

### 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  
Bs-Eo — Elder Eric Wierenga & Deacon Karyn Schneider  
Ep-Hl — Elder Chuck McGrath & Deacon Mike O'Rourke  
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 Steve & Ruth Haringa as they are recovering from hurricane Milton which has left devastating damages to their new home in Florida. Happy Birthday to Nellie De Vries who turns 98 next Thursday. Today is International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church—*“Lord, You have warned us through your Son Jesus Christ that those who follow Him may be oppressed and abused because of their faith. We pray for all those who are experiencing this type of persecution. You are a protector and provider for all those who follow You. Remind those who are in danger that You are present with them. Please protect and uphold them by Your righteous hand.”*

### GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

**CADET CHRISTMAS DECORATION FUNDRAISER** — Our cadets are now taking orders for Christmas decorations (trees, wreaths, poinsettias and more). Most decorations will be conveniently delivered free of charge to houses in Northbridge and adjoining towns the morning of Saturday, December 7. Please place your order by Sunday, December 1. Contact one of our cadet boys or counselors. Order forms are placed in the mailboxes and fellowship area.

**FAITH PROMISE FOR MISSIONS** — Please remember to put the colored tear-off tag in the offering today or any Sunday through November as a faith pledge of how much God would have you give in 2025 for local and global missionaries our church supports.

### SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

**SECOND OFFERING** — Our second offering next week will be for the *Peace of Bread*. Thank you for your generosity!

### REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

**NAC THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS** — There will be "tags" to be picked up in the Fellowship Hall for families in Northbridge in need of some help this holiday season. Won't you help a family in our community in a very tangible way by purchasing groceries for a Thanksgiving meal? A suggestion sheet is available. All groceries must be received by Sunday, November 24, between 9-11am. Deacons will be distributing the groceries to families between 11:00am-12:00pm. Thank you!

**TEAM PSCRC** — Thank you to some generous donors, we managed to raise **\$2,497** for this year's CROP walk! 25% of the proceeds that this walk raises will benefit the NAC Food Pantry, John 21, and Peace of Bread. Thank you to all who donated and participated in the walk, we had a great turnout on Saturday!

**PEACE OF BREAD** — We need some servers for Wednesday, November 13 at the Presbyterian Church on Spring Street from 5:15pm - 6:30pm to serve warm meals to those in our community. Please contact Keith VandenAkker at 508.735.7764, if you are willing to serve. Thanks!

# WELCOME

**We're glad you joined us!**

508.234.5268 +

Office Hours: 8am–3pm Mon-Fri

November 3, 2024 + 9:30am



*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

Tonight 6:30p HS Youth Group: 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 Prayer Meeting: Prayer Room  
Th 7:30a Men's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall

## GATHER

*Welcome and Announcements*

*Call to Worship — from Psalm 46*

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the most high.

**God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.**

The nations rage, the kingdoms totter, he utters his voice, the earth melts.

**The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

Come, behold the works of the Lord, how he has brought desolations on the earth.

**He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.**

“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth!”

**The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

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

## RENEWAL

*Call to Confession*

**We confess, Lord God, our struggles to be faithful disciples.**

Entrusted with all your gifts, we become fearful once again of misusing them, missing the chance to be a blessing to others. We fail to see your Glory in the world, instead we focus on worldly treasures.

**We are not worthy, Lord.**

We put our trust in ourselves to find the right way instead of trusting your guidance. Called to be emptied for those who struggle in life, we fill ourselves once again, with scorn for the poor choices they make.

**Have mercy, Lord God, have mercy on us.**

Once again, open our eyes to your kingdom in our midst, so we might discover that your day of hope and grace has already come in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

*Silent Confession*

*Words of Assurance*

This is the good news: God intends for us to find life, to embrace hope, to receive forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

The end of our journey is not rejection and emptiness, but the fullness of grace and hope in our God.

**Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.**

## COMMIT

*Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street*



SONG: *Thy Will Be Done*

*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 6:9-15 +*

*“Praying for What We Need: Bread & Forgiveness”*

## SEND

*ECHO Dismissal - [students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]*

SONG: *Ancient of Days*

*Apostle's Creed*

*Benediction*

SONG: *By The Sea of Crystal*

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