

FAMILY SUNDAY - Today is Family Sunday, which usually happens on 5th Sundays, so we have the opportunity to worship as one big family! We expect extra wiggles and whispers today as our KidStreet and Echo kids are with us through the whole service. The nursery is still open for anyone wanting childcare for ages 0-3. Labor Day weekend we will give our volunteers a break, but KidStreet and Echo will return on Sept 13.

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.

SPOTLIGHT:
GEMS - GEMS Girls’ Clubs is a fun, faith-filled, safe place for girls in grades 1–6. GEMS stands for Girls Everywhere Meeting the Savior. Being a girl today can be exciting— but also challenging. At GEMS, girls find a safe place to make new friends, learn about Jesus, discover their true worth, develop their talents, and make a difference in the world. GEMS Girls’ Clubs meet on Wednesdays, following the midweek schedule, to have fun, grow in faith, and encourage each other through Bible lessons, crafts, games, music, and service projects that help girls live out God’s love in real ways.

Volunteer Needs: Since 1958, GEMS has equipped ministry leaders, moms, and mentors to help raise up girls who are strong, secure, and confident in Christ. Please join us in leading this year!
Email: GEMS@pscrc.org

CADETS - The goal of Cadeting is to help boys grow more Christlike in all areas of life, based on Luke 2:52 “Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men". The boys learn that we can live for Jesus in everything we do, including camping, hiking, first aid, compass l geocaching, crafts, games, building sleds, racing derby cars, and more.

Volunteer Needs: We need a few more men to help as counselors. Being a counselor is a great opportunity to guide younger boys; Pass on your skills, knowledge and experience; Create new friendships with younger men and /or older men; Grow spiritually; Have fun; Get outside more and run around; Build stuff with your hands and an occasional power tool.
Email: Cadets@pscrc.org

RETURN TO SANCTUARY - We are moving back to the Sanctuary for worship next **Sunday, September 6th!** **Following worship TODAY, we would appreciate having a few willing hands to help move tables/chairs** back to storage and rearrange Fellowship Hall back to its normal set up.

PRAYER GROUP gathers **every Wednesday night at 6:30 pm** We usually meet on Midweek Wednesday nights, the same time as the youth groups, but we also meet whenever we need to. We’d love for anyone who wants to join us! Please contact Anna Bloem at bloemmab@yahoo.com

POLICY & SAFETY MEETING - It's important that all children and youth volunteers join us for our yearly Policy and Safety Meeting on **Wed, September 2 at 6:15pm** in the fellowship hall. You will learn updates to our policy, get an outline of policies and best practices, and receive a printed or emailed copy of the updated Safe Church Policy. This is a good time to fill out volunteer forms (needed yearly) and CORIs (needed every 3 years) as well. If you are unable to make it, please **contact Kate Martinka:** kate@pscrc.org so you can still receive this important info.

WHITINSVILLE CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE - **Begins on Wednesday, September 9, at 9:30 a.m.** at Spare Time on Church Street in Whitinsville. Please contact Beth Bol at 508-335-4957 or Sandy Wynja at 508-282-1049 if interested or with questions. We welcome any lady of any age or ability to join us!

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY - Meets **every Thursday morning at 7:30-8:30am starting on Sept 10** with a study of the book of Romans. Coffee, baked goods, and Bible study materials are provided. We pray that more men will join us. You may contact Harold Blaue at blaue69@verizon.net or Jack Crawford at john.h.crawford@verizon.net.

WOMEN’S COFFEE BREAK - Group will meets **every Tuesday starting on September 15th at 9:30am** in the fellowship hall. For our first session, we will do a Meet & Greet along with a Tour of Scotland. All women are welcome! Bring your pre-school children along. Childcare is provided. Please contact Anna Bloem at bloemmab@yahoo.com

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS - Are there church members you feel would be great candidates for the offices of elder or deacon? We're currently accepting nominations for Council, and both men and women are welcome to serve. If you know someone you'd like to put forward, please send their name and the office you're nominating them for to Tom Cooper, President of Council, at tacooper@pm.me.

Ministry Staff — How Can We Serve You?
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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 Woudenberg & Deacon Jodie Woudenberg

WELCOME
We’re so glad you’ve joined us!
August 30, 2026, 9:30am
Family Sunday
Series: Fruitful
Matthew 11:25-30
The Gentleness of Jesus



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	Church Council Meeting
W	6:15p	Policy & Safety Meeting
	6:30p	Prayer Group

Prayer of Preparation

O Lord, thank you for my faith. Sustain it.
Strengthen it. Deepen it. Don't let it fail. Make it the
power of my life, so that in everything I do,
you get the glory as the great Giver. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship - Matthew 11:28-30

The Lord is with you.
And also with you.

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. For my yoke is
easy and my burden is light.”*

SONG: This Really Is Amazing Grace

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Fix your thoughts on Jesus, whom we acknowledge
as our apostle and high priest. He was faithful to the
one who appointed him, just as Moses was faithful in
all God's house. Jesus has been found worthy of greater
honor than Moses, just as the builder of a house has
greater honor than the house itself. For every house is
built by someone, but God is the builder of everything.
“Moses was faithful as a servant in all God's house,” bearing
witness to what would be spoken by God in the future.
But Christ is faithful as the Son over God's house. And
we are his house, if indeed we hold firmly to our
confidence and the hope in which we glory.

SONG: Jesus Is Better

RENEWAL

Call to Confession

**Shepherding God, we hear your invitations to rest.
Forgive us for ignoring you.**

Slowing down seems so impossible. There are too
many demands on our time and too many problems
for us to solve, and we know we can't love our best
when we're so busy.

**We've lost our tempers and lost our patience with
those around us. We haven't been gentle, God,
with ourselves and with each other.**

We confess our prideful need for control
and the sharp edges we've developed as a result.

Soften us, God.

Help us trust that you are near, that you hold all
things in your hands, that we can rest in you.

Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Hear these comforting words: Nothing in all of
creation can separate us from the love of God in
Christ Jesus our Lord. By his love we are forgiven,
and in his love we can rest. People of God, be at peace.
God has made you holy and whole.

Thanks be to God!

Offering: Ministries of Pleasant Street

SONG: The King of My Heart



Passing the Peace
The Peace of Christ is with you.
And also with you.

Children's Message

WORD

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Matthew 11:25-30

Sermon

COMMUNION

SONG: Holy Spirit (Living Breath of God)

SONG: How Deep The Fathers Love for Us

SEND

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

SONG: Mighty To Save

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