

**Christian Reformed Church of Pease**

**January 21, 2024 - 9:30 A.M**

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**Pastor Mark Brouwer**

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## **We Enter God's Presence**

Moment of Silence

Call to Worship

Opening Song: *"Open the Eyes of My Heart"*

God's Greeting and Our Mutual Greeting

Songs of Praise: *"The Heart of Worship"*

*"We Are an Offering"*

Installation of New Officebearer

Intercessory Prayer: Carl Veurink

Our Gifts: 1) General Fund

2) Rum River Life Choices Center

## **We Hear God's Word**

Children's Message: Stacy Patten

Scripture: Philippians 4:12

Message: **"50-50 Principle"**

Prayer of Application

Song of Application: *"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"*

Celebration of Holy Communion

## **We Depart with God's Blessing**

God's Parting Blessing

Closing Song: *"Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me"*



## Sermon Notes

Two Things I Want to Remember From Today's Message:

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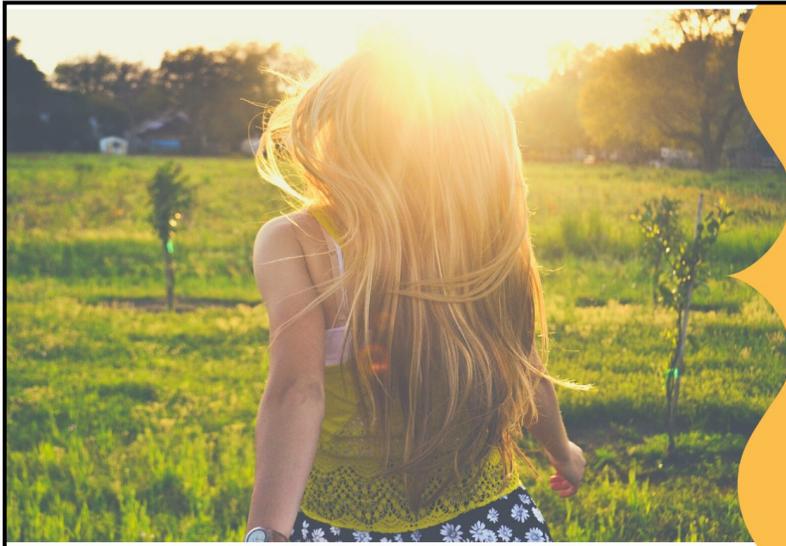
2.

Scriptures Mentioned in  
Today's Message:

Things I Learned/Something I Was Reminded Of:

One word I didn't know:

How many times did  
Pastor Mark say the  
word "heard"?



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"You made [people] a  
little lower than the  
heavenly beings and  
crowned them with  
glory and honor."  
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PSALM 8:5  
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Today is Sanctity of Life Sunday. This morning we come to worship knowing that God made us in his image and likeness. No other creature carries that distinction. Therefore, come and worship the Triune God, who has fashioned and made you like no other.  
Welcome to worship!

This morning we welcome **Pastor Mark Brouwer**, who joins us from Bethel CRC in Princeton. He brings us his message "50-50 Principle", from Philippians 4:12. Next Sunday we will be joined by Pastor Travis Deur, the Classis Lake Superior Youth Ministries Champion and Commissioned Pastor at Faith CRC in New Brighton.

Today we will gather at the table of our Lord Jesus Christ for **Holy Communion**. All who have repented of their sins, accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, and desire to serve him and be his disciple with the help of the Holy Spirit are welcome and encouraged to participate with us.

You are invited to **Sunday Night at the Movies!** Join us in the Fellowship Hall this afternoon at 4:30 as the Outreach Team shows "Jesus Revolution" (rated PG-13). Popcorn, pop and lemonade will be provided. We hope to see you there!

Today is **Sanctity of Human Life Sunday**– People in Canada with mental illness alone will become eligible for assisted dying beginning in March 2024. Please pray for advocates working with Members of Parliament to change legislation on this matter. Pray for eyes to see other solutions for persons struggling with mental illness. Taken from the January 2024 Prayer Guide. See more at [www.crcna.org/pray](http://www.crcna.org/pray)

## *Our Church Family*

Please be in prayer for **Eleanor Veurink**, who currently has Covid. Especially considering her underlying health concerns, she appreciates your prayers as she continues her recovery.

Continue to be in prayer for **Irene Kok** as she slowly recovers from a broken arm and ribs. We are thankful to God that her positivity can brighten others as she remains in the Elim Home while she heals.

*“I feel so blessed by all the expressions of gratitude from such a caring church family. Thank you for the well wishes, birthday and Christmas wishes, and the food that was brought to me.”*  
~**Eleanor Veurink**

The **Cadets** will be **TUBING** next Sunday, January 28, at Wild Mountain! They will leave from church promptly at 12:30 (please feed them lunch at home), and arrive back to church around 6:00 p.m. Waiver forms have been handed out and are required for tubing (talk to Dick ASAP if you need one). Cadets need to complete and return these forms on the 28th, along with \$10 for admission and money for supper at Culver's. *Please dress warm!*

The next **Family Fellowship Meal** will be Sunday, February 4. The Purple and Orange Shepherding Groups will be hosting brunch following our morning worship. Please plan to stay, eat, and visit!



