

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 ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME BACK — This morning Pastor Mike Sullivan, who will preach the Word.

Holy Week Calendar

MAUNDY THURSDAY — April 6: Worship will be at 7pm with our brothers and sisters at Fairlawn CRC.

GOOD FRIDAY — April 7: Worship will be at 7pm in the sanctuary. The Lord's Supper will be served. Families are encouraged to worship together as nursery will not be provided.

EASTER SUNDAY — April 9: join us for morning worship at 9:30am as a family. Please spread the word to your family, colleagues, friends and invite them to worship with us!

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Minnie Wiersma as she is scheduled for hip surgery next Tuesday. Pray for the SICK, GRIEVING and LONELY. Happy Birthday to Winifred Nydam celebrating her birthday **tomorrow!** Best wishes to Mike Beinema who celebrates his **99th** birthday next Wednesday and our missionary, Karen Masso, as she celebrates her birthday on March 23—*May the Lord bless and keep you all!*

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

CHURCH BREAKFAST — Palm Sunday, April 2 at 8:30am: Join us before worship for an all church breakfast served to you by our high schoolers and leaders. Our high school youth group is very excited to host this event and cook a breakfast of eggs, pancakes, bacon, assorted sweets, juice and coffee for you all. Please see the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall.

OUR COUNCIL — Has established a Christian Education Assistance Fund to encourage and assist families in providing a Christian education for their children. Application forms are located by the entrances to the sanctuary. Please return the application you're pastorate deacon by April 16. Thanks!

CRC SOFTBALL OUTREACH MINISTRY — Men 16 years and older interested in fun, competition, and fellowship are invited to join the combined Pleasant Street and Fairlawn CRC team. Games are played most Monday evenings at 6pm from mid April through early August. For more information, contact Scott Schneider at SMSchneider68@hotmail.com or Jonathan Steele at jsteele1964@gmail.com.

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

NAC EASTER FOOD CARDS — Keith VandenAkker will be in the Fellowship Hall today. Please "adopt" one of 19 families in our community by taking a slip with a suggested donation amount, purchase a food card, and return on or before Palm Sunday, April 2. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

WCS WELCOMES — Dr. John Abbondanza, a specialist in vision therapy and vision-related learning problems, for an informative presentation regarding the critical link between vision and learning. Join us next Wednesday at 5:15pm. Admission is free and all interested parents, guardians, and educators are invited to attend. Please RSVP at whitinsvillechristian.org.

WHITINSVILLE RETIREMENT SOCIETY — Annual meeting will be held at Fairlawn church on Thursday, March 30 at 7:30pm. We're encouraging all church members and interested people to attend, even if you have not paid your dues. We're also seeking cooks for the Retirement Home. Please visit whitinsvilleretirement.com/jobs/ or call 508.234.6381.

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us!

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

March 19, 2023 + 9:30am

"Sin as Hoarding: Greed"



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

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| 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 | Adult Bible Study: Classroom E |
| | 6:30p | Membership Class: Under the Balcony |
| | 6:30p | Prayer Group Meeting: Offices |

Prayer of Preparation

Loving God, may we be found and may we find a place called home, a place where faith holds us and grace renews us, where forgiveness longs for us to be who you will us to be. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship—Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside quiet waters. He refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely you're goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

SONGS: *Here I Am To Worship*

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

RENEWAL

Call to Confession

Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you love us, but we have not loved you. You have opened your heart to us, and in our pride we have spurned your care. You have given us all things, and we have squandered your gifts. We have grieved you and caused hurt to others, and we are not worthy to be called your children.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and are sorry for all we have done to displease you.

Cleanse us from our sin and receive us again into your house.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. In Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God for his gift of redemption!

COMMIT

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street



SONG: *It Is Well With My Soul*

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

*Ecclesiastes 5:13, Matthew 6:19-21, James 5:3, 1 Timothy 6:6-7 +
“Sin as Hoarding: Greed”*

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: *Jesus Is Better*

SEND

Apostles Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

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: *Death Was Arrested*

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.