

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.

THIS SUNDAY, SECOND OFFERING - Our second offering this **Sunday, August 9th**, will be for Celebrate Recovery.

PRAYER REQUEST - Will Banning, recovering from pneumonia at Beaumont Rehab & Nursing Center in Westborough.

CONNECTIONS MONTH
Join us in filling volunteer needs and registering to attend activities and events. Please see the connection corner for registration forms, volunteers forms, and more info about where you can get involved. Additional info will be added each week.

Volunteer need: Make a difference in the lives of middle school students! We're looking for caring, dependable adults. No need to have all the answers—just a willingness to build relationships, encourage students in their faith, and have fun. If you have a heart for mentoring the next generation and can commit to meeting two Wednesdays a month, we'd love to have you! See the Midweek schedule for specific dates. Contact us to learn more about this rewarding opportunity! Mark True at: MSyouth@pscrc.org

SUMMER OFFICE SCHEDULE - The church office hours may vary during the summer months due to vacations. Thank you.
Church Office closed: August 10 & 11

SENIOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP - Join us on **Wed., August 12th** from **9:30-11am** for coffee and donuts!

PEACE OF BREAD - Volunteers (5-6) needed to help serve meals on **Wed, Aug 12.** from **5:15-6pm.** After serving, we'll help with cleanup and enjoy a team meal around 6:30 p.m. Call or text Keith VandenAkker at (508) 735-7764 to volunteer. Thanks!

WOMEN’S SUMMER STUDIES - Meeting at Fairwoods, located at: 116 W Hartford Ave, Uxbridge for its final study, "*Jesus in Every Book of the Bible*" on **August 13.** If you need childcare (infants | pre-school age), please let us know. For more information, please contact Anna Bloem @ 774.287.499

NAC BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES! The Deacons are collecting school supplies for Northbridge Public Schools students in grades K-12. **Deadline: August 16.** Help families by purchasing backpacks & supplies. Our goal is to fill at least 10 backpacks. Donate items in the large plastic bin in the Fellowship Hall near the coat hangers. Thanks!

MIDDLE SCHOOL GLOW GAMES NIGHT - Middle schoolers and their families are invited for pizza, fellowship, campfire, games, and glow sticks at Fairwoods on **Friday, August 28th**, from **6-9pm.** Parents and guardians, please plan to stay for this event. **RSVP Mark True at: MSyouth@pscrc.org** so we know you are coming!

FAIRWOODS ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ - This year’s chicken bbq fundraiser will be **Saturday, August 29th.** Dinner is **5-7pm** (or until we run out). Cost: \$17 for a half chicken; \$13 for a quarter chicken. Kids under 5 eat free. Dinner also includes: salad, corn, rolls, baked potato and desert. All are welcome to join this wonderful event. It is Cash/ Check only.

PART-TIME CROSSING GUARD POSITION
Northbridge Middle School
Salary: \$21.00 per day (regardless of weather conditions)
Days: Monday through Friday
Hours: 7:15 am to 7:45 am and 1:55 pm to 2:25 pm
Inquire about position: Please call (508) 234-8718.
email Principal Sue Palmer-Howes at spalmerhowes@nps.org or Assistant Principal Russell Cron at rcron@nps.org.

Ministry Staff — How Can We Serve You?
Sr. Pastor: Rev. Matthew Burns; matthew@pscrc.org
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Hrs: M-Th: 8am-12pm | F: 8–10am | 508-234-5268

Shepherding Pastorates — Alphabetical By Last Name:
A-Bt — Elder Sandy Wynja & Deacon Taryn Flagg
Bu-Fz — Elder Scott Schneider & Deacon Karyn Schneider
G-Kt — Elder Steve Stinson & Deacon Beth Bol
Ku-Nz— Elder Mike Anema & Deacon Brian St. Denis
O-Tq — Elder Dexter Greene & Deacon Cathy Greene
Tr-Z — Elder John Woudenbergen & Deacon Jodie Woudenbergen

WELCOME
We’re so glad you’ve joined us!
August 9, 2026, 9:30 am

Fruitful: Growing in Grace
Titus 1: 1-5, 10-15; 3: 3-8
The Fruit of the Spirit is Kindness & Goodness



If you have been worshipping 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.

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

M	6:30p	Celebrate Recovery
T	7:00p	Deacon Meeting
W	9:30a	Senior Coffee Fellowship
	6:30p	Prayer Group

Prayer of Preparation

Heavenly Father, as we gather today, we pause to quiet our hearts and minds. Deliver us from the distractions, worries, and rushing of the week. Prepare us to worship You in spirit and in truth. In the mighty name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Give thanks to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

There is none like you, O Lord;

Nor are there any deeds that compare with yours.

All the nations you have made shall come

And bow down before you, O Lord,

And shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things,

You alone are God. (Psalm 86: 8-10)

SONG: O Worship the King

Prayer of Adoration

RENEWAL

Call to Confession

Holy and Merciful God,

You pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.

And so, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world.

Generous God, You have made us with a heart to love you, and yet our hearts are full of fears and jealousies that set neighbor against neighbor

and nation against nation. Lord, these fears and jealousies live inside of us, too.

Lord have mercy.

Holy God, You have given us a will to obey you and a mind to know you, and yet we abuse these gifts of imagination, intellect, and freedom; Filling our minds and our time with what does not matter and cannot satisfy.

Lord, our minds are not firmly fixed on you, either.

Lord have mercy.

Have mercy on us, O God.

In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.

Silent Prayer

By your Spirit enlarge our hearts

that they might be full of the love of God;

Fix our eyes on Jesus,

that our minds might be renewed;

Show us Christ's obedience;

that our will might be to do yours.

For we are followers of Jesus

because of Christ Jesus,

who gave everything,

laying down his life for us.

Amen.

Words of Assurance

God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely, therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

SONG: How Great is Our God

Offering: Ministries of Pleasant Street



2nd Offering: Celebrate Recovery

SONG: Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Passing the Peace

The Peace of Christ is with you.

And also with you.

KidStreet Dismissal *{age 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed}*

WORD

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Titus 1: 1-5, 10-15; 3: 3-8

Sermon

ECHO Dismissal *{Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed}*

SEND

SONG: Only A Holy God

Apostles' Creed

Benediction

SONG: Jesus Messiah

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Jesus Christ!