

### Ministry Staff — How can we serve You?

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### Shepherding Pastorates — Alphabetical by last name:

A-Br — Elder Sandy Wynja & Ruth Bandstra  
Bs-Eo — Elder Eric Wierenga & Deacon Karyn Schneider  
Ep-Hl — Elder Chuck McGrath & Deacon Jodie Woudenberg  
Hm-Mc — Elder Sue Cooper & Deacon Tanya Anema  
Md-S — Elder Dawn Lefrancois & Deacon Dexter Greene  
T-Z — Elder Tony Brookhouse & Deacon Mike O'Rourke

### PLEASANT ST. KIDS:

- **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.

### CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

**LET'S PRAY TOGETHER** — We pray for our recent graduates and that our Gracious God have his hands upon them as we send them forward. With their classes and grading now complete, may they strive toward excellence in all they do.

**SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND PROMISE** — Please join the Kuipers/Towle Family on Saturday, June 17, to remember and celebrate the life of Henny Kuipers. A graveside service will be held at 11:00 am at Riverdale Cemetery, Whitinsville for family and close friends (limited seating will be available). Everyone is invited to a luncheon, time of fellowship and sharing of memories to follow at 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall at Pleasant St.

### GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

**SENIOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP** — Will start up again next Wednesday, from 9:30-11:30am. Donuts and muffins will also be served. Invite your friends. Thank You to Calvin & Claudia Wieggers for leading this.

## OUR 2023 GRADUATES

*Congratulations and the Lord be with you!*

*"Don't be conformed to the patterns of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds so that you can figure out what God's will is — what is good and pleasing and mature." — (Romans 12:2)*

### High School Graduates:

Alli Anema — *Whitinsville Christian School*  
Future plans: Messiah University in Harrisburg, PA  
Studying Environmental Science

### College Graduates:

Gabe Brookhouse — *B.A. Accounting*  
*Texas Christian University*  
Future Plans: Calvin College; Masters in Accounting

Kate Martinka — *B.A. Education*  
*Framingham State College*  
Future Plans: Full-time sub position at WCS



### SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

**OUR SECOND OFFERING** — Next Sunday will be for Whitinsville Christian School.

### REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

**PRAISE OF WORSHIP** — All are invited to join with other churches and musicians in the Blackstone Valley for an evening of Praise and Worship to our God at Union Congregational Church, 86 Main Street, South Grafton, on Friday, June 9 at 7pm. Refreshments will follow.

**FAIRWOODS** — Invites you to a Breakfast Burrito Fundraiser on Saturday, June 10 from 7:30-9:30am. Invite your friends to enjoy a delicious breakfast and then go for a hike, or play on the beach. A full burrito is \$10, a smaller bowl is \$7 (free for kids under 5).

# WELCOME

## We're glad you joined us!

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

June 4, 2023 + 9:30am

*"I Am the Way, the Truth and the Life"*



*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 6:15p Men's Softball Game: Away vs. Bethany Community  
6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall  
T 6:30p Changes That Heal: Fellowship Hall  
W 9:30a Senior Coffee Fellowship: Fellowship Hall  
6:30p Prayer Meeting: Fellowship Hall

*Prayer of Preparation*

*God of life, as we prepare for worship today, help us not to take lightly the highly charged message we proclaim. Help us sense the power, beauty, and mission of your spirit. In Christ we pray, Amen.*

**GATHER**

*Welcome and Announcements*

*Call to Worship—Psalm 145*

The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

**The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.**

The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does.

**The Lord upholds all who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.**

My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

SONGS: *All Creatures of Our God And King*  
*10,000 Reasons*

**RENEWAL**

*Call of Confession*

You alone can count the times we have sinned in wandering from your ways. Like being lost with no map, How can we know the way?

**Jesus answers us, "I am the way."**

Gracious God, We lie to each other and ourselves.

We search out authenticity in a broken world instead of turning towards you.

**Jesus tells us, "I am the truth."**

We confess that we often just try to live a good life. We turn to ourselves for fulfillment.

**Jesus answers, "I am the life."**

Forgive us Lord, Help us to trust in you.

*Silent Confession*

*Words of Assurance*

If you repent and believe in God's redeeming mercy, your sins are forgiven. Trust in God's promises and follow Jesus.

Only through Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life.

**Thanks be to God!**

**COMMIT**

*Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street*



SONG: *Rock of Ages*

*Passing the Peace*

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

**Learning to Walk in the Way of Jesus: Presentation of Bibles to 3<sup>rd</sup> graders**

*Congregation, what is our prayer for these children?*

**This is the Word of the Lord. Learn its stories and study its words. It's stories belong to us all. They tell us who we are. They tell us that we are the people of God.**

We rejoice in this step in your journey with God. We pray that God will continue to guide you in learning about him through His Word.

**The Word of God is a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path.**

*Children: Thanks be to God.*

**Following Jesus in Life: Presentation of devotionals to graduates**

*Congregation, what is our prayer for these graduates?*

**Lord, bless these graduates and be with them so that they may bless others as they do the work to which you have called them.**

Surround them with your Spirit as they go forward with new eyes to see your work in their lives and the lives of all those they encounter.

**Help them to listen to your voice and respond to your great love.**

Help them to know that no matter where life leads them, you will be with them.

**Help us as a congregation to continue to support them with our actions and prayers. Amen.**

*Students: Thanks be to God!*

SONG: *God, Sing your Glorious Praise*

*KidStreet Dismissal*

*[Children age 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed]*

**WORD**

*Morning Prayers*

*John 14:1-14 + "I Am the Way, the Truth and the Life"*

*ECHO Dismissal*

*[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]*

SONG: *Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me*

**SEND**

*Apostles Creed*

*Benediction*

SONG: *In Christ Alone*

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