

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. Please pick your children up from nursery and KidStreet after the service, but students in Echo will be released to come to the fellowship hall.

- **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.

WE WARMLY WELCOME — This morning Pastor Kaitlin Givens who will preach the Word.

FROM COUNCIL

NEXT SUNDAY — We will be installing Eric Wierenga & Sandy Wynja as Elder and Tanya Anema, Kelly Lariviere, Karyn Schneider & Jodie Woudenberg as Deacon. We are thankful for the service of Elders Emily Fortna & Thalia Towle; Deacons Beth Bol, Phil Knapper & Kate Mogan. Dexter Greene will continue to serve as a Deacon for one more year. Brett Buma will continue as President, Pastor Matthew as Vice President and Thalia Towle as Treasurer. Sue Cooper will be the Clerk. The new pastorates will be announced next week.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For our *MISSIONARIES* around the world. A newsletter from Scott & Hanne Larson from Straight Ahead Ministries was sent out last week. Please also pray for the sick and healing in our church.

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

2023 CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE — Please notify Sadie of any changes to your information (including college students!). Regular attendees, we'd love to have your information updated as well. Thanks for your help!

CAREER TALK 4 — The monthly career meeting for college, post-college, new professional, and working young adults. We will gather for an evening of dessert, conversation, and networking. Join us next Tuesday at 7pm in the Foundation. Questions: Email Jonathan Steele at jsteele1964@gmail.com.

WOMEN OF PLEASANT STREET — Studying the Bible with others is an important part of growing in our Christian life. Join us for *Coffee Break*, an informal community Bible study on Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11am. The coffee is hot and the fellowship is sweet!

PRAYER GROUP — We'd love to have you join us on Wednesday nights for Prayer Time at 6:30pm to pray for Pleasant Street Church, the needs of the church and its people, our community, and nation—*Please join us!*

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

2022 CONTRIBUTION REPORTS — are available through Realm. Please use the dates 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022 (and then press filter) to generate your report. If you are unable to print, please see Sadie in the office.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

2023 JANUARY SERIES LECTURES — You are invited to the Calvin College January Series. weekdays through January 27 at Fairlawn Church. Each lecture will be shown via live feed from Calvin College, 12:30-1:30pm.

THE FAIRWOODS ANNUAL — meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 23 at Fairlawn CRC, starting at 7pm. The Agenda and Budget for 2023 will be sent out to all Fairwoods members in early January. Voting at the annual meeting is open to Professing Members of PSCRC who have fully paid their Fairwoods membership dues for the 2022 season. We still encourage all church members to take part in this meeting even if you have not paid your membership dues.

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a-4p Mon-Fri

January 15, 2023 + 9:30am

"Stretched in Love"



PLEASANT STREET
CHRISTIAN REFORMED
CHURCH

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

Tonight 6:30p HS Youth Group Study: Foundation
M 9:30a Women's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall
6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
T 9:30a Coffee Break: Fellowship Hall; Childcare
6:00p Women's CR Step Study: Classroom E
6:30p Divorce Care: Fellowship Hall
6:30p Grief Share: Fellowship Hall
7:00p Young Adult Career Forum: Foundation
W 6:15p Midweek @ PS 🍷
6:30p Adult Bible Study: Classroom E
6:30p Prayer Meeting: Under the Balcony

Prayer of Preparation

*You, loving God, are the ground of our being and the river of life; you both steady our roots and draw them to seek the living waters. You are everything to us. O let our gratitude be great, let our praise be plentiful, Let our worship be wonder-full!
Through Christ Jesus your ever-living Son. Amen!*

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

The Lord is with you

And also with you

God looks from heaven upon the children of earth to see whether there are any wise enough to seek the fellowship of God.

By faith, may Christ live within our hearts, that we may be rooted and grounded in love and filled with all the fullness of God.

When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, the people of faith shall rejoice, and the whole church be glad.

We bow down before the Father of Christ Jesus, from whom every family on earth is named.

To God be all the glory,
in the church and in Christ Jesus
forever and ever.

Amen!

SONGS: *Raise A Hallelujah*
This Is Amazing Grace

RENEWAL

Prayer of Confession

Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you.

You constantly call us, but we do not listen.

You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Almighty God grants you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Amen.

COMMIT

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street;



SONG: *Be Still My Soul*

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

Ephesians 3:14-21 + "Stretched in Love"

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: *This I Believe (The Creed)*

SEND

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: *All Glory Be To Christ / Doxology*

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

The candle in the front is lit as a symbol that Jesus Christ is present in our worship this morning.