under the balcony and in the fellowship hall if you need to get the wiggles out. *

FAMILY SUNDAY - On 5th Sundays we will hold a family service where we all worship in the sanctuary together during the duration of the service. We will now be offering nursery during these services.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOSPITALITY & SECURITY - Are you willing to help on a Sunday with the coffee preparations, greeting, or building security? We currently have a faithful group who serve every month but we need a few more hands. If interested in serving on one or more of these teams, you may email churchoffice@pscrc.org for more info or to sign up!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY - The deacons would like to sincerely thank so many of you who donated Christmas Gifts and/or Food Cards this year to the 41 families in our community. We saw many very grateful faces on Christmas week.

THANK YOU - Our monthly second offering will take place next Sunday. We are collecting for the World Renew organization.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: - Richard & Gloria McMahon will be celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary on Tuesday, January 6th

REMINDER: 2ND OFFERING, NEXT SUNDAY JAN. 11 - Our monthly second offering will take place next Sunday. We are collecting for the World Renew organization.

WOMEN'S COFFEE BREAK - Will reconvene on Tuesday, January 6 at 9:30am and every week in the fellowship hall. The group is studying "Prayer: Lord Teach us to Pray". All women are welcome!

THURSDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - Will meet again on Thursday, January 8 at 7:30am and every week in the fellowship hall. New members are welcome.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - Will be taking a break in meeting through January. The study will reconvene starting on Monday, February 2 at 9:30am and every week to follow. All women are welcome!

A MIDWINTER'S HYMN SING - Sunday, January 25 at 4pm. Join us for a hymn sing with Gordon College Director of Chapel Worship, Bill Mooney-McCoy. Enjoy a soup potluck dinner in the fellowship hall following the hymn sing.

THE FAIRWOODS ANNUAL MEETING - The Annual Society Meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. here at Pleasant Street CRC in Fellowship Hall. Please save the date to come hear about all that is happening at Fairwoods!

THE FAIRWOODS BOARD - Seeking 3 new board members who are dedicated to supporting and seeing Fairwoods continue to be a special place for Christian recreation and community building. Any questions, please contact Josh Van Eck at Joshuaavaneck@gmail.com.

VERMONT TRIP - Save the Date: June 20-27th, 2026! Pleasant Street is partnering with World Renew Disaster Response Services for a mission trip to Barre, Vermont, to help families affected by recent catastrophic flooding. We will be assisting with work like drywall, flooring, insulation, and painting. No experience is necessary, and all are welcome! If you are age 14 or older and would like to join or have questions, please email Emily Fortna at ebolde@gmail.com.

Ministry Staff — How Can We Serve You?

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Shepherding Pastorates — Alphabetical By Last Name:

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Ep-Hl — Elder Tom Cooper & Deacon Mike O'Rourke

Hm-Mc — Elder Mike Anema & Deacon Brian St. Denis

Md-S — Elder Steve Stinson & Deacon Cathy Greene

T-Y — Elder John Woudenberg & Deacon Jodie Woudenberg

WELCOME

We're so glad you've joined us!

Sunday, January 4, 2026, 9:30 am

Christmastide

“Christmas Turning Out”

Text: Matthew 2:13-23



If you have been worshiping with us for a long time or you are entering the doors of a church for the first time, it is our hope that you will experience a kind welcome, a sense of genuine community, and the grace and truth of Jesus Christ that the Christian Church has celebrated for centuries. Welcome, we are so glad that you are here.

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

S	6:30p	HS Youth Group
M	6:30p	Celebrate Recovery
Tu	7:00p	Church Council Meeting
W	6:15p	Midweek
	6:30p	Prayer Group
Th	7:30a	Men's Bible Study

Prayer of Preparation

Jesus, the Light of the World, as we celebrate your birth may we begin to see the world in the light of the understanding you give us. As you chose the lowly, the outcasts, and the poor to receive the greatest news the world had ever known, so may we worship you in meekness of heart.

Amen.

GATHER

Welcome

Call To Worship

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Jesus, our Deliverer, our Savior. You've come to bring peace, to be Love. To be nearer to us, you've come to bring life, to be Light to shine brighter in us.

Oh Emmanuel, God with us.

Jesus, our Deliverer, in Your presence we find our strength over everything; our Redemption. You are God with us.

Oh Emmanuel, God with us.

Jesus, our Deliverer, You've come to be Hope to this world for Your honor and name. You've come to take sin, to bear shame, and to conquer the grave.

Oh Emmanuel, God with us.

You are here. You are holy. We are standing in Your glory.

All praise and Glory to God!

SONG: Angels From The Realms Of Glory

Prayer of Invocation

Lord, we ask for your presence, for you to breathe life into our worship today. The same breath that gave Adam life, the same breath that gave the Spirit to the disciples, the same breath that raised dry bones from the dead. We cannot worship you without your Spirit, so we ask that you be present in each of us so that we may know you and worship you today.

SONG: Praise

RENEWAL

Call To Confession from Faith and Worship

God of Grace, along with our praise,

we also bring to you

our ingratitude

for all that you have done for us,

our impatience

when prayers seem to be ignored,

our selfishness

when prompted to give or share,

our unfaithfulness

when wandering from your way.

We ask for your forgiveness, through Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Silent Confession

Words Of Assurance Matthew 11:28-29

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

SONG: O Come All Ye Faithful

Offering: Ministries of Pleasant Street



SONG: Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Passing The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

KidStreet Dismissal

[ages 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed]

WORD

Congregational Prayer

Scripture reading: Matthew 2: 13-23

Sermon Christmas Turning Out

SEND

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: Coventry Carol

Apostles' Creed

Benediction

SONG: All Glory Be To Christ

Go In Peace To Love And Serve The Lord, Jesus Christ!