**What is your favorite song?** Do you have a song that resonates with your heart or speaks to your soul? Maybe there are lyrics that shined light onto your dark path or words that led you out of a tangled forest? Is there a song that is simply your favorite? Beginning next Sunday, January 28, we would love to hear from you what is your favorite hymn or contemporary worship song-and WHY! Worship leaders will incorporate these songs into our services, and (with your permission) we may share why that song has meaning to you. A box will be placed next to the office for you to submit your requests. Please talk to Shelly Ash or Carrie if you have any questions.

The second offerings received in January are:  
January 28- 125 Campaign

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip:** Phil Reinders writes, “Through the Holy Spirit, the Word shakes off ink, paper, and pixels, stepping out of the page or screen and into our daily lives. That comes through patient attentiveness, a listening that is slow and savours.” Invite the Spirit to bring God’s Word alive to you in ever deeper ways. Learn more at [crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject](http://crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject)



### *Calendar for the Week*

**Sunday, January 21**

9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship with Communion  
4:30 p.m. Showing of ‘Jesus Revolution’

**Monday, January 22**

1:30 p.m. Mission Society

**Wednesday, January 24**

6:00 p.m. Coffee Break  
6:30 p.m. REC Jr.  
7:45 p.m. REC

**Thursday, January 25**

7:30 p.m. Men’s Bible Study

### *Upcoming Events*

- >Cadet Tubing Trip to Wild Mountain: January 28; 12:30 p.m. departure
- >Sunday Night Live: January 28; 4:00 p.m.
- >Search Team Meeting: January 31, 4:00 p.m.
- >Senior’s Valentines Brunch: Date TBD

## Opportunities To Serve

**Sound Board Today, January 21:** Ryan Swanson

**Next Sunday, January 28:** Bernie Boldt

**Media Today, January 21:** Anita Hubers

**Next Sunday, January 28:** Linda Droogsma

**Livestream Today, January 21:** Dylan Moorlag

**Next Sunday, January 28:** Damian Patnode

**Greeters Today, January 21:**

**East Door:** Jay & Greta Rensenbrink      **West Door:** Doug & Dort Brink

**Next Sunday, January 28:**

**East Door:** Dennis & Marian Beier      **West Door:** Kevin & Kristi Santema

**Ushers Today, January 21:**

**East:** Morris Droogsma

**Center:** Diana Krueger

**West:** Den Kiel

**Next Sunday, January 28:**

**East:** Carl Veurink

**Center:** John & Carol Teeler

**West:** George Droogsma

**Nursery Today, January 21:**

**Leaders:** Sharon Hanenburg, Sara Swanson

**Helpers:** Keslyn Hoyez, Amelia Schluender

**Next Sunday, January 28:**

**Leaders:** Julie Jaunich, Jenny Santema

**Helpers:** Kinsley Hoyez, Maddie Pipkin

**Children's Church Today, January 21:**

**Little Lambs:** *"The Greatest Gift"*

**Leader:** Peggy Timmer

**Helper:** Keslyn Hoyez

**Worship Center:** *"The Leaven"*

**Leader:** Joelle Hjort

**Helper:** Ava Patnode

**The 2-3's:** *No Class- Communion Sunday*

**Leader:**

**The 4-5's:** *No Class- Communion Sunday*

**Leader:**

**Children's Church Next Sunday, January 28:**

**Little Lambs:** *"A Father's Wish"*

**Leader:** Haley Hemmerich

**Helper:** Annika Kiel

**Worship Center:** *"The Sower"*

**Leader:** Michelle Schluender

**Helper:** Amelia Schluender

**The 2-3's:** *Lesson 15*

**Leader:** Shirley Geurkink

**The 4-5's:** *Lesson 15*

**Leader:** Jody Patnode

In the U.S., two thirds of women who have had an abortion have reported coming from a Christian-faith background. The same percentage say they could not afford another child. Let us seek the thriving of all God's children, bearing the practical needs of persons contemplating abortion and bringing them before the Lord.

(Taken from the January 2022 Prayer Guide at: [www.crcna.org/pray](http://www.crcna.org/pray)).

*There is a light inside each human being.*

**The light of life. A fragile flame.**

**A sacred, precious spark that is either protected or snuffed out.**

The Rum River Life Choices Center is a Christ-centered ministry committed to upholding the sanctity of human life by reaching out with truth and love and to proclaiming the Gospel in word and deed. Our doors are open to all who struggle with an unplanned pregnancy. Our **ultrasound ministry** shines light on a new life hidden in the womb. Our **abortion recovery program** helps to heal the shadows of deep wounds. Our **L.I.F.E classes and boutique** provide physical and practical help in dark times. Our **men's ministry** helps new and expectant dads find their way.

**Light drives out darkness  
as truth and love drive out fear.**

We depend on our supporters to keep our light shining.

Whatever gifts God has given you, we can use them for His glory.

- Volunteer your time.
- Become a monthly "Friend For Life" donor.
  - No contribution is too small.
- Donate services and supplies.
  - Your gifts can make a difference.
- Be a church liaison.
  - Help us shine in our community.



**Donate Here**

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Life Choices Center*

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763-389-7876  
[rumriverforlife.org](http://rumriverforlife.org)



## To help support the **Life Choices Center**

We will be hosting a supply drive the next two Sundays. Simply bring your donations to church and place them on the table in the Narthex. We will deliver them for you on February 1! Their Amazon Wishlist items include:

- \*Pull-Ups size 3T-5T
- \*Diapers size 4-6 (especially size 6)
- \*Pacifiers
- \*Sleepers of all sizes
- \*Toddler winter gear
- \*Baby Wipes