

Ministry Staff — How can we serve You?

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Shepherding Pastorates — Alphabetical by last name:

A-Br — Elder Sandy Wynja
Bs-Eo — Elder Eric Wierenga & Deacon Karyn Schneider
Ep-Hl — Elder Chuck McGrath & Deacon Mike O'Rourke
Hm-Mc — Elder Sue Cooper & Deacon Tanya Anema
Md-S — Elder Dawn Lefrancois & Deacon Cathy Greene
T-Y — Elder John Woudenberg & Deacon Jodie Woudenberg

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 Jodie Woudenberg's parents and brother in NJ, as they are all in the midst of health complications and treatments. Please pray for John and Jodie who are traveling to visit them this weekend.

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! Today's highlight is Children's Ministries.

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

CHURCH PICNIC — Join us at Fairwoods next Sunday for a great time of worship followed by a delicious meal! The drinks, main dishes and dessert will be provided. **Please bring a salad or appetizer to share.**

MISSIONS EVENT — Breakfast with David & Janice Kooistra, whom we have supported for many years through Faith Promise. Our missions team will provide a brunch on Saturday, August 31 from 10:00-11:30am. Please see the sign up sheet in the Connections Corner, if you plan to attend.—*The Missions Team!*

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. We are in need of 4 elders and 3 deacons.

GEMS — Our mission is to help bring young girls grades one through five into a living and dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ. We meet two Wednesdays per month, September through May, 6:15-8pm. If you are a woman, mom or just simply young at heart, please call or text Sandy Kuipers at 508.864.8047.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

The KIDS' BIKE RODEO — Will be held in Fairlawn CRC's parking lot on Saturday, August 17, from 10am-noon. Kids through 5th grade need to bring their own bikes and helmets, and should be accompanied by a responsible adult. It includes: safety lessons, bike tune-ups, fast and slow races, obstacle course, and lunch. No registration necessary.

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 18.

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us!

508.234.5268 +

Office Hours: 8am–4pm Mon-Fri

August 4, 2024 + 9:30am

"Flourishing Are: The Merciful"



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

*Prayer of preparation — from Lamentations 3:22-23
The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never
come to an end; they are new every morning, great is your
faithfulness.*

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship — from Romans 11:33-36

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor? Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

To him be glory forever. Amen.

SONGS: *Jesus Messiah & Your Grace is Enough*

RENEWAL

Call of Confession

Loving God, you call us to be the salt of the earth, but too often we consider your ways to be bland, and we miss out on a life filled with flavor and goodness.

Forgive us, Lord, and help us to be more like Jesus.

You call us to be the light of the world, but too often our actions don't bring praise to you. We make choices to blend in with the crowd than stand out as your people.

Forgive us, Lord, and help us to be more like Jesus.

You call us to settle matters quickly, but we hold grudges, and settle the score on our own terms.

Forgive us, Lord, and help us to be more like Jesus.

We think of ourselves first, missing opportunities to love our neighbors.

Forgive us, Lord, and help us to be more like Jesus.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news! If you repent and believe in God's redeeming mercy, your sins are forgiven. For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption and forgiveness of sins. Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMIT

Morning Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street



SONG: *The Fathers House*

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

Matthew 5:1-7 + "Flourishing Are: The Merciful"

SEND

ECHO Dismissal [Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: *His Mercy is More*

Apostle's Creed

Benediction

SONG: *Victory in Jesus*

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

Sermon Notes