

Ministry Staff — How can we serve You?

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Shepherding Pastorates — Alphabetical by last name:

A-Br — Elder Sandy Wynja & Deacon Kelly Lariviere
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Hm-Mc — Elder Sue Cooper & Deacon Tanya Anema
Md-S — Elder Dawn Lefrancois & Deacon Cathy Greene
T-Y — Elder John Woudenberg & Deacon Jodie Woudenberg

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.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Global Peace: *"Dear Heavenly Father, we come before You with heavy hearts, praying for peace to fill our world. We ask for Your divine intervention to bring an end to conflicts, violence, and hatred. May Your peace reign in the hearts of leaders and individuals worldwide. We trust in Your power to heal and unite nations."* Please also Pray for comfort, recovery, and hope for hurricane survivors in Florida and the southeastern US.

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY — Will not meet for the next two weeks. We will be back on Monday, October 28. Hope to see you then.

FAITH PROMISE DRIVE — Pledgers may promise to donate a set amount every month or to give a single yearly donation. Please fill out the colored **tear-off tag** in the offering basket today or any Sunday through this month and November. This is a faith pledge of how much God would have you give in 2025, for local and global missionaries that our church supports.

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES
OUR SECOND OFFERING — Today will be World Renew (Disaster Relief).

GEMS GIRLS CLUB — Our attendance has more than doubled and we are looking for a few new leaders! Meetings are great fun and are held two Wednesdays per month, now through April, 6:15-8pm. If you are a woman who is being called to step into the lives of young girls grades 1-5 and share your energy and love for Jesus with them, please call, text or find Sandy Kuipers for more information, 508.864.8047.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY
CROP HUNGER WALK — Most people don't want to take the time to do the 3-mile walk, and that is OK, we are trying to raise money to support our NAC Food Pantry and the Uxbridge Food Pantry, in addition to supporting CWS Global. Please make a secure donation online, or pick up a form so you can join the Pleasant Street Church's team and walk the CROP Hunger Walk on Saturday, October 26! Let me know if you need more information. Thank you in advance for your generosity!—*Keith VandenAkker!*

THE BOLTON CONFERENCE — Will be held Friday, October 25, 3-8:30pm and Saturday, October 26, 9:15-2:30pm at our church on the theme, *"Backsliding; Prevention and Recovery."* For details, to register and see a brochure, please go to BoltonConference.org.

THE FAIRWOODS BOARD — Is very thankful for all your support this season. Our Fall Clean Up day is Saturday, October 19. Come anytime after 8am to rake, chop, pull, and clean. The exercise, coffee, and donuts are all free!

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 +

Office Hours: 8am–3pm Mon-Fri

October 13, 2024 + 9:30am

The Upside Down Kingdom: "Getting God's Attention"



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 Breakfast: Foundation
M Columbus Day - Church Offices Closed
6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
T 9:30a Coffee Break: Fellowship Hall; Childcare
W 6:30p Prayer Meeting: Prayer Room
Th 7:30a Men's Bible Study: Fellowship

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship — from Psalm 89

The Lord is with you.

And also, with you.

Praise be to our Faithful Lord, Jesus Christ.

I will sing of the Lord's great love forever, with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself. You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant, I will establish your line forever and make your throne firm through all generations."

The heavens praise your wonders, Lord, your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.

For who in the skies above can compare with the Lord?

Who is like the Lord among the heavenly beings?

In the council of the holy ones God is greatly feared, he is more awesome than all who surround him.

Who is like you, Lord God Almighty? You, Lord, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

You rule over the surging sea, when its waves mount up, you still them.

Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, Lord. They rejoice in your name all day long, they celebrate your righteousness. For you are their glory and strength.

Praise be to the Lord forever! Amen and Amen.

SONGS: *Hosanna (Praise is Rising)*

Rock of Ages

RENEWAL

Confession from - "Lord Teach Us to Pray."

Lord, teach us to pray.

So, we might awaken to the wonder of your presence and feel gratitude for your gift of life today. So, we might discover your kingdom as revealed in our sisters and brothers and find safety beneath the shelter of your wings.

So, we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

So, we might forgive those who have wronged us and trust your perfect plans. So, we might love you with our whole hearts, and love our neighbors as ourselves.

So, we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

So, the truth of your Word resonates in what we say and sing. So, we might prepare a way through the wilderness of chaos and pain. So, our eyes are alert and our souls awake to your movement in our midst and our good work is fruitful in the reign of your kingdom.

So, we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

So, our voices bring a pleasing sound to your ear and the notes of our instruments rise sweetly to your throne. So, our singing is a light in the darkness, drawing nations to your grace.

So, we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

So, the lonely and hopeless find comfort in your abundant presence. So those in war and famine find the everlasting peace of your Spirit. So we are not indifferent to the suffering of the world around us. So, our songs help to make us look more like you.

So, we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news! If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. We can trust that God is good in all that is done.

COMMIT

*Morning Offerings: 1) Ministries of Pleasant Street;
2) World Renew (Disaster Relief)*



SONG: *Your Love is Strong*

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also, with you!

KidStreet Dismissal - [age 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed]

WORD

Morning Prayers

Matthew 6: 1-8,16-18 + "Getting God's Attention"

SEND

ECHO Dismissal - [Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: *Take my Life*

Apostle's Creed & Benediction

SONG: *It is Well with my Soul*