

## LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

M 6:15p CRC Softball Game: Away vs. United Methodist Church  
6:30p Celebrate Recovery  
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 Stories & S'mores: Fairwoods  
7:30p 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/  
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**Today** at Pleasant Street - "Promises that Ripple: a service of water, word & witness".

What do a stone, a smooth pebble and a water strider (a small insect) have in common? They all make ripples on the water. The difference is that their size determines how far the ripples go. If you toss a stone high enough, it will send ripples throughout a pond.

Of all the symbols that God might've chosen to describe his promises to us and our Christian identity he chose *water*; the waters of Baptism. In Baptism we picture God's promises to wash us of our sin, to mark us as his own in life and in death, and to equip us to be a people sent to the world full of good news. Those promises cover the entirety of our lives, but their impact upon us depends on seeing the great weight of what God has done for us. We want those promises to ripple out through every aspect of our lives, we want them to reverberate in the world around us.

Today, we welcome to Pleasant Street a group of new member families, we will honor the increasing capacities of 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students, and the achievements of graduates. And alongside these big and important things, we will welcome our newest and smallest member – Isobel Micucci - through her baptism. In the presence of God, in our worship, her small new life will reveal to us the immensity of God's promises to us.

## CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Henny Kuipers as she will be having treatment for her bladder cancer. Pray for Len Bangma, recovering from his gallbladder surgery. Keep Carol Hansen in your prayers who will be having day surgery next Wednesday. Pray for our New members as they embark on a new journey here at Pleasant Street.

SET THE DATE — For our annual church picnic, Sunday August 8.

## SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

OUR SECOND OFFERING — Next week will be for Whitinsville Christian School—a school that nurtures the academic, spiritual, personal, social, creative and physical development of students, in cooperation with their parents, for Christ-like service in God's world. Thank you for your support!

## GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

SERVE@HOME — Save the date! SERVE@Home is returning **August 4-8th!** Plan to join us for a long weekend of intergenerational worship and service! Registration, information, and more coming soon!

STORIES & S'MORES RETURNS! — All incoming and outgoing MS & HS students are invited to join us at Fairwoods for a campfire and testimonies on Wednesday evenings from 7-9pm on June 9, 16 & 23! We are excited to have the opportunity to gather outside under the stars and get to know one another and our great God better!

## SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

THE DEACONS — Are hoping you will take a few minutes to sign-up for our Helping Hands Program by filling out the surveymonkey link below or by filling out the sign-up sheet in your church mailbox. The Helping Hands Program helps those in our church family who may need a meal, a ride to an appointment or help with a small household task. Once you are on the Helping Hands list you may be called only a few times a year to help with the items you signed up for. Our hope is to have a large list of names so that it will lessen the load for everyone. This is truly a way that we can serve one another and show Christ's love. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DFS966F>

## Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a–3p Mon-Fri  
June 6, 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!*

## GATHER

*Call to Worship—based on Psalm 145:3-4, 10-11, 21*

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

**there is no end to his greatness.**

One generation shall praise your works to another

**and shall declare your power.**

All your works praise you, Lord,

**and your faithful servants bless you.**

They make known the glory of your kingdom

**and speak of your power.**

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:

**Let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.**

SONGS: *Lord, You Are Good*

*God, We Sing Your Glorious Praises*

## BAPTISM: WASHED, MARKED, CALLED BY GOD'S GRACE

*Washed: Baptism Means Cleansing*

Turning from sin to Christ:

Brothers and sisters, trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

**We do.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept Him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

**We do.**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciples, obeying His Word and showing His love?

**We will, God helping us.**

SONG: *Wash O God, Our Sons and Daughters*

*Marked: Baptism means Belonging — Baptism of Isobel Joy Micucci*

*Congregation, what do you promise?*

**We promise to accept Isobel as a member of God's household. We will love Isobel, pray for her, and nurture her faith in our covenant-keeping God. Amen.**

Brothers and Sisters, receive Isobel into Christ's church. I charge you to nurture and love her, and to teach her to be Christ's faithful disciple.

**We welcome her in love. We will pray for her parents. We will nurture Isobel in the faith, to the glory of God empowered by His Spirit. Amen.**

SONG: *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

*Called: Baptism means Calling — Receiving New Professing Members*

We respond:

**Thanks be to God!**

Profession of our Faith: The Apostles' Creed

## PROMISES THAT RIPPLE

*Growing Up Marked: Presentation of Bibles to 3rd 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!*

*Sensing God's Call: 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: *Take My Life*

Passing the Peace

*The peace of Christ be with you.*

**And also with you!**

## WORD

*Morning Prayers*

*I John 4:7-13, 16a, 19, 21 + "The Most Distinctive Mark"*

## TABLE

*The Invitation*

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.

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

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**Why do we come to this table?**

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**How is this meal different from all others?**

The Institution

**Where did this meal come from?**

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**What faith do we declare at this table?**

**Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again!**

Tasting Grace

Thanksgiving

For your amazing sacrifice that has made us lean and forgiven and free,

**We thank you, Jesus.**

For this bread and wine that help us remember your amazing love for us,

**We thank you, Jesus.**

For making us part of your body, the church,

**We thank you, Jesus.**

For blessing us so that we can bless others in the world,

**We thank you, Jesus. AMEN.**

## SEND

*Benediction—from 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24*

May the God who makes everything holy and whole, make you holy and whole, put you together— spirit, soul, and body— and keep you fit for the coming of our Master, Jesus Christ. The one who called you is completely dependable. If he said it, he will do it! **Amen.**

SONG: *We Will Remember*

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