

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

M 6:15p CRC Softball Game: Away vs. Faith Baptist
6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
6:30p High School Study: Foundation
T 9:30a Coffee Break: Via Zoom
6:30p Divorce Care: Office in the Nursery
6:30p GriefShare: Fellowship Hall & Online
W 5:00p CR Women's Step Study: Office in the Nursery
7:00p Prayer meeting @ Becky VA's home
Th 7:00p CR Men's Step Study: Office in the Nursery

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; Worship: Becky VandenAkker; Office/Finance: Sadie Perkins/
firstname@pscr.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 Diana Burns as she is having abdominal surgery tomorrow—we pray to you, O Lord, that this procedure will be without complication, and that her recovery will be speedy and complete. Amen. Please also keep in your prayers our new members, as they attend the new members class this month. Pray for them as they learn more about our Reformed heritage and how that shapes our mission here at Pleasant Street.

THANK-YOU MIDWEEK VOLUNTEERS! — Our Council and Ministry Staff would like to thank all of our volunteers—GEMS and Cadet leaders, Youth Group mentors—all who helped make this past year's MidWeek ministry season a great success! Thank you for faithfully sharing your time, talents, and treasures in joy-filled and abundant ways—we appreciate each of you!

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

GRADUATIONS 2021 — We would like to recognize those in our church family who are graduating from high school or college. Please let Sadie know of the details of your family member's graduation. Please be sure to include the student's name, school, degree conferred, and plans for the future.

TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS — Just a friendly reminder, the completed Christian Education applications should be returned to Dexter Greene by next Saturday, May 15. Please contact Dexter at 508.234.9541 or email DexterGreene@netzero.net for any questions.

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

OUR SECOND OFFERING — Today will be for Resonate Global Missions. There is a separate donation box in the fellowship hall for this—*Thanks for supporting this great ministry!*

KIDSTREET VOLUNTEERS — We are working hard to return to our in person Sunday morning children's ministries, however, we need to rebuild our volunteer team before opening. Please consider using your gifts to help in the nursery or in children's church once a month during our Sunday morning service. We need a minimum of 20 adults to open, and we need teens too! Contact Kate Martinka at kate@pscr.org.

COFFEE START UP — We are pleased to announce that we will be serving coffee outside, starting next Sunday, May 16. If you are willing to help with this ministry, please see Sadie in the office.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

AHADI FAMILY — Kenya's 19th annual marathon fundraiser will take place on Saturday, May 22. In the past, our fundraiser has always centered around the Boston Marathon. Since it is postponed, we are having our own "Marathon". We encourage people of all ages to participate and consider a generous donation (or sponsor someone) and come to WCS 10am to Noon to walk or run for Ahadi on the track and/or the cross-country trail. Hot dogs, snacks and water will be provided. Some friends of Ahadi have agreed to match donations up to \$10,000, and other friends up to \$25,000! Contact Phyllis Masso at phyllismasso@gmail.com with questions. Our focus this year is reuniting boys to relatives, **"Family Joys for Ahadi Boys."**

Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a–3p Mon-Fri
May 9, 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 pew and putting it in the offering basket—we'll be in touch.

The Lord be with you!

Prayer of Preparation

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of the universe. In your wisdom you have made all creation to worship you. As we prepare for worship, we pray that you will quiet our hearts, that we may hear your voice in your Word. We pray that you will stir our hearts, that we may more faithfully follow Jesus, and that you will be glorified by the praise and prayers we offer you. May our worship today help us to offer our entire lives to you and unite us with your whole church throughout the world. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who with the Father and the Spirit is one God, blessed forever.
Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship—based on Psalm 91:2; Romans 10:9, 13

Let us worship God.

“He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust.”

Let us confess with our mouths, “Jesus is Lord,”

and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead.

“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Let us call upon our true God, believing him in our hearts, confessing him with our mouths, worshiping him in spirit and in truth.

SONGS: *Cornerstone*

The Church’s One Foundation

RENEWAL

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed to be an obedient church:

we have not done your will; [pause]

we have broken your law; [pause]

we have rebelled against your love; [pause]

we have not loved our neighbors; [pause]

we have not heard the cry of the needy. [pause]

Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent confession

(conclude with Hear our Prayer, O Lord)

Words of Assurance—based on 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24

Hear the good news:

This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,

that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

Confessing Our Faith: The Apostles’ Creed

SONG: *This I Believe (The Creed)*

Passing the Peace—Galatians 1:3-5

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the

Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to

rescue us from the present evil age, according to the

will of our God and Father, to whom be glory for ever

and ever. Amen.

And also with you!

WORD

Morning Prayers

Galatians 1: 1-10; 2: 11-14, 19-21 (page 942) +

“A Conflict, A Crisis, A First; no other gospel”

COMMIT

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts — The offering is a way for Christians to support the mission and ministry of the church. As a part of our worship, it is as an opportunity for the regular, proportionate and generous giving of the resources God has given us. We offer a sacrificial portion of our resources (time, talents, possessions) as an act of faith and gratitude in response to God’s grace.

SEND

Dismissal & Benediction

Go in the love of God who gave his son for our sins;

we go bearing Christ’s love to a hostile world.

Go in the power of God who rescued us from death;

we go to be Christ’s body in this broken world.

Go in the wisdom of God who saves us according to his will;

we go belonging to our Father.

Friends go in the grace and peace of God our father and the

Lord Jesus Christ in the power of God’s Spirit

to whom be glory for ever and ever! Amen.

SONG: *O Church, Arise (Arise, Shine)*

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

Sermon Notes