

### Ministry Staff — How can we serve You?

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**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 to reflect and get to know each other, lasting 10 minutes. We don't meet on the last Sunday of each month.
- All ages are welcome to stay in the service. There is space under the balcony and in the fellowship hall if you need to get the wiggles out.
- **FAMILY SUNDAY** All ages worship together when there is a 5th Sunday; there is no Nursery, KidStreet, or Echo.

### FROM COUNCIL

**TODAY** — We will be installing John Woudenberg as Elder and Cathy Greene & Ruth Haringa as Deacons. We are thankful for the service of Elder Tony Brookhouse, Deacons Ruth Bandstra, & Dexter Greene. Dawn Lefrancois & Connor Kuik will continue to serve as an Elder and Deacon for one more year. The new officers and pastorates will be announced in the coming weeks.

### CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

**LET'S PRAY TOGETHER** — For our shut-ins this winter: Mike Beinema, Alice Cook, Nellie De Vries, Arthur and Henrietta Hoogendyk, Winifred Nydam, Theona Taylor, Ellie VanHouten and Art Wynja. Pray for our MISSIONARIES around the world. Pray for our Wycliffe Bible Translators, John & Carol Berthelette who sent out a newsletter. Please also pray for the sick and healing in our church.

**WEATHER RELATED CHURCH CANCELLATION** — Notices will be posted on our website and social media pages as well as with WBZ (CBS Channel 4) and WCVB (ABC Channel 5).

### GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

**READING & FELLOWSHIP GROUP** — Ever wonder how your story fits into God's big story? When you look back over where you have been, can you see where God has been at work? What are your hopes for the future? How do you view time? We will explore these topics as we read Os Guinness' book '*Carpe Diem Redeemed*' in a new study group starting on January 27 and meeting every 2nd and 4th Saturday evening through April. If you are in a 50's+ age bracket, this study is for you—though others are welcome too! A special invite to former "Young Marrieds" from the 1980's! Interested? Contact Sue Cooper at sjcoop@gmail.com for more information. Sign up for a book in the connections corner.

**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY!** — Food, fun and fellowship! On Sunday, February 11, bring a soup or chili to share and enjoy a potluck "Souper Bowl" lunch after service with our church family.

### SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

**SECOND OFFERINGS** — Our second offering today will be for World Renew Disaster Relief Services (DRS) which specializes in long-term recovery. They focus on supporting local recovery efforts by offering knowledge and expertise, as well as hands-on services such as home construction and needs assessments— Thank You for your support!

### REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

**2024 JANUARY SERIES LECTURES** — You are invited to the Calvin College January Series beginning January 15 and continuing weekdays through February 2 at Fairlawn Church. Each lecture will be shown via live feed from Calvin College, 12:30-1:30pm. If you are interested in sponsoring a January Series lecture, please call Don Stahl at 508.341.9500 or Ellen Stahl at 508.234.2349 for more details.

**THE FAIRWOODS ANNUAL** — Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 22 right at Fairlawn, starting at 7pm. The Agenda and Budget were distributed via email. Voting at the annual meeting is open to all professing members of Pleasant Street who paid their Fairwoods dues for the 2023 season. Everyone is invited to attend even if they have not paid Fairwoods dues.

# WELCOME

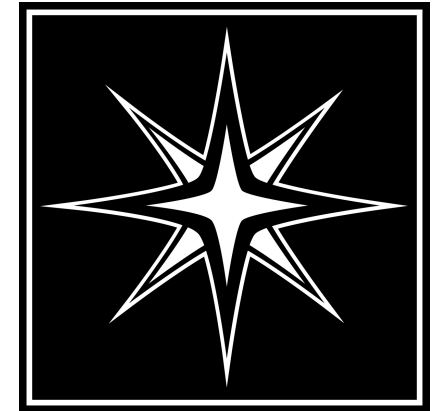
**We're glad you joined us!**

508.234.5268 +

Office Hours: 8am–4pm Mon-Fri

January 14, 2024 + 9:30am

*"Revealing Jesus: The Gospel of Mark in Epiphany"*



*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

Today 8:30a HS Youth Group Breakfast: Foundation  
M 9:30a Women's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall  
6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall  
T 9:30a Coffee Break: Fellowship Hall; Childcare  
W 6:30p Prayer Meeting: Prayer Room  
Th 6:30a Men's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall

*Prayer of preparation*

*Almighty Lord God, you gave your Son, Jesus Christ, to be the light of the world: We praise and magnify your holy name that in him you have revealed the wonder of your saving love to all people.*

*In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

**GATHER**

*Welcome and Announcements*

*Call to Worship*

O Come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done.

**The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star.**

O Come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done.

**The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious star.**

O Come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done.

**The Christ who embodies the Word unveils the hidden plan.**

Making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel.

**O Come, let us worship the Lord, for God has done wondrous things.**

SONGS: *House of the Lord*

*How Great is Our God*

**RENEWAL**

*Call to Confession*

God of grace, you have given us Jesus, the light of the world.

**But we choose darkness.**

We cling to things that hide the brightness of your love.

**Immersed in ourselves, we have not risen to new life.**

Baptize us with your spirit that, forgiven and Almighty Lord God, you gave your Son, Jesus Christ, to be the light of the world. We praise and magnify your holy name that in him you have revealed the wonder of your saving love to all people. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. Renewed, we may preach your Word to the nations.

**Your glory shines in the face of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our light forever. Amen.**

*Silent Confession*

*Words of Assurance — 1 John 1:5-7*

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

**Thanks be to God!**

**COMMIT**

*Elder and Deacon Installation*

*Morning Offerings: 1) Ministries of Pleasant Street;*

*2) World Renew Disaster Relief Services*



SONG: *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

*Passing the Peace*

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

*KidStreet Dismissal*

*[Children age 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed]*

**WORD**

*Morning Prayers*

*Mark 1:21-45 + "The Authority to Heal"*

**SEND**

*ECHO Dismissal*

*[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]*

SONG: *Come as You Are*

*Apostle's Creed*

*Benediction*

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace.

SONG: *In Christ Alone*

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