

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.
- **FAMILY SUNDAY** All ages worship together when there is a 5th Sunday; there is no Nursery, KidStreet, or Echo.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — Our loving sympathy is extended to the Jorritsma family—sons Randy & Kurt—and their families in the passing of their mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend Edie. *The Lord be with you!*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF EDIE JORRITSMAS

May 8, 1939—October 1, 2023

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God + 2 Corinthians 1: 3-4

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

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.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY — Will not meet this Monday. We will be back on Monday, October 16. Hope to see you then.

FALL SEMINAR — We will be hosting yet another lecture series. On Friday, November 10 at 7pm, we will welcome Rev. Bonnie J. Gatchell who is an ordained minister with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. In 2010 she 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. Refreshments will be served—please join us!

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

OUR SECOND OFFERING — Today will be for the MS/HS Youth Group.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

FAIRWOODS HARVEST FESTIVAL — Fall is in the air! It's time for the annual Harvest Festival at Fairwoods. Join us on Saturday, October 14 from 4-6pm. We will be serving a wide variety of soups, warm apple crisp with ice cream, hot cider, bread, and cold drinks. There will be a soup and apple crisp option for those who are vegan and/or gluten free. Cost is \$10/adult and \$5/kid; kids under 5 are free. Bring your friends and come enjoy the beauty God created at Fairwoods!!

TEAM PLEASANT STREET CRC — Is raising funds for the 2023 Blackstone Valley Annual CROP Hunger Walk on Saturday, October 21. Our goal is to raise at least \$1200 this year. Thank you in advance for your generosity! Please use the below QR code to donate.



WELCOME

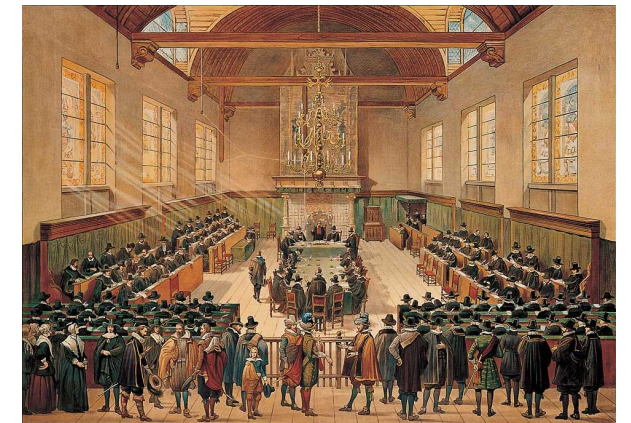
We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 +

Office Hours: 8am–4pm Mon-Fri

October 8, 2023 + 9:30am

"God Chooses to Adopt Us for God's own Reasons"



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 Fall Book Discussion Group: Foundation
6:30p Prayer Meeting: Prayer Room
Th 6:30a Men's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall

Prayer of preparation — Psalm 134

Praise the Lord, all you servants of the Lord who minister by night in the house of the Lord. Lift up your hands in the sanctuary and praise the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion, he who is the Maker of heaven and earth.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

People of God, in whom do you trust?

Our help is the name of the Lord our God, maker of heaven and earth.

Praise Be the God and Father of our lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing!

Before the world was made, God chose us in Christ to be holy and blameless before him in love.

In love he predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to God's great pleasure, to the praise of his glorious grace.

In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace. For this reason we bow before the Father. To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations. Forever and ever.

SONGS: *10,000 Reasons*
Lord, I Need You

BAPTISM: Washed, Marked, Called by God's Grace:

Words of Institution

Turning from sin to Christ Brothers and sisters, trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

We do.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept Him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

We do.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciples, obeying His Word and showing His love?

We will, God helping us.

Dedication

Brothers and sisters, washed by Christ, you have been clothed with Christ. Therefore, lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

SONG: *Wash O God, Our Sons And Daughters*

Baptism of Tommy & Stella Kuik

SONG: *When He Cometh*

Apostle's Creed

COMMIT

*Morning Offerings: 1) Ministries of Pleasant Street;
2) MS & HS Youth Group*

SONG: *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you

And also with you!

Missions Video

KidStreet Dismissal

[Children age 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed]

WORD

Morning Prayers

*Genesis 3: 1, 6-8, 13, 20; John 8: 31-39, 43, 47; Romans 6: 3-5 +
"Beggars, Chosen: Human Corruption"*

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

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: *Yet Not I But Through Christ*

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

