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

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**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.

### COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

**TODAY** — 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 — For our delegates who will be attending the spring Classis (regional church) meeting next week in Ashford, CT. Pastor Matthew, Thalia Towle. Sue Cooper and Dexter Greene will be attending— pray for the Spirit's guiding as the leadership of the CRC churches in New England and upstate New York seek His will. Please also pray that we would not only give things up for Lent, but that we would give you glory through Lent, Lord. May our actions reflect our hearts, and may we worship you through all that we say and do throughout the weeks to come. Thanks for praying!

MANY THANKS — To everyone who participated in giving me the beautiful flowers, the meaningful card, all the hugs in the fellowship hall and words of support in my recent retirement as the funeral luncheon coordinator. I am thankful for my very caring church family—Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever Psalm 11:8-1—Flo Jorritsma

### **GROW** — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

### 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**

THANK YOU — On behalf of Peace of Bread, thanks for opening up your doors to allow us to serve our community on Ash Wednesday, to those who made it happen, and to those who served! This is what the NAC is all about, churches coming together to help each other and serve those in our community in the name of Christ!

WHITINSVILLE RETIREMENT CENTER — Is looking for a friendly part time employee to cook for our wonderful residents. We have flexible menus and encourage trying out new recipes. Experience is a plus but we will train the right candidate. If you love working with the elderly and this sounds like a good fit for you, please call Jeannine at 508.234.6381.

FREE SEMINAR AT FAIRLAWN — "The Seed of Addiction" Thursday, March 23 at 7pm. Counselor Brian Crockett from Milford will present, what tends to cause an addictive personality. This presentation will also provide a starting place for caregivers and suffering persons for their respective recovery journeys—We hope you join us!

# **WELCOME**

# We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a-4p Mon-Fri February 26, 2023 + 9:30am "Harm's Way: Sin Corrupts"



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

Today 8:30a HS Youth Group Breakfast:Foundation

- M 9:30a Women's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall
  - 6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
- T 9:30a Coffee Break: Fellowship Hall; Childcare
  - 6:30p Divorce Care: Fellowship Hall
  - 6:30p Grief Share: Foundation
- W 6:15p Midweek @ PS 🍑
  - 6:30p Prayer Group Meeting: Under the Balcony

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, Speak to us through your Word today, that we may hear you calling us out of the wilderness places in our lives and into new places you have promised to show us.

In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

### **GATHER**

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us worship God, who has done great things. We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world. Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

We are the people God has formed through Christ; We worship him, and we rejoice!

Let us worship God in spirit and truth.

SONGS: O Worship The King
At The Cross (Love Ran Red)

### **RENEWAL**

Prayer of Confession—Daniel 9:4-5

Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments.

We have sinned and done wrong. We have been wicked and have rebelled; we have turned away from your commands and laws.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Receive the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

COMMIT Sermon Notes

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street



SONG: Thank You Jesus For The Blood

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** 

Morning Prayers

Genesis 3: 1-15; Romans 1: 18-21, 5: 6-8 + "Harm's Way: Sin Corrupts"

**TABLE** 

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Tasting Grace

SONGS: Give Us Clean Hands All Who Are Thirsty

### 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: In Christ Alone

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.