

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

M 6:15p CRC Softball Game: Home vs. Chapel of the Cross
6:30p Celebrate Recovery
W 5:00p CR Women's Step Study: Office in the Nursery
7:00p Stories & S'mores: Fairwoods
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/
firstname@pscrc.org.

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

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For SERVE@HOME preparations and participants, as we anticipate the opportunity to again bless our community. Pray for our College graduates, looking for work. Prayer for those on vacation that they may be refreshed and return home safely. Keep in your prayers our missionary, John Berthelette, as his mother's health is declining. Pray for comfort, peace and wisdom as they make decisions. Happy Belated Birthday to Ellie Van Houten who celebrated her 90th Birthday last Thursday—*God's richest blessings to you!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS — Please forward any announcements you may have this summer to Sadie by Wednesday afternoon at the latest, as the bulletins will be printed on Thursday—*Thank you!*

INVITATION — The family of Grace Nyenhuis would like to invite you to an informal Celebration of Life to be held on Saturday, June 26, on the front lawn of her home at 87 Thurston Ave, Whitinsville. Please feel free to come by anytime between 1-4pm to share your memories and to help us celebrate her life—We hope to see you there!

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

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

KIDSTREET VOLUNTEERS — As we resume Nursery and Children's Church during our Sunday morning services we would love for you to consider volunteering once a month caring for and teaching our kids. We need 5 more adults, and would love more teens as well! Contact Kate Martinka at kate@pscrc.org.

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

SERVE@HOME — Save the date! SERVE@Home is returning **August 4-8th!** Plan to join us for a long weekend of intergenerational worship and service! Registration, information, and more coming soon!

STORIES & S'MORES: LAST ONE — All incoming and outgoing MS & HS students are invited to join us at Fairwoods for a campfire and testimonies on Wednesday evenings from 7-9pm. We are excited to have the opportunity to gather outside under the stars and get to know one another and our great God better!

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

The 125th Anniversary Celebration — of the church will take place on October 2 & 3. This will include a banquet on Saturday night with a catered, sit-down dinner and a special worship service on Sunday. Several former pastors and their wives plan to join us as we celebrate God's faithfulness. A commemorative anniversary book is also being put together.

The Anniversary Committee is looking for a few volunteers to help with the planning. This includes.....

- * 2 people to work with the caterer and coordinate the menu, table settings, and decorations.
- * 2 people to help plan the program for the banquet.
- * 1-2 people to assist with gathering and selecting photos to be used in the anniversary book.
- * Several people to take photos at church events and activities.

If you want to volunteer for one of these positions or would like more information, please contact Chris Epplert at cjepplert@gmail.com.

Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a-3p Mon-Fri

June 20, 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!

GATHER — *Welcome and Announcements*

Call to Worship —based on *Philippians 4:4-5*

Rejoice in the Lord always. I **will say it again: Rejoice!**

Let your gentleness be evident to all. **The Lord is near.**

We rejoice in the hope we have in Christ! **Let us worship God!**

SONG: *Living Hope*

RENEWAL

Prayer of Confession

Consider and answer me, O Lord my God; lighten my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death; lest my enemy say, “I have prevailed over him” –lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

We come to you O Lord, seeking answers to our questions.

We come to you O God, because you are the Creator.

But I have trusted your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

We come looking for a song to sing; We wait for your voice to call us from beyond our fear.

Silent confession

SONG: *I Will Wait For You (Psalm 130)*

Words of Assurance

O LORD, how long will you forget me? Forever? How long will you look the other way?

The LORD is my shepherd. I have everything I need. He lets me rest in green meadows; he leads me beside peaceful streams.

How long must I struggle with anguish in my soul, with sorrow in my heart every day?

He restores my soul. He guides me along paths of righteousness for the sake of his good name.

How long will my enemy have the upper hand? Turn and answer me, O LORD my God! Restore the sight to my eyes, or I will die.

Even when I walk through the dark valley of death, I will not be afraid for you are close beside me. Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me

Don't let my enemies gloat, saying, “We have defeated him!”

Don't let them rejoice at my downfall.

You prepare a feast for me right in front of my enemies. You welcome me as a guest, anointing my head with oil. My cup overflows with blessings.

But I trust in your unfailing love. I will rejoice because you have rescued me. I will sing to the LORD because he has been so good to me.

Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life and I will live in the house of the LORD forever.

SONG: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

KidStreet Dismissal

One: People of God, what is our prayer?

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

People: The Lord be with you.

KidStreet: And also with you!

One: Go in peace to love and serve Jesus!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

[Children age 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed]

WORD

Morning Prayers

Psalm 13 + “Disorientation: Prayer for when God says Nothing”

COMMIT

ECHO Dismissal

One: People of God, what is our prayer?

All: Almighty and loving God, thank you for the gift of your Word.

Help us to believe what we have heard, plant it deep in our hearts, and live in ways that honor you above all.

Amen.

One: Go in peace to love and serve Jesus.

All: Thanks be to God!

[Kids grades 3 through 5 are dismissed]

Morning Offering — *Ministries of Pleasant Street*

SONG: *Do It Again*

SEND

Benediction

SONG: *The Blessing*

Dismissal

Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon Quotes and Questions

“...believers ask questions because we trust that God is the one who answers. Psalms show us that we don't have to ask our questions from outside the faith or sequester them in a basement corner. Psalmists don't treat questions like expensive china to be used only on rare occasions. They pray their questions at every turn...questions may make us sound like skeptics, but in fact they show the depth of our trust. We question God without shyness. We accost God when his attention seems to be lacking. We complain about God to God.” —Kevin Adams, *150: Finding your story in the Psalms*, 97.

Beneath the Arms

What does it mean to trust God? Is it quiet, calm, reposed? When you think of the ideal person who trusts in God, who do you imagine them to be? Psalm 13 suggests that it can be an act of trust to question God (with impunity!). How might that challenge your image of trust?

How might it expand your understanding of trust?

You are Here

Psalms give us direction and names for parts of our spiritual life.

A big part of our spiritual life (and significant part of the psalms) are experiences of disorientation: “God, I thought life was like this, but now I don't know which end is up. Where are you?”

When was a time you were disoriented in your life?

At the time, did that seem like it had anything to do with God? If so, what did you say? If not, what do you wish that you would've said?

Can you talk to God about that now?

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