

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. Please pick your children up from nursery and KidStreet after the service, but students in Echo will be released to come to the fellowship hall.

- **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 WARMLY WELCOME — This morning Larry Spalink, who will preach the Word.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

MARK YOUR CALENDAR — *Next Sunday, February 26*, we will have a special congregational meeting right after the service. The agenda will include information on the new pastoral position, a 3 year financial plan on how we move forward to achieve this goal. We hope you join us in this very important conversation.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — Our deepest condolences to Wendy Groot and family in the recent passing of Wendy's father, Dr. Elliott Shull. Please also pray for all the school families traveling to and from vacation on their winter break next week. Give us peace and health. Teach us to be your church - helping our neighbors, caring for those in need, and being agents of peace in our community. Protect us and continue to take care of us, and lead us through your love, Jesus—Amen.

BIG THANK YOU — On behalf of our congregation at Pleasant Street, we extend our utmost appreciation and thanks to *Flo Jorritsma* for her dedication to our church family in her many years as funeral coordinator. We would also like to take this opportunity and welcome Elaine Spaak and Gordon Larrivee as our new funeral coordinators—Thank you for your gracious willingness to step into this role.

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

PRAYER SERVICE AT FAIRLAWN CRC — Plan on attending a prayer service with Larry and Ruth Spalink **today at 5:30pm**. There will be pizza and salad afterwards—*Please join us—Fairlawn Missions Team!*

COFFEE BREAK — will not meet this Tuesday, due to Northbridge school winter vacation. We will meet again next week. Hope to see you then, ladies!

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE — Join us next Wednesday, February 22 at 7pm with a joint service of reflection and worship at Fairlawn Church. This brief, contemplative service will help us enter the season of Lent together as a community.

PRAYER GROUP — will not meet this Wednesday, due to the joint Ash Wednesday Service at Fairlawn. We will meet again next week. Hope to see you then!

YOUNG ADULTS — Will attend a screening of **"Jesus Revolution"** next Saturday, February 25 at 6:10pm at the Regal Cinemas in Bellingham. The film is based on a true story, relating to a southern California spiritual awakening movement, that changed how the church viewed and then embraced its youth. Please consider joining our young adults and be part of the conversation. Sign-up at the connections corner! 🎬🍿

CONFRONTING CHRISTIANITY... SMALL GROUP — Both inside and outside the church, life-long worshippers, curious inquirers, and committed skeptics carry questions with them about Jesus. We'll be looking at *Dr. Rebecca McLaughlin's* book to help us explore them. Please sign up at the connections corner to receive a book in February. Read it during the month of March and we will plan to meet for 4 Wednesdays in April, 6:30-8:00pm—*Pastor Matthew!*

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

HELP NEEDED — Peace of Bread next Wednesday, February 22 PSCRC will be hosting for the first time ever! We will need several servers from 5:15-6:30pm, which will include serving meals and cleanup. Please reach out to Keith VandenAkker at 508.735.7764. Thank You!

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a-4p Mon-Fri

February 19, 2023 + 9:30am

"It's Not Me!"



PLEASANT STREET
CHRISTIAN REFORMED
CHURCH

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

- M Presidents Day - Church Offices Closed
- 9:30a Women's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall
- 6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
- T 6:30p Divorce Care: Fellowship Hall
- 6:30p Grief Share: Foundation
- W 7:00p Ash Wednesday Service: Fairlawn CRC
- Sa 6:10p Young Adults Movie Night: Regal Cinemas

Prayer of Preparation

God of life, as we prepare for worship today, help us to sense the power, beauty, and mission of your Spirit. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship—Psalm 96

Sing a new song to the Lord! Let the whole earth sing to the Lord!

Sing to the Lord; praise his name. Each day proclaim the good news that he saves.

Publish his glorious deeds among the nations. Tell everyone about the amazing things he does.

Great is the Lord! He is most worthy of praise! He is to be feared above all gods.

The gods of other nations are mere idols, but the Lord made the heavens!

Honor and majesty surround him; strength and beauty fill his sanctuary.

Give to the Lord the glory he deserves! Bring your offering and come into his courts.

Worship the Lord in all his holy splendor. Let all the earth tremble before him.

Tell all the nations, “*The Lord reigns!*” The world stands firm and cannot be shaken.

Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice!

Let the sea and everything in it shout his praise!

SONGS: All Creatures of Our God and King

King of Kings

RENEWAL

Prayer of Confession

Sovereign Lord, you have anointed us with your Spirit, yet we have not shared your great gift.

Create in us a clean heart, O God and renew a steadfast spirit within us.

We have not proclaimed your good news to the poor. We have not bound up the brokenhearted.

Create in us a clean heart, O God and renew a steadfast spirit within us.

We have not proclaimed your freedom to the captives. We have not comforted those who mourn.

Create in us a clean heart, O God and renew a steadfast spirit within us.

Forgive us for closing our eyes to the needs of others.

Forgive us for limiting your abundance.

Create in us a clean heart, O God and renew a steadfast spirit within us.

Open our minds, Lord. Open our hearts, Lord. Open our hands, Lord. Open our lips, Lord.

Give us a willing spirit to show your love to your world. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Encouragement

Hear these words of assurance from Ezekiel 36: The Lord says, “I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees. You will be my people, and I will be your God.” Friends in Christ: by the power of the Spirit, we are united with Christ and given a new spirit. Live in the joy and peace of that assurance.

Thanks be to God.

COMMIT

SONG: *Spirit of the Living God*

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street;



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

Ephesians 6:10-20 + “It’s Not Me!”

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God*

Morning Prayers

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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: *O Church Arise*

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

The candle in the front is lit as a symbol that Jesus Christ is present in our worship this morning.