

## LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

M Church Offices Closed  
6:30p Celebrate Recovery  
Sa **Happy New Year**

### MINISTRY STAFF — HOW CAN WE SERVE YOU?

Sr. Pastor: Rev. Matthew Burns / Care Ministries: Rev. Howard De Vries; Youth: Pastor Annika Bangma / Children: Kate Martinka; Office/Finance: Sadie Perkins/firstname@pscrc.org.

### SHEPHERDING PASTORATES — Alphabetical by last name:

**A-Bt** — Elder Jack Crawford & Deacon Ruth Bandstra  
**Bu-E** — Elder Thalia Towle & Deacon Kate Mogan  
**F-I** — Elder Dawn Lefrancois & Deacon Lauren McGrath  
**J-Mh** — Elder John Vriesema & Deacon Beth Bol  
**Mi-Sv** — Elder Mike Anema & Deacon Dexter Greene  
**Sw-Z** — Elder Tony Brookhouse & Deacon Connor Kuik

### CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Larry & Ruth Spalink, our Resonate Global Missionaries in Japan, along with Carol Berthelette with who sent out a Christmas Newsletter. We pray for all the potential the new year holds. May we be lovers of truth, may the fruits of the spirit be evident in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control—Amen.

### GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

This morning we are thrilled to have our children lead us in worship as they present their pageant, **“The Amazing Story Of Christmas”!** This pageant joyfully reminds us who and why we celebrate this season... the coming of our Messiah! Let us never forget, it's in Christ that we live.

WORSHIP SURVEY — Many Thanks to everyone who has completed the worship survey. Since many people have been busy preparing for the holidays or dealing with Covid issues, the Transition Team has decided to keep the survey open through December 28. Paper copies are available in the fellowship hall and can be returned to the mailbox of Barb VanderKlay. You can access the survey online via this link p. We encourage everyone to complete the survey including our high school and college students.

THE 125th — Anniversary Books are here! They include pictures and information about our church history, the many ministries and activities we have, and the 125th Anniversary celebration weekend. Go to your mailbox to get your copy. If an extra book is needed, stop by the table in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy!

DIVORCE CARE & GRIEF-SHARE — New groups will start Tuesday, January 11 at 6:30pm. See Pastor Howard for more information.

### SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

THANK YOU — The deacons would like to express our deep gratitude for our generous congregation, we helped bless 28 families together at Christmas with gifts and food cards for those within our community. What a great example of walking in faith by loving and serving others. Glory to God! — *The Deacons*

CHURCH GIVING — We are currently running deficit. The Council requests that members prayerfully consider their giving to the General Fund for this last Sunday of the year.

COFFEE SETUP — If you are willing to help make coffee before worship (instructions provided) please see Sadie. We have empty slots and would love to fill them! Thanks!

### REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

2022 JANUARY SERIES LECTURES — You are invited to the Calvin College January Series beginning January 10 and continuing weekdays through January 28 at Fairlawn Church. Each lecture will be shown via live feed from Calvin College, 12:30-1:30pm. Visit [www.calvin.edu/january](http://www.calvin.edu/january) for more details on the presenters, topics, the remote site locations, times, online listening, and past presentation archives.

THE FAIRWOODS ANNUAL — meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 31 at Fairlawn CRC, starting at 7pm. The Agenda and Budget for 2022 will be sent out to all Fairwoods members in early January. Voting at the annual meeting is open to Professing Members of PSCRC who have fully paid their Fairwoods membership dues for the 2021 season. We still encourage all church members to take part in this meeting even if you have not paid your membership dues.

## Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a–3p Mon-Fri  
December 26, 2021 + 9:30 am  
Welcome! We are so glad that you are here!



*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. If you're asking questions about faith and spirituality, join us in our formation opportunities and ministry events to learn more and meet others. Help us get to know you or let us know how we can pray for you by filling in the Communication Card in the fellowship hall and putting it in the offering basket—we'll be in touch.*

### WORSHIP — Celebrate What God Is Doing

*We would love to help your kids become devoted followers of Christ! Please visit the Children's Ministry check-in station in the fellowship hall to get a security tag so your children can join us downstairs. The nursery is open for infants through 3 year olds during the whole service. KidStreet Children's Church for age 4-2nd grade is dismissed to go with teachers right before the sermon. Please bring your security tag to pick up your children in the nursery or classroom C after the service. Echo for kids in 3rd-5th grade will meet in classroom B but will be dismissed to the fellowship hall at the end of the service.*

*We are excited to serve you!*

*The Lord be with you!*

*Prayer of Preparation*

*Be near us, Lord Jesus, we ask you to stay close by us forever and love us, we pray. Your name is Immanuel and that means God comes near.*

*Draw near to us too so that what we say and do in worship might prepare us to share your closeness with others. Amen.*

**GATHER**

*Welcome and Announcements*

*Call to Worship*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

All God's people – boys and girls, women and men:

**Come and worship!**

Shepherds, Magi, saints, and angels:

**Come and worship! Come and Worship!**

All who need Rescue, all who long for comfort:

**Come and worship, come and worship Christ, the newborn King!**

SONG: *Noel*

*John 1: 1-5, 14*

*Christmas Meditation*

**THE WORD DWELLS AMONG US**

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

*Morning Prayers*

*Morning Offerings: ) Pleasant Street Ministries;*

**“The Amazing Story of Christmas”**

Pt. I – Mary & Joseph

*Luke 2:1-5*

SONG: *O Holy Night*

Pt. II – The Animals

*Luke 2:6-7*

SONG: *What Child Is This*

Pt. III – Angels

*Luke 2:8-14*

SONG: *Hark The Herald Angels Sing*

Pt. IV – Shepherds

*Luke 2:15-20*

SONG: *Go Tell It On The Mountain*

Pt. V – Wise Men and Star

*Matthew 2:1-2*

SONG: *We Three Kings*

Pt. VI – Conclusion

SONG: *All Creation Sing*

**THE WORD IN BREAD & WINE**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

*Words of Institution*

*Tasting Grace*

**THE WORD GOES WITH US**

*Benediction*

Friends, the joy of the angels,

The eagerness of the shepherds,

The perseverance of the Magi,

The obedience of Joseph and Mary,

And the peace of Jesus Christ be yours this Christmas.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Son and Holy

Spirit be with you now and forever.

**Amen.**

SONG: *Emmanuel God with Us*