

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

Today 4:30 Sunday Night Bible Study @ Don and Judy's; I Samuel 14-15
M 9:30a Women's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall
2:00p Open Door: Foundation
6:30p Celebrate Recovery
T 9:30a Coffee Break: Fellowship Hall; Childcare
2:00p Open Door: Foundation
6:30p Divorce Care: Howard's Office
6:30p Divorce Care for Kids: Gems Room
6:30p GriefShare: Room 6
6:30p Free Tech Support: Foundation
7:00p Elder Meeting: Council Room
W 5:30p Midweek @ PS
6:30p Celebrate Recovery Step Study: Howard's Office
Th 6:30a Men's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall
2:00p Open Door: Foundation
4:00p HS & MS Bible Basis: Foundation

MINISTRY STAFF — HOW CAN WE SERVE YOU?

Care Ministries: Rev. Howard DeVries; Youth: Annika Bangma;
Children: Kate Martinka; Worship: Becky VandenAkker; Office/
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SHEPHERDING PASTORATES — Alphabetical by last name:

A-Bt — Elder Jack Crawford & Deacon Leona van der Meer
Bu-E — Elder Steve Haringa & Deacon John Hendrikse
F-I — Elder Steve Stinson & Deacon Alicia Wierenga
J-Mh — Elder John Vriesema & Deacon Michelle Graves
Mi-Sv — Elder Mike Anema & Deacon Sue Cooper
Sw-Z — Elder Mark & Deacon Lillian Hackathorn

WE WARMLY WELCOME — This morning Pastor Ron Vanderwell who will preach the word.

FROM COUNCIL — A congregational meeting is scheduled for next Sunday, Feb 17, immediately after the worship service, to approve a motion from council to call Rev. Ron Vanderwell for a period of 1 year as an interim pastor. Please plan to attend.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY! — for Jared and Diane Williams and their family, in the sudden death of Jared's brother, Dwayne. Keep in your prayers, Kathy Buurma who recently had knee replacement surgery. Continue to pray for our church as we seek God's direction for our next pastor and our future. Pray for our Wycliffe Bible Translators, John & Carol Berthelette who sent out a newsletter.

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

LAST CHANCE: 2019 CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE — Please use the red pens to update and checkmark your information (including college students!) on the tables in the fellowship hall. Regular attendees, we'd love to have your information updated as well. Thanks for your help!

THANKS — to all who participated in our SOUPERBOWL Potluck last Sunday (with a special shout-out to Robin for the amazing decorations and desserts)! We had so much fun, that we've decided to do it again next month with a different theme. Channel your inner Irish and join us on March 3. More details to follow!

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

CADETS — A second offering will be received today in support of the Calvinist Cadet Corps. The Fairlawn and Pleasant Street churches support a shared scouting club of the Calvinist Cadet Corp, an independent youth organization in the Reformed tradition. Our club meets Wednesday evenings during Midweek for boys in grades 1 through 6; this season we have about 25 boys from multiple churches attending Cadets. The goal of cadets is to help boys grow more Christlike in all areas of life.

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

WCS — Christian recording artist Jonas Woods will present a special concert at Whitinsville Christian School next Friday, February 15 in the Nehemiah Center for Arts & Worship at 7pm. This family-friendly show is a great opportunity to bring your family, friends, and neighbors to an awesome evening of music! Tickets are \$10 general admission and are available at whitinsvillechristian.org.

ENROLLMENT — is now open at Stepping Stone Preschool for the 2019-2020 school year. We offer part-time or full-day 3-year old and 4-year old programs, along with aftercare if needed. Stepping Stone provides an atmosphere that encourages social, emotional, physical, and intellectual growth and development of the child in a calm, fun, relaxed atmosphere of Christian nurturing. Classes in music, art, physical education, and library are also offered. The preschool is part of WCS. For more information or to arrange a tour, please call 508.372.3246 or visit whitinsvillechristian.org/stepping-stone-home.

psrc.org + 508.234.5268 + Office: 8a-3p Mon-Fri

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Welcome! We're so glad that you're here. If you've been worshipping with us for a long time or you're entering the doors of a church for the first time, it is our hope that you'll 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 pew and putting it in the offering basket—we'll be in touch. The Lord be with you!

WORSHIP — Celebrate What God Is Doing

We would love to assist in helping your kids become devoted followers of Christ! Visit the KidStreet check-in station in the foyer to get a security tag so your children can join us downstairs. If you arrive after the worship service has started and need help checking in, assistance is available at the nursery. The nursery is open for infants through 3 year olds. We are downstairs ready to serve you! Our KidStreet Class for PreK-2nd grade is dismissed to go with teachers right before the sermon. Please bring your security tag to pick up your children after the service. We are excited to serve you!

Prayer of Preparation

As we prepare for worship, O God, we pray that you will quiet our hearts, that we may hear your voice in your Word. We pray that you will stir our hearts, that we may more faithfully follow Jesus, and that you will be glorified by the praise and prayers we offer you. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome & Announcements

SONG: *Come Away from Rush and Hurry*

Call to Worship

God calls us to worship, **and we come**, some with laughter and songs of joy.

God calls us to worship, **and we come**, some from a sense of obligation or habit.

God calls us to worship, **and we come**, some with hearts heavy with grief.

God calls us to worship, **and we come**, some with distraction or exhaustion.

God calls us to worship, **and we come**, some with eagerness and enthusiasm.

God calls us to worship, **and we come**, some with stress, loneliness, or depression.

As God's dearly loved children, we bring all our joy and pain, hurt and hope

into this place of Spirit-given grace, love, and hope.

SONGS: : *Lord Most High + Nobody Loves Me Like You*

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, our hearts are heavy with the violence of our world, so much suffering through the ages, wars and holocausts, genocide and abuse.

We cry on behalf of our violent world:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

O Lord, you love and care for us as a parent; you came to share life with us as a brother. But we confess we have failed to live as your children and instead have broken many bonds.

We cry on behalf of our violent world:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

O Lord, you have called us to live together in community, to consider one another as brother and sister, regardless of ethnicity, economic status, or popularity. Yet we prejudge one another, refuse to love one another, and victimize one another. We cry on behalf of our violent world:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

O Lord, giver of all life, you fearfully and wonderfully made us and breathed into our nostrils the breath of life. Yet we endanger the lives of one another, abuse the lives of young children among us, destroy those who are defenseless, and oppress those who are powerless.

We cry on behalf of our violent world:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

Silent Confession

Lord, have mercy. Pardon us through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Words of Encouragement – 2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

This is the good news.

Thanks be to God!

SONG: *This is Amazing Grace*

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

KIDSTREET Dismissal — Children Pre-K to 2nd Grade

WORD

Morning Prayers

Hebrews 12:1-3 (p 975) + “What to Do?”

COMMIT

ECHO Dismissal — Children 3rd through 5th grade

Offerings: 1) Pleasant Street Ministries; 2) Cadets

SONG: *If You But Trust in God to Guide You*

SEND

Benediction

May our Lord Jesus Christ, the one who came with grace and truth, also fill your hearts with grace and truth, as you serve him in the days ahead. And may the joy of the Lord—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—be your strength.

Amen.

SONG: *Be Thou My Vision*

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God!

SERMON NOTES