

LIVING THE STORY OF GOD THIS WEEK

- M 2:00p Open Door: Foundation
6:00p Men's Softball Game: Home vs. UN
6:30p Celebrate Recovery
- T 9:30a Coffee Break: Fellowship Hall; Childcare
2:00p Open Door: Foundation
6:30p Fresh Start: Gems Room
6:30p Divorce Care for Kids: Room 7
6:30p GriefShare: Offices
6:30p Free Tech Support: Foundation:
- W 6:30p Celebrate Recovery Step Study: Offices
- Th 2:00p Open Door: Foundation
5:15p High School Youth Group: Foundation

MINISTRY STAFF — HOW CAN WE SERVE YOU?

Sr. Pastor: Rev. Derek Zeyl; Care Ministries: Rev. Howard DeVries;
Youth: Annika Bangma; Children: Kate Martinka; Worship: Becky
VandenAkker; Office/Finances: Sadie Perkins / firstname@pscrc.org

SHEPHERDING PASTORATES — Alphabetical by last name:

- A-B** — Elder Harry & Deacon Leona van der Meer
C-G — Elder Scott Schneider & Deacon Lillian Hackathorn
H-L — Elder Steve Stinson & Deacon Les Bangma
M-R — Elder Steve Haringa & Deacon John Hendrikse
S-Z — Elder Weberton Figueiredo & Deacon Sue Cooper

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — Council calls the congregation to a special meeting after worship, next Sunday, April 29, to vote on the following recommendation: *To allow women to serve in the office of elder at Pleasant Street CRC.* Signed paper absentee ballots will be accepted at the meeting and email ballots can be sent to Council VP Harry van der Meer at hartvandermeer@gmail.com prior to the day of the vote. Full consideration will be given to the judgment expressed by the congregation and Council will ratify the final decision at their May 1 meeting, per *Article 37 of the Church Order.* You are encouraged to reach out to your pastorate elder or deacon if you have any questions—*Pleasant Street Council*

CARE — COME ALONGSIDE OTHERS

LET'S PRAY! For Kate Martinka who was feeling significant pressure in her chest and feeling short of breath—she was admitted to Milford ER where they did an EKG and kept her overnight to be continually observed—all tests came back clear. Please also keep in your prayers Gladys Youngsma who was suffering from pneumonia last week but is now recovering at home.

COLLEGE CARE PACKS — Final exams are approaching so let's encourage our college students through donating goods, a note of encouragement, and/or making sure your favorite student is on our list! Please see the table in the fellowship hall. Items are due today. Thanks for your support!

GROW — CULTIVATE YOUR FAITH

EKKLESIA RETREAT — is May 4-6 for High School students. Join Annika and our HSYG leaders for a weekend trip to dive deep and explore what it means to be a "called out one" in our church, communities, and the world today. Grow in your relationship with Christ and others during this quiet weekend of respite in the mountains of New Hampshire! Information was given out and/or placed in all student family's boxes. Registration due by youth group on April 26.

BEREA DISCOVERY DAY — May 19 for 2nd through 5th graders. Join Kate and KidStreet as we enjoy a fun filled day of Camp Berea, right here in our own backyard! Berea is coming to Whitinsville and hosting a day of high-energy sessions, small group activities, and large group games for 2nd through 5th graders, all centered on the theme of *"I Am Yours"*! Registration is due to Kate by May 6; registration cost is \$45 - scholarships available as needed (please see Kate or Annika if you wish to apply for a scholarship). Information regarding schedule, speaker and more available at <http://berea.org/discoveryday/>. Please note, although this is being hosted on the Whitinsville Christian School campus, this is NOT a WCS event. Berea is simply utilizing their campus for the day. In order to attend, students (even WCS students) **MUST register with their church group — so don't miss out on the fun! Register with PSCRC's KidStreet group today!**

SERVE — CONTRIBUTE YOUR TALENTS & RESOURCES

HELP NEEDED — for worship ministries: Chuck, Mike, and Brian, the three guys who change the slides for you each week, would love for you to join their team. All it takes is a finger to push a button, a little computer knowledge, and close attention during the services. If you can help them out and would be willing to join their team, please contact Becky VandenAkker becky@pscrc.org so we can get you signed up! Thanks!

PLEASANT STREET CHURCH

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APRIL 22, 2018 + 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! Visit the KidStreet check-in station in the foyer to get a security tag so your kids can join us downstairs. If you arrive late and need help checking in, assistance is available at the nursery. The nursery is open to infants-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 service. We are excited to serve you!

GATHER

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship —

This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

God, our Creator, from nothing you made our world.

You formed us, love us, and give us all that we need.

God, our Redeemer, you rescued us from sin.

You have given us new life and hope of healing to the world.

God, our Comforter, you are with us always.

You comfort us, renew us, and guide us into your truth.

Almighty God, for your gracious love for us, we praise you.

Amen.

SONGS: *It is You & Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty*

Prayer of Confession—based on Daniel 9:4-19

O Lord, great God, all holy, Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, we are embarrassed to come before you, for we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways, for we have rebelled against your wisdom and we have gotten into trouble, for we have rejected your fatherly guidance and have gotten lost altogether.

To you belongs righteousness, O Lord, and to us confusion of face.

O Lord, great God, all holy, filled with awe, Father, most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, incline your ear to our troubles.

Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you.

Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy.

On the ground of your great mercy in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ.

It is in his name that we pray, for he is our Savior and the mediator of the covenant of grace. **Amen.**

Silent Confession

Words of Encouragement

We give thanks to you, God our Father, for mercy that reaches out, for patience that waits our returning, for your love that is ever ready to welcome sinners.

We praise you that in Jesus Christ you came to us with forgiveness, and that, by your Holy Spirit, you move us to repent and receive your love.

Though we are sinners, you are faithful and worthy of all praise.

We praise you, great God, in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SONG: *Before the Throne of God Above*

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

KIDSTREET Dismissal — 4 years to 2nd grade

WORD

2 Corinthians 4:1-12 + “The Gospel According to...”

Sermon Notes:

COMMIT

Morning Prayers

Echo Dismissal

Morning Offering — Ministries of Pleasant Street

SONG: *The Potter’s Hand*

SEND

Benediction

As you leave this place this day, may God’s love sustain you, and may you love those who surround you. May God’s Spirit empower you, and may you empower all those you meet. May God’s joy fill your hearts, and may this joy overflow to the ends of the earth for God’s glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

SONG: : *Siyahamba/We Are Marching in the Light of God*

Dismissal

Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!