

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

- M 6:15p CRC Softball: Home vs. Living Hope Ministries (scrimmage)
6:30p Celebrate Recovery
- W 5:00p CR Women's Step Study: Office in the Nursery
6:30p SERVE@HOME Worship: Sanctuary
- Th 6:30p SERVE@HOME Worship: Sanctuary
7:00p CR Men's Step Study: Office in the Nursery
- F 6:30p SERVE@HOME Worship: Sanctuary
- Sa 6:30p SERVE@HOME Worship: Sanctuary
- Su 9:30a Coffee Fellowship: Fairwoods
10:00a Morning Worship: Fairwoods
11:30a Annual Church Picnic: Fairwoods
1:30p Boat Races: Fairwoods

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.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Mark Hackathorn who will be having heart ablation surgery on August 6. Please Continue to pray for Henny Kuipers as she is receiving radiation treatments. Pray for those who are recovering from illnesses or surgeries, those who are shut-in, and for our church. We pray for our Cadets, as they head out to their annual camp out at Camp Haven this coming weekend.

SERVE@HOME — Is this week! Pray for our host team and participants as they seek to be God's hands and feet this week in the Blackstone Valley. The congregation is invited to join us for our evening worship starting at 6:30pm on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday.

CELEBRATION — There will be a memorial service for Jim Nydam, to be held at Fairwoods next Saturday, August 7 at 10:30am. Please join us as we celebrate the life of our father, grandfather and great grandfather. We hope you can join us—*Ruth Bandstra & The Nydam Family*

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES
ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC & WORSHIP — will be held at Fairwoods next Sunday, August 8. We will be serving coffee at 9:30am, the worship service will begin at 10am and lunch will be served at 11:30am. Everyone is invited and requested to bring a salad, chips or munchies. Hamburgers, brats, rolls, beverages, and dessert will be provided. Volunteers are needed for various aspects—please see the sign-up sheets in the fellowship hall. *Thanks You!*

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SECOND OFFERINGS — Our second offering for August and September will be for our 125th Anniversary Banquet. (Though the one for August will be received on August 15). We are hoping to off-set some expenses with this collection. Thanks for helping us to celebrate yet another milestone at Pleasant Street Church.

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS — If there are church members you believe should be considered for either office, please forward names and offices to Jack Crawford, Clerk of Council at john.h.crawford@verizon.net. Offices of elder and deacon are open to both men and women.

KIDSTREET VOLUNTEERS — **Thanks** to all the volunteers and families that kept our children's ministry thriving throughout our challenging time of not being able to meet together. Thanks also to those who have helped us get our children's ministry up and running again on Sunday mornings. If you would like to join us in this important work of serving the kids, please let me know. We would love a few more volunteers to join this exciting ministry! Thank you—*Kate Martinka, Director of Children's Ministries*

REACH OUT — CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY
The KIDS' BIKE RODEO — Will be held in Fairlawn CRC's parking lot on Saturday, August 7, from 10am-noon. Invite your friends for a fun time and light lunch! Kids through 5th grade need to bring their own bikes and helmets, and should be accompanied by a responsible adult. No need to register ahead of time, but if you have questions call 508.234.2838 x200.

Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a–3p Mon-Fri
August 1, 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!

Prayer of Preparation

You are the Sovereign One, O God, and rightly to be praised. Your name shall ever be upon our lips. You have heard the poor and saved them from trouble. You have enlightened believers; their faces reflect your radiance. Aglow with the splendor of your promised redemption, we gather to worship you, ruler of nations. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship—1 Chronicles 29:10-13

Praise be to you, Lord, the God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor,

for everything in heaven and earth is yours.

Yours, Lord, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.

Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things.

In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.

Now, our God, we give you thanks,

and praise your glorious name.

SONGS: Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)
How Great is Our God

Prayer of Confession

Wondrous God, who sets suns and moons above us, mountains and valleys beneath us, and friends and strangers among us: how often have we tried to hide from your presence, how seldom have we looked for your creating face and your fashioning hand!

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Wondrous God, who took upon yourself flesh of our flesh in Jesus our brother, and being found in human form made the ultimate disclosure of yourself in the

face of Jesus Christ:

how often we have forgotten you, how seldom have we really loved and followed you!

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Wondrous God, who pours out freely the Holy Spirit:

how often have we ignored your promptings, how seldom have we asked for your help or accepted your gifts!

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

Amen.

Silent confession

Words of Assurance

Psalm 103:8-13

The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us. The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us. Be assured that God is with us even now, accepting, guiding, and forgiving.

Thanks be to God.

SONG: *I Will Wait for You*

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

Psalm 146 (p 509) + “Praising the One Worth Trusting”

COMMIT

ECHO Dismissal

[Students in grades 3-5 are dismissed]

SONG: *Arise, O Church, Arise*

Morning Offerings for the Ministries of Pleasant Street Church

SEND

Dismissal & Benediction

SONG: *Build Your Kingdom Here*

Quotes and Questions:

The psalms teach us that, “the expectation of [the scriptures]... is not finally *obedience*, but *adoration*.” Walter Brueggemann, *The message of the Psalms*, 167.

What about God brings your heart joy? Is there a promise you savor? Is there a name of God that is precious to you? What would it look like in your life to delight in God today?

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