#### 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-Hl — Elder Chuck McGrath & Deacon Jodie 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.

- **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.

WE ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME BACK — This morning Pastor Mike Sullivan, who will preach the Word.

#### CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

**LET'S PRAY TOGETHER** — For peace between Israeli and Palestine—we lift our prayer to you, Lord, hear us. Lord, we raise Israel and Gaza to you, and pray for those suffering. We ask that you provide peace in this crisis, and protection and comfort for all those who have been impacted.

BLESSINGS — to Will Banning who celebrates his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday next Thursday—may God be with you as you celebrate a long life of love and faith. Let his light shine in you as your journey with Christ continues—'In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven'—Matthew 5:16. "Happy Birthday, Will"

**BIG THANK YOU** — On behalf of the deacons and our congregation at Pleasant Street, we extend our utmost appreciation and thanks to Maggie Creaser for her dedication to our church family in her many years as the helping hands coordinator.

#### **GROW** — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

**POTLUCK GATHERING** — Family Sunday, October 29: We will celebrate our new members with a potluck luncheon (after the service). Families and couples are asked to bring a main dish and a salad or dessert. Hot & cold drinks will be provided.

MOMS' BREAKFAST GROUP — Come away for a morning to be fed both by good food and by fellowship with other moms who are raising children still at home. We will encourage one another in the challenge and privilege of nurturing our children's love and knowledge of Jesus. We meet at 'The Family Table' in Uxbridge on Saturdays at 7:30am. *Breakfast is provided*. Remaining dates are October 21, November 18 and December 16. If you are interested or you have questions, please contact Diana Burns at dlh21@calvinseminary.edu.

**FAITH PROMISE DRIVE** — Pledgers may promise to donate a set amount every month or to give a single yearly donation. Please fill out the traditional paper forms, which are located on the table by the entrance and can be placed in the offering container. To learn more about Faith Promise and our eleven missionaries, talk to any member of the Faith Promise team: Ruth Bandstra, Beth Bol, Lauren McGrath, Karyn Schneider and Wanda VanderZee.

**FALL SEMINAR** — We will be hosting yet another lecture series. **On Friday, November 17 at 6:30pm**, we will welcome Rev. Bonnie Gatchell co-founded Route One in Worcester, Ma., to serve women sexually exploited in strip clubs. This ministry also strives to equip the local church, and community leaders with the tools they need to understand trafficking, identify vulnerable people, and respond in the most healthy ways to those who have experienced sexual abuse. We hope you join us!

**REACH OUT** — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY **TEAM PLEASANT STREET CRC** — Is raising funds for the 2023

Blackstone Valley Annual CROP Hunger Walk next Saturday,

October 21. Our goal is to raise at least \$1200 this year. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

# **WELCOME**

### We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 +

Office Hours: 8am–4pm Mon-Fri October 15, 2023 + 9:30am "Run with Guts"



If you have been worshiping 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

W 6:15p Midweek @ PS

6:30p New Members Class: Under the Balcony

6:30p Prayer Meeting: Prayer Room

Th 6:30a Men's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall

#### Prayer of preparation

O Almighty God, you pour out your spirit of grace and of supplication on all who desire it. Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from cold hearts and wandering minds, that with steady thoughts and kindled passion we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **GATHER**

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship — from Psalm 106

Praise the Lord.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Who can proclaim the mighty acts of the Lord or fully declare his praise?

Blessed are those who act justly, who always do what is right.

Remember me, Lord, when you show favor to your people, come to my aid when you save them.

That I may enjoy the prosperity of your chosen ones, that I may share in the joy of your nation and join your inheritance in giving praise.

Let all the people say, Amen!

Amen!

Praise the Lord.

SONGS: Blessed be Your Name
Death was Arrested

#### RENEWAL

Call to Confession

God of mercy, in our impatience for answers, we sometimes turn to idols of our own making and forget our covenant with you.

### Passionate for what is right, we wrong those with whom we differ.

Pleased at the invitation to your banquet, we fail to arrive with humility and thanksgiving.

## Forgive us when our faith is weak and our zeal too strong.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Do not worry; the Lord is near. God hears our prayers with compassion and with abundant, steadfast love.

Rejoice, for in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

#### **COMMIT**

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street



Missions Video

SONG: Blessed Assurance

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

*Galatians* 1:1-4, 2:1-2, 7-9 + "Run with Guts"

#### SEND

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: Reckless Love

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: Glorious Day

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

Sermon Notes