LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

- M 6:00p Men's Softball Game: Away vs Anglican Church of the Redeemer
 - 6:30p Celebrate Recovery
- 7:00p Executive Meeting
- T 7:00p Council Meeting
- W 5:30p Celebrate Recovery Step Study: Howard's Office
- Th 9:30a Senior Coffee Fellowship: Fellowship Hall
- Sa 5:00p SERVE Begins!

MINISTRY STAFF — How can we serve You?

Interim Pastor: Rev. Ron Vanderwell; Care Ministries: Rev. Howard DeVries; Youth: 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 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 Norman Brown who will lead us in worship.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY! — For safe arrival of our SERVE students and leaders as they begin to travel our way—arriving this Saturday. "Lord, we pray that you would give them great enthusiasm for their mission, our community and our Church as we together serve the Blackstone Valley in Jesus' name."

SPECIAL COLLECTION — Please keep Erin Howden and family in your prayers, as she was in a terrible accident this past week and will have a long, hard, challenging road to a hopeful recovery. At the request of members of our church family, the deacons will collect donations to go to the Howden family. This money will be given to Andrew to help while Erin recovers from her injuries. Please use the white multi-purpose envelopes in the pews and mark them "HOWDEN".

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

YOUNG ADULTS — If you are a high school student, college student, or in your 20's, the Transition Team wants to hear your thoughts and ideas on the mission, goals, and ministries of our church. Three sessions have been planned:

High School Students — Tuesday, July 9, 6-8pm in the Foundation. Join us for pizza and discussion.

College Students — Monday, July 22, 7:30pm, West End Creamery. We'll buy the ice cream; you provide input.

Twenty-somethings — Thursday, July 11, 7pm, The Grille on Maine, 306 Main St, Douglas. We'll pay for dinner; you share your thoughts and ideas. Please contact a member of the Transition Team if you have any questions.

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

WHITINSVILLE SERVE — This coming week, July 13-20: The Host Team still has ways for you to get involved and participate in this incredible week! Worksite Leaders, Sunday morning breakfast hosts and more are all still needed! Please see the white board in the fellowship hall, or talk to any member of the host team for how you can serve! Interested in worshiping with the team? Join us throughout the week for evening session to hear Pastor Mike Sullivan bring the word!

VIRGINIA SERVE — July 27-August 3: We are so excited to be sending a team of 11 students and 3 leaders to SERVE in Abingdon, Virginia, this summer!

SECOND OFFERING—Our second offering next week will be for the NAC Food Pantry. Thank you for your generosity!

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

VBS NEEDS YOU! — "To Mars and Beyond" will help kids discover the wonders of God's universe from July 22 to 26, exploring where God's power can take them. We still need volunteers for: music (teach kids lyrics and motions), snack, acting out Bible stories, leading groups of kids to stations, audio/video, check in/out, security, making the set, decorating, and walking kids to the community center for swim. Children of volunteers, age 3 and under, are welcome in our nursery for childcare. Contact Kate to help! kate@pscrc.org. Register kids or sign up to volunteer at tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/NAC/

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JULY 7, 2019 + 9:30 am



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! Please 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

O God, you come to us not in the chaos of the whirlwind, not in the roar of the earthquake, not in the crackling heat of the fire, but in the sound of sheer silence. Quiet our minds, bring peace to our hearts and stillness to our bodies that we might meet you in that silence. Give us the courage to go wherever you lead us, trusting that you will prepare the way. We pray this in the name of our Companion on the journey, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship—based on I Kings 19

Why are you here?

We are passionate for God.

Why are you here?

We cannot bear the sorrow and violence of the world.

Why are you here?

We are hungry; we are tired; we are scared.

God says: I am glad you are here. Watch. Listen.

We hear the howling wind. We feel the earth shake. We shrink back from the blazing fire.

Watch. Listen.

We hear a sound. Thin. Silent.

This ground is holy. Take off your shoes. Cover your face.

Watch and listen for the Holy One. This is why we are here.

SONGS: Be Still for the Presence

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Nobody Loves Me

Prayer of Confession

Lord of the ages, in our busy lives, we do not always make time to love, to pray, or to sing your praises. We want to be strong, yet we often feel out of control, buffeted by the winds of change, rocked by the earthquakes in our relationships, burned by the fires of doubt. Save us, O God, from our aimless

wandering, from our self-induced chaos. Help us to listen for your still, small voice, to trust your presence, even when we feel utterly alone. With the promise of Christ as our hope, lead us from our own wilderness wanderings into the well-tended garden of your love. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Encouragement

Hear the good news of God's love for us: Not in the earthquake, not in the storms, not in the mighty deeds but in the silence, in the gentle touch, in the quiet rain God says, again, "You are my Beloved. I love you."

Thanks be to God!

SONG: You Are Mine

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

KIDSTREET Dismissal

WORD

Morning Prayers

I Kings 19:1-18 (p285) & Luke 8:26-39 (p840) + "The Sound of Silence"

COMMIT

ECHO Dismissal

Offerings: Ministries of Pleasant Street Church

SONG: It is Well

SEND

Benediction—Hebrews 13: 20-21 & "Celtic Daily Prayer"

May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to Him, thru Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever He may send you, May He guide you through the wilderness protect you through the storm. May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you, May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

SONG: Lift High the Cross

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