

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 — 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.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Ahleen Ebbeling who fell last Tuesday, playing golf. She is currently in Heywood Hospital in Gardner and will be transferred to CareOne nursing home in Millbury, to await surgery.

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

PLEASE JOIN US — For our annual church picnic, Sunday August 13.

THE CRC MEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM — With thanks to God, PSCRC, our fans and players we have had a terrific 2023 season of outreach ministry! We do have our final game tomorrow at Redeemer Church— Hope you can join us!

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 next Saturday from 10:00-11:30am. Please see the sign up sheet in the connections corner, if you plan to attend—*The Missions Team!*

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!

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

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.

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.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES — The deacons are collecting school supplies for kids in our community. Backpacks, pens, pencils, erasers, pocket folders, crayons, highlighters, scissors, glue, binders, etc.!! Our goal is to fill at least 10 backpacks. Leave donations in the designated box in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays, or stop by during the week. Deadline is August 21. Thank you for your generosity!

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 +

Summer office hours: 8am–3pm Mon-Fri

July 30, 2023 + 9:30am

“The Hero and the Path to Joy”



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 6:00p Men's Softball Game: Away vs. Redeemer Church
6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
W 9:30a Senior Coffee Fellowship: Fellowship Hall
6:30p Prayer Meeting: Prayer Room
Sa 10:00a Faith Promise Brunch

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

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name.

Make known among the nations what he has done.

Sing to him, sing praise to him.

Tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name.

Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.

SONG: *Grace Alone*

Apostle's Creed

SONG: *Death was Arrested*

RENEWAL

Call to Confession

Let us confess to God, for he is good, and his mercy endures forever.

I confess before God Almighty, that I have sinned in my words and actions.

Through unbelief and distrust in God.

Lord, have mercy.

Through weakness of love toward my fellow servants.

Christ, have mercy.

Only God knows the guilt we hold in our hearts, Be gracious to us, Lord.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

This is the trustworthy and precious word; that Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

This, I believe. Lord, help my unbelief and save me.

May God be gracious and merciful to us all.

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 Message

WORD

Morning Prayers

*Philippians 2:5-11, 19-21, 25-30 +
"The Hero and the Path to Joy"*

TABLE

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Tasting Grace

SEND

SONGS: *As the Deer*

Thank You Jesus for the Blood

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: *All the People said Amen*

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

[Sermon Notes](#)