

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

M 6:15p CRC Softball Game: Away vs. Medway Franklin Churches
6:30p Celebrate Recovery
W 5:00p CR Women's Step Study: Office in the Nursery
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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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

WE WARMLY WELCOME — back this morning, Pastor Justin Ruddy and his wife Sarah who minister The Resurrection CRC in the neighborhood of East Boston. Welcome Justin and Sarah!

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Mary Youngsma who suffers from hyperparathyroidism and will be going in for surgery on August 9 at St. Vincents—please also pray as she navigates life with an autoimmune disease. We Pray for our church family and for the body of Christ in our community and around the world. Keep in your prayers the GEMS Leaders including our own, Ruth Gibbons and Erin Meagher that they be inspired and uplifted while attending the Gems Conference to be held online, July 23.

CELEBRATION — There will be a memorial service for Jim Nydam, to be held at Fairwoods on Saturday, August 7 at 10:30am. Please join us as we celebrate the life of our father, grandfather and great grandfather. We hope you can join us—
Ruth Bandstra & The Nydam Family

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

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES
PICNIC VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED — for various aspects— please see Shirley De Vries, our church picnic coordinator and share a little of your time—we need more and new volunteers!

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

SERVE@HOME — is returning **August 4-8th!** Plan to join us for a long weekend of intergenerational worship and service!

-Would you consider joining us as we SERVE? We need YOU to participate to accomplish all that God has laid before us! Registration is due Sunday, July 25th! Make change and be changed through investing yourself in the full SERVE@Home experience! (Register online or via the paper registration forms available on the SERVE board.)

-Cannot participate in the full SERVE weekend? Join us for worship in the evenings, or for one of the work days! (Worship is open to all every evening, to sign up for a single work day, please email Pastor Annika).

-Would you like to contribute in some other way? See the SERVE board in the fellowship hall!

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES
KIDSTREET VOLUNTEERS — Thanks to all the volunteers and families that kept our children's ministry thriving throughout our challenging time of not being able to meet together. Thanks also to those who have helped us get our children's ministry up and running again on Sunday mornings. If you would like to join us in this important work of serving the kids, please let me know. We would love a few more volunteers to join this exciting ministry! Thank you—*Kate Martinka, Director of Children's Ministries*

NORTHBRIDGE FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS — May be placed in the baskets at the main and back entrances. Thanks

Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a–3p Mon-Fri
July 18, 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 fellowship hall and putting it in the offering basket—we'll be in touch.

WORSHIP — Celebrate What God Is Doing

We would love to help your kids become devoted followers of Christ! Please visit the Children's Ministry check-in station in the fellowship hall to get a security tag so your children can join us downstairs. The nursery is open for infants through 3 year olds during the whole service. KidStreet Children's Church for age 4-2nd grade is dismissed to go with teachers right before the sermon. Please bring your security tag to pick up your children in the nursery or classroom C after the service. Echo for kids in 3rd-5th grade will meet in classroom B but will be dismissed to the fellowship hall at the end of the service.

We are excited to serve you!

The Lord be with you!

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

we dwell in him and he in us.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him,

and speak of all his marvelous works.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,

who was and is and is to come.

SONGS: *Holy is the Lord*

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts

RENEWAL

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, who sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith, we confess that we resist the force of your Spirit among us, that we are slow to serve you and reluctant to spread the good news of your love. God, have mercy on us. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent confession

Words of Encouragement

Hear these words of assurance from Ezekiel 36:24-28:

I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees. You will be my people, and I will be your God.” Friends in Christ: by the power of the Spirit, we are united with Christ and given a new spirit. Live in the joy and peace of that assurance.

Thanks be to God!

SONG: *Spirit of the Living God*

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

Acts 8:26-39 + “Spirit, Lead”

COMMIT

ECHO Dismissal

[Students grades 3 through 5 are dismissed]

Morning Offering — Ministries of Pleasant Street

SONG: *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God*

SEND

Dismissal & Benediction

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; help the suffering; honor all; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you forever.

Amen.

SONG: *Build Your Kingdom Here*

[Sermon Notes](#)