

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. Please pick your children up from nursery and KidStreet after the service, but students in Echo will be released to come to the fellowship hall.

- **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 15 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 — Our deepest condolences to Ron DeVries in the passing of his sister, Sharon Van Dam in Michigan — *The Lord be with you!* 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. Blessings to Don & Doris Koopman celebrating 61 years of marriage next Friday, August 26. 🥰

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

SECOND OFFERINGS — Today 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.

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

MEMBERSHIP CLASSES — will be held Sundays, August 28, September 11 & 18 from 11:30am-2:00pm, for those interested in knowing more about our Reformed heritage and how that shapes our mission here at Pleasant Street. Those seeking to transfer membership from another CRC or church with a Reformed background are encouraged to attend. We would love for you to join us—lunch is provided! Contact the office if you are interested.

MINISTRY GROUPS — Many small group and ministry opportunities are being offered to adults and youth this fall for anyone to be an attendee, a helper, or a leader! After worship, look in the connections corner in the fellowship hall. We have displayed some sign-up sheets. There will be more small group opportunities, so keep checking out the corner. 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.

WOMEN OF PLEASANT STREET — Studying the Bible with others is an important part of growing in our Christian life. Join us for *Coffee Break*, an informal community Bible study on Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11am, beginning September 6. We will start with a *Meet & Greet* and the following week we will begin studying *Revelation: "God Speaks to the Church"*. Childcare is provided. The coffee is hot, and the fellowship is sweet! Call Anna Bloem at 508.234.4902 for more details.

'PRAYING THE PSALMS' — Ladies, you are invited to a new small group. We will meet every other Saturday morning, beginning on September 10, from 9:30am – 11:00am. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, tea, and morning glory muffins. The group will be led by Diana Burns and we will have 7 sessions in total. If you are interested, please contact Sadie in the office or see the sign up sheet in the fellowship hall.

THIS FALL — We are trying some new discipleship and learning opportunities as a congregation. We will be hosting a lecture about issues that our faith speaks to and which affect our whole community. On Saturday, October 1 at 9am, we will welcome Suzanne McDonald, professor of Systematic Theology at Western Seminary. She will be leading a seminar called: "*Dealing Faithfully with Dementia.*" Refreshments will be served—please join us!

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a-4p Mon-Fri

August 21, 2022 + 9:30am

Proverbs: 25:2; Psalm: 111:9; Jeremiah: 33:18-22 +

"The Glory of Redemption Revealed:

He Has Guaranteed to Set Us Free"



PLEASANT STREET
CHRISTIAN REFORMED
CHURCH

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 6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
- T 5:00p Women's CR Step Study: Classroom E
- W 7:00p Prayer Meeting: Fellowship Hall
- Th 9:30a Senior Coffee & Donuts: Fellowship Hall
- 7:00p Men's CR Step Study: Classroom E

Prayer of Preparation

O God, you pour out the Spirit of grace and love. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and truth. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

We give thanks and praise you, Lord of all creation!

SONGS: *Raise a Hallelujah*

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

RENEWAL

Prayer of Confession

God of love and justice, we long for the peace within that only you can give us.

We long for harmony in our families, for serenity in the midst of struggles.

We confess that we are often anxious, and we do not put our trust in you.

We are careless with our words and often hurt the ones that are around us.

Father, look upon us with grace and kindness, rule in our homes and in all the world.

Show us how to walk in your path and deliver us from our sinful ways.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Generous God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, you have shown us what it means to love. And you call us to follow Your example—to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. To all who humbly seek the mercy of God I say, in Jesus Christ your sin is forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

COMMIT

*Morning Offerings: 1) Ministries of Pleasant Street;
2) Bethany Christian Services*



SONG: *It Is Well*

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

Proverbs: 25:2; Psalm: 111:9; Jeremiah: 33:18-22 + “The Glory of Redemption Revealed: He Has Guaranteed to Set Us Free”

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: *In Christ Alone*

SEND

Lord's Prayer:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

Benediction

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption

SONG: *No Longer Slaves*

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

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