

Ministry Staff — How can we serve You?

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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 WARMLY WELCOME — This morning Pastor Bill Vis who will preach the word.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Debbie Vandenakker who will be having hip surgery next Thursday, July 20. Please also pray for all of our VBS participants—kiddos (65) from 8 different churches, volunteers (45) from 15 different churches as well as the unchurched. A big thanks to everyone who worked tirelessly for the welfare of this years VBS. Great things were done in God's name! Your efforts have not gone unnoticed.

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

SAVE THE DATE — For our annual church picnic, Sunday August 13.

COFFEE BREAK — Fairlawn has invited us to meet with them at Fairwoods to study *"Women Who Found a Way"*, Thursday, August 10 from 9:30-11am. Bring your lunch!

MISSIONS EVENT — Breakfast with Steve & Sandy Frieswick whom we have supported for many years through Faith Promise (Africa Inland Mission International). Our missions team along with Fairlawn missions team will provide a brunch on Saturday, August 5 from 10:00-11:30am. Please see the sign up sheet in the connections corner, if you plan to attend—*The Missions Team!*

PRAYER GROUP — We'd love to have you join us on Wednesday nights for Prayer Time at 6:30pm downstairs to pray for Pleasant Street Church, the needs of the church and its people, our community, and nation—Please join us!

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

CALLING ALL — Middle schoolers and High schoolers! Join us for a Youth Worship night on Wednesday, July 26 at 7pm. If you would like to be on the worship team that night, please email Steve Martinka at Steve@psrc.org.

MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS — We have a growing number of m/s youth in our congregation which is such a blessing! However, with growth in numbers of students, we need growth in numbers of volunteers. Please consider volunteering for our m/s youth group at mid-week, starting in September! Contact Sue Cooper at suejcoop@gmail.com or Pastor Matthew.

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC & WORSHIP — will be held at Fairwoods on Sunday, August 13. We will be serving coffee at 9:30am and the worship service will begin at 10am. Everyone is invited and requested to bring a salad, side dish or munchies. Hamburgers, brats, rolls, beverages, and dessert will be provided. Volunteers are needed for various aspects—please contact Shirley De Vries at 508.320.1018 or ShirlDV2@gmail.com. Thanks for your help!

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

A NIGHT OF MUSIC & 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 Saturday, July 22 at 7pm. Refreshments will follow. See Pastor Howard for more information.

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 +

Summer office hours: 8am–3pm Mon-Fri

July 16, 2023 + 9:30am

"If Only I Improved the World"



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

M 6:00p Men's Softball Game: Away vs. Faith Baptist
6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
W 9:30a Senior Coffee Fellowship: Fellowship Hall
6:30p Prayer Meeting: Prayer Room

Prayer of preparation

Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ, that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship — from Psalm 25

Come, lift up your hearts to the Lord!

To You, O Lord, we lift up our hearts!

In You we trust! Do not let us be put to shame. Our God is full of compassionate love. He brings sinners back to His way, and teaches the humble the way they should go. **Show us the right path, O Lord; point out the way for us to follow.**

Lead us by Your truth, and teach us, for You are the God who saves.

We put our hope in You!

SONGS: *This is Our God*

Your Grace is Enough

RENEWAL

Call to Confession

To you, Lord, we confess our sin. Too often we have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will and have rebelled against your love.

We confess to you, O God, that we often stumble in our walk with you.

You say Everyone should be quick to listen and slow to speak, and yet we often hurt people with our words

Open our hearts to a desire to follow Jesus in full obedience to your will and your ways.

Guide us in your truth and teach us, for you are God our Savior, and our hope is in you all day long.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news! The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

Through Jesus, your sin is forgiven.

Amen.

COMMIT

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street



SONG: *Gratitude*

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

Deuteronomy 34:1-12 + "If Only I Improved the World"

SEND

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: *Blessed Assurance*

Apostle's Creed

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: *God so Loved*

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

[Sermon Notes](#)