

## LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

- M 6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall  
2:00p Open Door: Foundation
- T 9:30a Coffee Break: Fellowship Hall; Childcare  
2:00p Open Door: Foundation
- W 5:00p CR Women's Step Study: Classroom E  
6:15p Mid-Week @ PS  
7:00p Prayer Meeting: Classroom E
- Th 2:00p Open Door: Foundation  
7:00p CR Men's Step Study: Classroom E  
7:30p College Game Night: Foundation

### MINISTRY STAFF — HOW CAN WE SERVE YOU?

Sr. Pastor: Rev. Matthew Burns / Youth: Pastor Annika Bangma / Children: Kate Martinka; Office/Finance: Sadie Perkins/  
firstname@psrc.org.

WE WARMLY WELCOME — This morning Pastor Bill Vis, who will preach the Word.

### CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For students returning to school and college for the upcoming semester.

### GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

THE 125th — Anniversary Books are here! They include pictures and information about our church history, the many ministries and activities we have, and the 125th Anniversary celebration weekend. Go to your mailbox to get your copy. If an extra book is needed, stop by the table in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy!

MANY THANKS — for your prayers, well wishes, cards, and gifts. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever (Psalm 118:1)—Howard & Marlene DeVries

DIVORCE CARE & GRIEF-SHARE — New groups will start next Tuesday, January 11 at 6:30pm. See Pastor Howard for more information.

WOMENS BIBLE STUDY — will not be meeting in the month of January due to the rising COVID cases. Thanks for your understanding.

### SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

SECOND OFFERINGS — Our second offering next week will be for World Renew Disaster Relief.

2021 CONTRIBUTION REPORTS — are available through Realm. Please use the dates 1/1/2021 to 12/31/2021 (and then press filter) to generate your report. If you are unable to print, please see Sadie in the office.

COFFEE SETUP — If you are willing to help make coffee before worship (instructions provided) please see Sadie. We have empty slots and would love to fill them! Thanks!

NAC FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS — May be placed in the baskets available at the main and back entrances. Thanks for your sharing your gifts with those who are in need.

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).

### REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

2022 JANUARY SERIES LECTURES — You are invited to the Calvin College January Series beginning January 10 and continuing weekdays through January 28 at Fairlawn Church. Each lecture will be shown via live feed from Calvin College, 12:30-1:30pm. Visit [www.calvin.edu/january](http://www.calvin.edu/january) for more details on the presenters, topics, the remote site locations, times, online listening, and past presentation archives.

THE FAIRWOODS ANNUAL — meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 31 at Fairlawn CRC, starting at 7pm. The Agenda and Budget for 2022 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 2021 season. We still encourage all church members to take part in this meeting even if you have not paid your membership dues.

## Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a–3p Mon-Fri

January 2, 2022 + 9:30 am

Welcome! We are so glad that you are here!



*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. If you're asking questions about faith and spirituality, join us in our formation opportunities and ministry events to learn more and meet others. Help us get to know you or let us know how we can pray for you by filling in the Communication Card in the fellowship hall and putting it in the offering basket—we'll be in touch.*

### WORSHIP — Celebrate What God Is Doing

*We would love to help your kids become devoted followers of Christ! Please visit the Children's Ministry check-in station in the fellowship hall to get a security tag so your children can join us downstairs. The nursery is open for infants through 3 year olds during the whole service. KidStreet Children's Church for age 4-2nd grade is dismissed to go with teachers right before the sermon. Please bring your security tag to pick up your children in the nursery or classroom C after the service. Echo for kids in 3rd-5th grade will meet in classroom B but will be dismissed to the fellowship hall at the end of the service.*

*We are excited to serve you!*

*The Lord be with you!*

*Prayer of Preparation*

*Almighty Father, when Jesus took on flesh, you sent a new light into the world; give us grace in worship today that we might receive the same light and be guided into your way of salvation. In Jesus name, Amen.*

**GATHER**

*Welcome and Announcements*

*Call to Worship*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

People of God, in whom do you trust?

**Our help is in the name of the Lord our God, who shows his mercy in Jesus Christ.**

Therefore in view of God's mercy,

**we join our hearts and voices in praise to the Lord.**

In view of God's mercy,

**we offer ourselves as living sacrifice to the Lord.**

In view of God's mercy,

**we are being conformed to the image of the Lord.**

Brothers and Sisters, let us worship the Lord in view of his mercy!

SONGS: *Goodness of God*  
*Great Are You Lord*

**RENEWAL**

*Prayer of Confession*

Gracious God, in the water of baptism you show us a picture of what you have done by your Spirit: washed us of our sin, drowned our old habits of death, and raised us into a new identity. Your Spirit makes us one in Christ Jesus. Lord, we confess there are many ways that we have failed to put on Christ and have remained divided. Lord, across the barriers that divide ethnicities:

**reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.**

Across the barriers that divide rich from poor:

**reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.**

Across the barriers that divide culture:

**reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.**

Across the barriers that divide Christians:

**reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.**

**Enable us to see and name the ways that we cause strife; remove from us all that harms our fellowship with you and with each other.**

*Silent confession*

Gracious God, pour out your Spirit upon us that these barriers might be washed away and that we might rise once more into the good news that there is now nothing which separates us from your Love. in Jesus name we pray, Amen.

SONGS: *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*  
*I Stand Amazed*

*Words of Assurance*

Brothers and sisters, in the water of our baptism, we were baptized into the death of Jesus. We were buried with him so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life through faith in Christ.

**Praise be to God, who claimed us in baptism!**  
**By his grace, God has called us to a life of ministry in a broken world wearing the clothes of his Son.**

Redeeming God, cleansed and forgiven, send us out in a rush of good news, so that Christ's love and mercy might flow from this place to our community and to the world beyond. Amen.

*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*

*2 Corinthians 10:5 + "If Only I Could Control My Thoughts?"*

**COMMIT**

*ECHO Dismissal ]*

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

*Morning Offerings for the Ministries of Pleasant Street Church*

SONG: *Take My Life*

**SEND**

*Sending Prayer:*

Gathering, blessing and sending God, in Christ you have washed us of sin; eroding away destructive habits and nourishing sincere love. Send us now in the power of your Spirit that we may be faithful to our baptismal calling, serving all from a deep well of love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray, **Amen.**

*Benediction*

May Jesus Christ, the sun of righteousness,  
Who comes with healing in his wings,  
Fill you with all joy and peace in believing.  
And may the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **AMEN.**

SONG: *The Blessing*

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