

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

M 6:30p Celebrate Recovery: Fellowship Hall
W 5:30p Celebrate Recovery Women's Step Study: Offices
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 Kaitlyn Givens who will preach the Word.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — will be held via Zoom on Monday, August 24 at 7:00pm to discuss the motion recommended by council to extend a call to Matthew Burns to be the Sr. Pastor of Pleasant Street Church. In addition, the voting process will be explained. Please refer to the e-mail that was sent on Thursday for further details and a link to the meeting. If you did not receive the e-mail, you can contact the church office so it can be sent to you.

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

OUR LOVING SYMPATHY — is extended to the Oosterman/Krygsman family—daughters Carolyn Preble, Pam Krygsman and granddaughter Annika Bangma—and their families in the passing of their loving, father, grandfather and great-grandfather Herman. *The Lord be with each of you!*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF HERMAN (HUMP) OOSTERMAN November 25, 1925 — August 14, 2020

*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but to save the world through him. + John 3:16-17*

DIVORCE CARE — for adults and children will meet on Tuesday evenings, starting September 8, 6:30-8:30pm in the offices. For more info, please contact Howard DeVries.

GRIEF-SHARE — will begin again on Tuesday, September 8, at 6:30pm. If you have lost a loved one, come to this helpful ministry for comfort and understanding in dealing with your grief. Please contact Howard or Marlene DeVries for more information.

GROW — Cultivate Your Faith

WOMEN OF PLEASANT STREET — Studying the Bible with others is an important part of growing in our Christian life. Join us for *Coffee Break*, an informal community Bible study on Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11am, beginning September 8 via Zoom. You can use your computer or dial in by phone. We will start with a Zoom Test Start for a Welcome and Introduction and the following week we will begin studying *Romans: For All Who Believe*. The coffee is hot (at home) and the fellowship is sweet! Call Anna Bloem for more info: 508.234.4902.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY — will resume its regular sessions beginning Thursday, September 17 at 6:30am in the fellowship hall. We meet each Thursday (unless it falls on a holiday or if schools are cancelled due to inclement weather). All men are invited as we begin a new season studying God's Word. You may contact Jack Crawford if you have any questions at his "new" telephone number: 508.526.3182

ADVANCE NOTICE — Our worship on **September 6** (Labor Day weekend) will ONLY be available online. You can enjoy the service in your jammies at home or from your favorite vacation spot, but there won't be anyone in the building to greet you with hand sanitizer! :-). We'll be back in the building for the following Sunday, September 13.

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

THANK YOU! — To Stuart De Jong and others who have been very generous in bringing to church many kinds of vegetables from their gardens to share with the congregation this summer.

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

REACH OUT — Connect with our Community

THANK YOU — On behalf the Northbridge Association of Churches to those who donated Back-To-School Supplies. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church

508.234.5268 + Office: 8a-3p Mon-Fri
August 23, 2020 + 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!

Prayer of Preparation

*Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ, that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer.
Amen.*

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Loving God, we have gathered to meet you.

We have come to listen to you, to seek you, to worship you.

You are the beginning of all things, the life of all things; you knew us before we were born.

In you we become; in you we live.

Loving God, you are here and everywhere, around us and within us; you know our inmost thoughts.

In you we hope; in you we live.

You are the source of serenity, giving peace that is beyond our understanding.

In you we are still; in you we live.

Loving God, we live in you; we worship you.

Loving God, you live in us; we worship you. Amen.

SONG: *Lord, You are Good*
Sing to the King

Renewal

Prayer of Confession

Righteous Father, we who own more than we use, proclaim more than we experience, and request more than we need, come asking your forgiveness.

We seek your salvation,

then act like we save ourselves.

We beg your forgiveness,

then repeat our errors.

We experience your grace,

then act defeated.

We rely on your power,

but only in hard times.

We have become confused and misguided.

Forgive our every defection.

Bring us to an unbroken commitment and a steady trust, through Jesus Christ, who is the way of hope, the truth of God, and the life of love, now and always.

Amen.

Silent confession

Words of Assurance—Psalm 130:3-4, 7-8

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

This is the good news.

Thanks be to God!

Guide to Grateful Living—Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been raised up to be with Christ, you must look for the things that are above, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on things above, not on things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed—and he is your life—you, too, will be revealed with him in glory.

May the Spirit of God guide us to be obedient to this Word. Amen!

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

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WORD

Morning Prayers

Psalm 130 + "Waiting in Hope"

SEND

SONG: *The Lord Our God*

Benediction—Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

SERMON NOTES