

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-HI — 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.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

MARK YOUR CALENDAR — Council calls the congregation to a special meeting after worship on Sunday, August 27. Members will be asked to vote on extending a call to Blake Philips, the Associate Pastor of Spiritual Formation candidate.

WE WARMLY WELCOME TODAY — Blake Philips and his wife Melissa with their 2 children, Sophia & Judah. Please wear your name tags and say hello.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

FAREWELL — We pray for Johnny Vriesema as he leaves for Seattle this weekend. We thank the Lord, for these new beginnings for Johnny and we trust that God will watch over him as he steps into a new job, home and life. 🥰

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For our college students as they prepare to leave for college. Please pray for our ministry groups and that we have everyone we need to staff our ministries this fall. Pray that we see the world the way Christ sees it, share our faith, invite people to church, and pray faithfully for people. Our missionary Scott Larson celebrates his birthday *today!*

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

MINISTRY GROUPS — We will be highlighting various ministry groups within our church. We encourage you to chat with them after the worship service to learn more information and get involved! Next week's highlight is Youth Ministries. This will also be a good time to fill in registration forms for each of your children for all of the programs they will be involved in!

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

SECOND OFFERINGS — Next Sunday will be to support the work of Bethany Christian Services.

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS — If there are church members you believe should be considered for either office, please forward names and offices to Brett Buma, President of Council at brett.buma@amd.com Offices of elder and deacon are open to both men and women.

MIDDLE SCHOOL 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.

NEED HELP — It's that time of year again. We are planning for the upcoming GEMS year and are looking for a few young women, moms, or just simply young at heart. Please contact Sandy Kuipers at douglashilltop@yahoo.com or Ruth Gibbons via text at 508.320.0476, if interested in assisting in any way this year.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES — The deacons are collecting school supplies for kids in our community. Backpacks. Please leave donations in the designated box in the Fellowship Hall. Deadline is August 21. Thank you for your generosity!

WELCOME

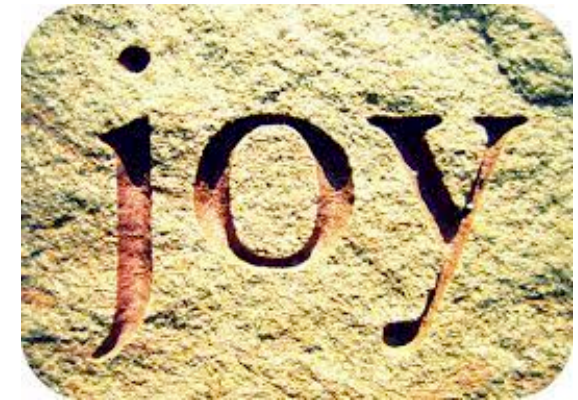
We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 +

Summer office hours: 8am–3pm Mon-Fri

August 13, 2023 + 10:00am

"Like Stars"



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 6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
W 9:30a Senior Coffee Fellowship: Fellowship Hall
6:30p Prayer Meeting: Prayer Room

Prayer of preparation

O Almighty God, you pour out your spirit of grace and of supplication on all who desire it. Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from cold hearts and wandering minds, that with steady thoughts and kindled passion we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

SONG: *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Call to Worship — Psalm 8

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory in the heavens.

Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?

You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor. You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet: all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SONGS: *O Church Arise, Rejoice In All Your Works*

RENEWAL

Call to Confession

Lord God, who is mighty, you who keep covenant and show mercy to those who love you, we have sinned, we have not obeyed your commandments.

Forgive us.

When we fear that humbling ourselves, would be seen by others as weakness, or some kind of defect in our character.

Forgive us.

When we have betrayed your love for us through our lack of love for you, for others, and for ourselves.

Forgive us.

We argue and complain.

Forgive us.

Lord Jesus Christ, fix your mind in us; and remake us in your likeness; empty us of all that hinders us from following you.

Gracious and loving God empower us with the Holy Spirit so that our lives continually glorify you and our tongues forever confess Jesus as Lord. This we pray in Jesus' name.

Amen

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance — from Isaiah 55

“Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.

Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts. Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.”

This is the good news! Through Jesus Christ you are forgiven

SONG: *It Is Well with My Soul*

COMMIT

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street



Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

KidStreet Message & Dismissal

[Children age 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed]

People of God, what is our prayer?

Lord, continue to show us your Wonderful, Never Stopping, Never Giving up, Unbreaking, Always, and Forever love. Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you!

Go in peace to love and serve Jesus!

Thanks be to God!

WORD

Philippians 2:12-18 + “Like Stars”

SEND

SONG: *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Benediction

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