

MINISTRY STAFF — HOW CAN WE SERVE YOU?

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SHEPHERDING PASTORATES — Alphabetical by last name:

A-Br — Elder Sandy Wynja & Ruth Bandstra
Bs-Eo — Elder Eric Wierenga & Deacon Karyn Schneider
Ep-HI — Elder Chuck McGrath & Deacon Jody Woudenberg
Hm-Mc — Elder Sue Cooper & Deacon Tanya Anema
Md-S — Elder Dawn Lefrancois & Deacon Dexter Greene
T-Z — Elder Tony Brookhouse & Deacon Mike O'Rourke

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.

FROM COUNCIL

TODAY — 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, Lauren McGrath & 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 and Connor Kuik is the Chair of Deacons.

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, Babe Nydam, Theona Taylor, Ellie VanHouten and Art Wynja. Please keep in your prayers Karen Stinson and family. We also pray for the Van der Schijff family as Ockert's nephew passed away last week in South Africa. Remember to keep Ockert & Elsabé in your thoughts and prayers as they are currently in SA and dealing with this unexpected loss of their nephew—*The Lord be with you!*

THANK YOU — Healing Heart Hospitality House wants to Thank You for the very generous collection of \$833. Our God is so good to work in your hearts to help us as we help those in medical crisis in the Worcester area hospitals. God bless and thank you for the encouragement—*The HHHH Team!*

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

SAVE THE DATE ...MISSIONS EVENT — Breakfast with Larry & Ruth Spalink whom we have supported for many years through Faith Promise. Our missions team along with Fairlawn missions team will provide a brunch on Saturday, February 18 from 10:00-11:30am. Please contact Sadie if you plan to attend or see the sign up sheet in the connections corner. RSVP is required—*The Missions Team!*

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

YOUTH LEADERS & PRAYER PARTNERS — As you know our Youth Ministry has **grown**. We are in need of a couple more youth leaders and prayer partners. Youth leadership is powerful, and it's our responsibility to find avenues for every student to develop as a leader. When we further engage in an intergenerational way, the benefits are compounded for students, adults, and the school community. Please see Ruth Bandstra, if you are interested in becoming a youth leader or prayer partner.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

THE FAIRWOODS ANNUAL — meeting is scheduled tomorrow at Fairlawn CRC, starting at 7pm. 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 22, 2023 + 9:30am

"Who we are Becoming - A Growing-Up Church"



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

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
6:30p Divorce Care: Fellowship Hall
6:30p Grief Share: Foundation
W 6:30p Prayer Meeting: Fellowship Hall

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

All glorious God, we give you thanks. In your Son, Jesus Christ, you have given us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms.

You chose us before the world was made to be your holy people. You adopted us as your children in Christ.

You have set us free by his blood; you have forgiven our sins.

You have made known to us your secret purpose, to bring heaven and earth into unity in Christ.

You have given us your Holy Spirit, the seal and pledge of our inheritance.

All praise and glory be yours, O God, for the richness of your grace, for the splendor of your gifts, for the wonder of your love.

SONGS: *Your Grace is Enough*
How Marvelous

RENEWAL

Prayer of Confession

Dear friends, let us love one another, because love comes from God. Whoever loves is a child of God and knows God.

Jesus Christ, life of the world and of all creation, forgive our separation and grant us peace and unity.

The peace that Christ gives is to guide us in the decisions we make, for it is to this peace that God has called us together into one body.

Jesus Christ, life of the world and of all creation, forgive our separation and grant us peace and unity.

With his own body he broke down the walls of separation.

By his death on the cross Christ destroyed our divisions.

Jesus Christ, life of the world and of all creation, forgive our separation and grant us peace and unity.

Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Hear these words of assurance from 1 Peter 2: You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. People of God, all of us together have received God's mercy in Christ. In Christ we are forgiven, redeemed, and made to be a community united in faith.

Thanks be to God.

COMMIT

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street;



SONG: *In Christ Alone*

Installation of Elders & Deacons

Introduction

Beloved congregation of Jesus Christ: Today we celebrate because our Faithful God continues to provide leadership for us, his people. One of the ways God cares for us is by providing elders and deacons. Today we celebrate the work that Emily Fortna, Thalia Towle, Phil Knapper, Beth Bol, Lauren McGrath, and Kate Mogan have done these years; They have served well.

We praise you Lord for empowering their leadership and service among us. Give Emily, Thalia, Phil, Beth, Lauren, and Kate rest from their work.

We praise God today for also providing successors, Eric Wierenga, Sandy Wynja, Tanya Anema, Jodie Woudenberg, Kelly Lariviere, and Karen Schneider. Jesus shows his love for the church by giving us elders and deacons. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ appoints leaders from among us and by his Spirit equips them to serve the church, so that the church may grow.

Grow in faith; in discipleship and obedience; in selfless service for others; and thereby grow in living the good news of the gospel.

Ordination/Installation Instructions and Questions

Beloved people of God, do you receive Eric, Sandy, Tanya, Jodie, Kelly, and Karyn as servants of Jesus himself for your growth? Will you pray for and encourage them as they accept this responsibility for our common life? Do you promise to respond to their service and leadership with trust and love, as if to Jesus himself?

We do, God helping us.

Charge to Elders/Deacons

SONG: *I Surrender All*

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 4: 1-7; 11-16 +

“Who we are Becoming - A Growing-Up Church”

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: *This I Believe*

SEND

Benediction

SONG: *They'll Know We are Christians by our Love*

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