

Ministry Staff — How can we serve You?

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Shepherding Pastorates — Alphabetical by last name:

A-Br — Elder Sandy Wynja & Deacon Ruth Haringa
Bs-Eo — Elder Eric Wierenga & Deacon Karyn Schneider
Ep-Hl — Elder Chuck McGrath & Deacon Mike O'Rourke
Hm-Mc — Elder Sue Cooper & Deacon Tanya Anema
Md-S — Elder Dawn Lefrancois & 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.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — God is the one who gives us freedom. Let us ask that He would help our country turn toward Him, uniting all of us in the land of the free and home of the brave. Have a safe long weekend as we celebrate the birth of our nation—God bless America! ****Please note that our church office will be closed July 4-5 this week.****

MISSIONS — Pray for Steve and Sandy Frieswick who sent out a missions newsletter last week as well as John and Carol Berthelette who also sent out a June newsletter. Pray for Dave and Jan Kooistra, our Wycliff Bible translators who celebrate their wedding anniversary July 6.

ANNOUNCEMENTS — Please forward any announcements you may have this week to Sadie by Wednesday morning at the latest, as the bulletins will be printed that day—*Thank you!*

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

TODAY — Is our family worship service. We have always been a place that values a sense of family and the bringing together of generations. That's why several times a year our worship leaders are creating services intended to blend "kid-friendly" and "grownup-friendly" ways to worship God together.

CALENDAR — Please note there will be no Senior Coffee Fellowship this week, due to the holiday. We will reconvene Wednesday, July 10—*hope to see you then!*

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — Registration is open for the NAC Ecumenical VBS held at Pleasant Street on July 15-19, for ages 4-entering 5th grade. We are also looking for teen and adult volunteers. All information for Camp Firelight VBS can be found at NorthbridgeVBS.com.

PICNIC VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED — For our annual church picnic at Fairwoods on Sunday, August 11. Please see Shirley DeVries, our church picnic coordinator and share a little of your time—we need more and new volunteers!

NORTHBRIDGE FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS — May be placed in the basket available each Sunday at the main entrance.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

MAKING PANCAKES @ ST. PATS — In conversation with St. Pat's, the deacons are looking to pull together a team from Pleasant Street to cook, host, and serve breakfast on 6 Saturdays each year. Breakfast is hosted at St. Patricks. The food is provided. We are looking for people who can cook, serve, make conversation, set up tables/chairs, or clean dishes. This opportunity is open to students 16 and older, to families with children, and to adults. Interested? Want to know more? Join us on July 6 for a 'trial' opportunity to learn the ropes alongside our sisters & brothers across the parking lot. Please see Cathy Greene for more information and sign up.

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us!

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Office Hours: 8am–4pm Mon-Fri

June 30, 2024 + 9:30am

"Flourishing Are Those: The Poor in Spirit"



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 | 6:15p | Men's Softball Game: Away vs. Chapel of the Cross (Plains Field Park, 60 Cedar St. Milford) |
| | 6:30p | Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall |
| W | 6:30p | Prayer Group Meeting: Prayer Room |
| Th | | Happy 4th of July |

Prayer of preparation

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy." For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

GATHER — *Welcome and Announcements*

Call to Worship — from Psalm 15

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!*"

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

O Lord, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill?

He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart, who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend.

In whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the Lord, who swears to his own hurt and does not change, who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent.

He who does these things shall never be moved.

SONGS: *O Worship the King & Praise to the Lord*

RENEWAL

Call to Confession

For the times we have lied to one another and have been lied to.

Heal us, Jesus, Saviour of the world.

For the times we have laughed at another's pain, and the times we have been laughed at.

Heal us, Jesus, Saviour of the world.

For the times we have betrayed friendships.

Heal us, Jesus, Saviour of the world.

We sin against you Lord, we have not acted as your faithful followers.

Heal us, Jesus, Saviour of the world.

O God of heaven and earth, you emptied yourself of your power and became a helpless baby in order that you might heal this sick world.

Teach us to empty ourselves of the things that destroy us and keep us alone. Empty us of our jealousy, of our meanness, of our fear of others. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance — from Psalm 103:8-13

Hear the good news! The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him, as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

Thanks be to God!

COMMIT

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street

SONG: *Seek Ye First*

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

WORD

Morning Prayers

Matthew 5:1-3 + "Flourishing Are Those: The Poor in Spirit"

TABLE

Invitation to the Table

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Set your hope on God.

We trust him with our whole heart.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

This is the table of the Lord. He invites all who love him and trust in him alone for their salvation to sit with him and share in this joyful feast.

It is our joy to say thank you to God, for this meal and for saving us, today and always.

Why do we come to this table?

How is this meal different from all others?

Where did this meal come from?

What faith do we declare at this table? Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again!

SONG: *Behold the Lamb*

SEND

Apostle's Creed & Benediction

SONG: *Blessed Assurance*

