

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

Today 8:30a HS Youth Group Breakfast: Foundation

M 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: Room 5

6:30p GriefShare: Room E

W 5:30p Midweek @ PS

5:30p Celebrate Recovery Step Study: Offices

Th 6:30a Men's Bible Study: Fellowship Hall

9:30a Senior Coffee Fellowship: Fellowship Hall

2:00p Open Door: Foundation

MINISTRY STAFF — HOW CAN WE SERVE YOU?

Interim Pastor: Ron Vanderwell; Care Ministries: Pastor: Howard DeVries; Youth: Annika Bangma; Children: Kate Martinka; Worship: Becky VandenAkker; Office/Finance: Sadie Perkins/
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CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY TOGETHER — For Annika as she seeks to be ordained as a commissioned pastor in the Christian Reformed Church. Her examination interview will be at our next Classis meeting on Oct. 2-3. Please also keep in your prayers our college students as they are settling into the rhythms of a new school year.

MEMBERS OF CHURCH — are cordially invited to attend an open house to celebrate the 90th birthday of Arthur Hoogendyk, born in 1929. It will be held on Saturday, September 28 from 2-4pm in the sun room at the Whitinsville Retirement Home at 10 Chestnut Street. Please come to wish him a happy birthday and enjoy light refreshments.

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

WHAT'S YOUR SUPERPOWER? — During our worship service today, you'll have the opportunity to complete a brief inventory of your gifts. If you desire, a more in-depth survey will be available after worship.

KIDS CLUB — a faith formation group for children in Kindergarten or younger, that meets on our Mid-Week dates, is looking for you help. If you would like to volunteer or sign your child(ren) up, please contact Kate at kate@pscrc.org.

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS — At our congregational meeting in December, we'll be selecting new elders and deacons. Please forward names and offices to Jack Crawford, at john.h.crawford@verizon.net by **September 29**.

Congregational Meeting - Sunday, Oct 6: All members are invited to a Congregational Meeting immediately after the worship service regarding our Strategic Plan, update from the Transition Team and the Building Restoration Team. The congregation will be asked to ratify a decision made by council recently to start Phase I of the Building Restoration work. More details to follow.

PEACE of BREAD — and the Deacons offer a big THANK YOU to all who volunteered their time and talents on Wednesday, September 18, preparing and serving a meal to approximately 120 people, in addition to 50 takeout meals. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated!

GROW — Cultivate Your Faith

MIDWEEK NEWS — We are excited to offer some new Mid Week Adult Education Programs! Please visit the table in the fellowship hall to find out more details and to sign up for one or more opportunities to learn and grow together. Dinner for Mid-Week is served from 5:30-6:15pm. Classes and groups start right after dinner and end at 8pm. Bring your friends and join us this coming Wednesday.

REACH OUT — Connect with our Community

CROP WALK — will be Saturday October 19 with registration starting 8:30am at Trinity Episcopal Church. Walk begins at 9am with a 3 mile walk to Uxbridge Community House where there will be variety of refreshments offered. Understandably most of you will not have the time or ability to participate, but the goal is to not only RAISE AWARENESS about World Hunger, but to also RAISE FUNDS to help our hungry brothers and sisters near and far. Won't you please contribute? There will be a table in the Fellowship Hall for donations, and to get more information.

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SEPTEMBER 22, 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 of all creation, you alone are God. And you alone can satisfy our longing for a support that earth cannot give and that heaven will not take away. Let the oneness of our worship make us one in love and service. Amen.

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

The God of creation makes us one in body!

Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord!

The God of Christ makes us one in the Spirit!

Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord!

SONG: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

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. Amen.

Silent confession

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, through Jesus Christ our Lord, and strengthen us to live in the power of the Holy Spirit all our days. **Amen.**

Words of Encouragement—based on Ezekiel 36:24-28

“I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees. You will be my people, and I will be your God.”
Friends in Christ: by the power of the Spirit, we are united with Christ and given a new spirit. We can live in the joy and peace of that assurance.

Thanks be to God!!

SONG: *Holy Spirit*

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

KIDSTREET Dismissal

WORD

Morning Prayers

Corinthians 12:12-31 (p931) + “Superpowers”

COMMIT

ECHO Dismissal

Morning Offerings (Ministries of PSCRC/ “Superpowers”)

SONG: *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

SEND

Benediction

May the Holy Spirit fall upon you, encompass you, and support you. May the Holy Spirit transform you, lead you, and equip you. May the Holy Spirit give you encouragement, strength, and comfort to serve and worship our triune God both now and forever. **Amen.**

SONG: *Take My Life*

Dismissal

Lord, your love has brought us here.

By your love send us forth.

May your love be active in us as we wake or sleep, work or rest, serve or wait.

Draw us by the needs of others into the way, the truth, and the life we see in Christ.

We follow in faith.

Amen.

Sermon Notes