#### 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 Tom Cooper & Deacon Mike O'Rourke Hm-Mc — Elder Mike Anema & Deacon Brian St. Denis Md-S — Elder Steve Stinson & 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.
- **FAMILY SUNDAY** All ages worship together when there is a 5th Sunday; there is no Nursery, KidStreet, or Echo.

**WE WARMLY WELCOME** — Josh Jiang, our missionary from China to preach the word this morning.

### CARE – COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

**LET'S PRAY TOGETHER** — For Brian Towle after his surgery last week—we pray for swift healing and recovery. Pray for Bev Ebbeling who is in the hospital with an infection—she will remain there until she is stable. Please pray for Josh and his family and that they have a full and encouraging week in New England. Also keep in your prayers Rev. Doug Bratt, the new Interim Pastor at Fairlawn Church, as they seek God's direction for their next pastor and future. *GROW* — *CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH* **PRAYER GROUP** — We'd love to have you join us on Wednesday nights for Prayer Time at 6:30pm downstairs to pray for Pleasant Street Church, the needs of the church and its people, our community, and nation—Please join us!

**FREE CONCERT** — The Grove City College Touring Choir will be touring the northeast during their spring break, and will be making a stop in our community on March 3. WCS Alum Dylan Anema sings in this choir and has helped make this concert possible. They will be performing **right here at church on Monday, March 3 at 7pm.** Please join us for an evening of beautiful choral music, with works by: Monteverdi, Mozart, Rutter, Mealor, and Moses Hogan.

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES OUR SECOND OFFERING — Today will be for the PSCRC Christian Education Fund. Thanks for supporting this wonderful ministry!

**REACH OUT** — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY **VOLUNTEERS & HELP NEEDED** — St. Patrick's are opening their doors to provide a safe space for those in need this winter. The shelter also needs help with laundry, to wash blankets and pillow cases used by the guests. Please contact bv.emergency.shelter@gmail or George Gannon at 508.341.4993, if you can help.

**THANK YOU** — To those of you who took time out of your busy schedules to cook, serve hot meals, and clean up on Wednesday at Peace of Bread. Your willingness to serve is appreciated!

# WELCOME

# We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 + Office Hours: 8am–3pm Mon-Fri February 23, 2025 + 9:30am *"Cinderella's Dream"* 



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

- M 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

Prayer of Preparation Bless the Lord, O my soul; all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul and forget not all his benefits. Amen.

Prelude

# GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship — from Luke 1:46-50 Our souls magnify the Lord! Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior! The mighty One has done great things for us! Holy is God's name! Let us worship God. For God is our Maker and our Redeemer, from generation-to-generation God gives mercy.

SONGS:

For the Beauty of the Earth — #432 Magnify the Lord — #632 O Come Let Us Adore Him/For He Alone is Worthy/ We'll Give Him All the Glory — #340

# RENEWAL

## Prayer of Confession

Lord, we have not kept watch for you. We have occupied ourselves with our own concerns. We have not waited to find your will for us. We have not noticed the needs of the people around us. We have not acknowledged the love that has been shown to us. Forgive us for our lack of watchfulness. Help us to wait to know your will. Help us to look out for the needs of others. Help us to work and watch for your coming. **Amen.** 

# Silent Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Jesus, the long-expected Savior, was born to set us free. He releases us from our fears and sins and helps us find our rest in him. Jesus delivers us from the way of sin and death. Yet he remains the desire of people in every nation, and he will direct us into the ways of his kingdom. And so, with hopeful hearts, we call to him.

Come now long-expected Jesus, come again to rule in our hearts. Amen.

# COMMIT

Morning Offerings: 1) Ministries of Pleasant Street; 2) Christian Education Fund

Moment for Missions

SONG: *Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah!* —#146

*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

Luke 1:46-55 + "Cinderella's Dream"

# TABLE

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Tasting Grace

SONG:

*Oh, the Deep Deep Love of Jesus — (see insert) Love Divine, All Loves Excelling — #568* 

# *Our World Belongs to God - stanzas 56 + 57*

We long for that day when our bodies are raised, the Lord wipes away our tears, and we dwell forever in the presence of God. We will take our place in the new creation, where there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, and the Lord will be our light. Come Lord Jesus, come. On that day we will see our Savior face to face, sacrificed Lamb and triumphant King, just and gracious. He will set all things right, judge evil, and condemn the wicked. We face that day without fear, for the Judge is our Savior, whose shed blood declares us righteous. We live confidently, anticipating his coming, offering him our daily lives– our acts of kindness, our loyalty, and our love–knowing that he will weave even our sins and sorrows into his sovereign purpose. Hallelujah! Come, Lord Jesus!

# SEND

Benediction

SONG: *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* — #501

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