

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

M 6:30p Celebrate Recovery via Zoom
T 6:30p Divorce Care: Howard's Office
W 5:30p Celebrate Recovery Women's Step Study
7:30p MS & HSYG Stories & S'mores: Fairwoods
Th 7:00p Celebrate Recovery Men's Step Study: Offices

MINISTRY STAFF — HOW CAN WE SERVE YOU?

Interim Pastor: Ron Vanderwell; Care Ministries: Pastor Howard DeVries; Youth: Pastor Annika Bangma; Children: Kate Martinka; Worship: Becky VandenAkker; Office/Finance: Sadie Perkins/
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WE WARMLY WELCOME — This morning Pastor Tra'Vorus Weaver, from Emmaus City Church, who will preach the Word.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Jared Williams and family, as they navigate through this difficult journey. Please keep in your prayers John De Vries (Becky VandenAkker's dad) who is still recovering from inflammation on the brain. We praise God that after steroids he has shown great improvement. We pray for the Hall family, as they have moved back to PA and are settling into their new home.

WE PRAY — throughout the duration of the COVID-19 outbreak. Prepare, but don't panic. **Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus—** **Philippians 4:6-7.** This passage reminds us that, in every situation, our prayers ground us in God's peace. We step forward with faith: God is with us as we seek protection and discern how best to love our neighbors. We pray for a spirit of discernment, for wisdom, and patience. We pray for researchers and medical professionals; for the planners; for the ill and recovering; for those grieving and struggling with the weightiness of these times. We pray for the watchers and wonderers, and all those who wait upon the Lord.

GROW — Cultivate Your Faith

Socially Distance Stories & S'mores — Stories & S'mores returns! All incoming and outgoing MS & HS students are invited to join us at Fairwoods for a campfire and testimonies on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9pm on June 24 and July 1, 8 & 15. Strict social distancing guidelines will be followed, including required masks for all involved. MS & HS families please check your email for guidelines and more information. We are excited to have the opportunity to gather outside under the stars and get to know one another and our great God better!

KIDSTREET — Our children's ministry is still going strong! Email Kate Martinka, Director of Children's Ministry at kate@pscrc.org to sign up for weekly mailings and videos with Bible stories, songs, crafts, and more! We have something for infants through 3 years old, 4 years old through 2nd grade, and 3rd through 5th grade. We are excited to have you join us!

DIVORCE CARE FOR KIDS — Is looking for an individual who would be willing to help Kate Martinka support this ministry which is held every Tuesday, 6:30-8pm, starting in September. Please call Howard, if you can help.

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

OUR SECOND OFFERING — last Sunday was for Whitinsville Christian School—a school that nurtures the academic, spiritual, personal, social, creative and physical development of students, in cooperation with their parents, for Christ-like service in God's world. Thank you for your support!

Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a-3p Mon-Fri
June 21, 2020 + 9:30 am



PLEASANT STREET
CHRISTIAN REFORMED
CHURCH

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!

Prayer of Preparation

Eternal God, you have called us to be members of one body. Join us with those who in all times and places have praised your name, that, with one heart and mind, we may show the unity of your church, and bring honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us acknowledge the company in which we meet:

the church on earth and in heaven;

the faithful who worshiped here before us;

the hundreds of thousands of every place and language who, on the Lord's day, seek to set their lives within the atmosphere of renewing grace.

As we think of them, let us take deliberate encouragement from our unity with them all.

SONG: *All Are Welcome*

Renewal

Call to Confession

God of all nations, we praise you that in Christ the barriers that have separated humanity are torn down. Yet we confess our slowness to open our hearts and minds to people of other lands, tongues, and races.

Forgive us, O God.

Deliver us from the sins of fear and prejudice, that we may move toward the day when all are truly one in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silent confession

SONG: *Heal Our Land*

Words of Assurance — based on 1 Peter 2:9-10

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Affirmation of our Faith (from the Belhar Confession)

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, **the communion of saints called from the entire human family.**

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers **who have been reconciled with God and with one another.**

We believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways:

in that we love one another;

that we experience, practice, and pursue community with one another;

that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another;

that we share one faith, have one calling,

are of one soul and one mind;

have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one Lord,

work for one cause, and share one hope.

That together we come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ;

together are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity;

together know and bear one another's burdens,

thereby fulfilling the law of Christ that we need one another and upbuild one another, admonishing and comforting one another;

that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; pray together; together serve God in this world;

and together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity. Amen!

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WORD

Morning Prayers

John 4:7-30 + "Race and Grace"

COMMIT

Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street

SONG: *We Are Called*

SEND

Benediction

May our Lord Jesus Christ, who prayed that we would be one, even as he and the Father are one, so grace you with his Spirit that you may grow in grace and fellowship and discover joy in walking together as part of Christ's body— so that the world may know of God's love for us in Christ.

Amen.

Postlude: *The Blessing*