



Christian Reformed Church of Pease

January 5, 2025 - 9:30 A.M

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Pastor Dallas Smith

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

Moment of Silence

Call to Worship

Opening Song: *"Come, People of the Risen King"*

God's Greeting & Our Mutual Greeting

Songs of Praise: *"Living Hope"*

*"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*

Confession and Assurance

Song of Response: *"As the Deer"*

Intercessory Prayer: Dylan Moorlag

Our Gifts: 1) General Fund

2) Community Christian School

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

Children's Message: Nicole Hoffman

Scripture: Hebrews 5:11-14; 6:1-9

Message: **"Grow Up"**

Song of Application: *"Raise a Hallelujah"*

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

God's Parting Blessing

Closing Song: *"My Friends, May You Grow in Grace"*



# SERMON NOTES

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ practice

3. Useful \_\_\_\_\_

## **Thank you for worshipping with us today!**

- ◆ If you're a visitor with us, we welcome you in the name of Christ and invite you to fill out the card in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. We would love to reach out to you and get to know you better!
- ◆ Nursery care for infants through age two, as well as Children in Worship for children ages 3-5th grade are all available during our worship service.
- ◆ Activity bags for small children are available near the office.
- ◆ Hearing enhancers are available in the Sound Booth.
- ◆ As a courtesy, please switch your cell phones off or to silent mode.



A HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR to you in the name of Jesus our Lord! As our Heavenly Father again shows his faithfulness to us during the new year, may we respond in faithfulness to him with a life of grateful obedience and service. Welcome to worship!

This first Sunday morning of 2025 we welcome **Pastor Dallas Smith** to worship with us, bringing his message from Hebrews, "Grow Up". Next Sunday, **Pastor Mark Brouwer** from Bethel CRC in Princeton joins us in worship.

The Outreach Team will be showing ***Soul Surfer*** this afternoon at 5:00 p.m. *"Most teenagers would give up after losing their arm in a shark attack, but not Bethany Hamilton. Five years after the attack, she is a world-champion surfer. Her story of faith was an inspiration to many."* Come for popcorn and a great movie– bring a friend!

**SNL** will be back next week with Kid's Club, GEMS, Cadets, and *The Story* book discussion group all meeting at 4:00. Study guides are available in the office for chapters 10-12 for those who missed the last meeting.

In the wake of the busy Christmas and New Year's holidays, it has been decided to forgo this month's **Family Fellowship Meal**. However, the Blue and Green Shepherding Group leaders are already planning a delicious meal for February 2! Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks.

**Classis Lake Superior** will be meeting at Bethel CRC in Princeton March 3 & 4. Their planning committee is looking for people to host delegates for a night or two. If you are interested, please contact Rob Braun at 763-607-1394, or Bethel CRC at 763-389-5715 as soon as possible.

Second offerings for the month of January will be received as follows:

1/12– Youth Group Snack Packing  
1/19– Rum River Life Choices      1/26– 125 Campaign

## Our Church Family

We wish a very happy birthday to **Jean Droogsma**, celebrating her 98th birthday on Friday, January 10!

*"Many thanks for all the Christmas greetings from my church family!"*

*~Lorraine Veurink*

*"Dear church family, thank you so much for all the Christmas greetings and anniversary wishes. We read each card together, which brought up good conversations. We are doing well, and testify to God's goodness and faithfulness to us each day. We continue to pray that God will soon send a pastor to shepherd our church. May God bless each of you in the New Year!" ~Jim & Joanne Vedders*

*"Thank you to our church family for the cheer basket, many cards, and well-wishes. It's so comforting to know that we are in your prayers." ~Al & Barb Bekius*

*"Thank you for all the cards that I received at Christmas time. I am thankful for my church family and all you have done for me." ~Carol Timmer*

## Calendar for the Week

### Sunday, January 5

9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship

5:00 p.m.

Movie Night: Soul Surfer

### Wednesday, January 8

10:30 a.m.

Senior Bible Study

6:00 p.m.

Coffee Break

### Thursday, January 9

7:30 p.m.

Men's Bible Study

## Advance Notices

- >Sunday Night Live: Sunday, January 12; 4:00 p.m.
- >Mission Society: Monday, January 13; 1:30 p.m.
- >Administrative Team Meeting: Monday, January 13; 4:30 p.m.
- >Women's Crafting Group: Tuesday, January 14; 9:00 a.m.
- >Coffee in the Fireside Room: Wednesday, January 15; 9:00 a.m.
- >Men's Timeout: Saturday, January 18; 8:00 a.m.
- >Shepherding Team Meeting: Tuesday, January 20; 6:00 p.m.



**Epiphany** season begins on January 6. The liturgical year celebrates the life of Christ, and epiphany, which means 'manifestation' commemorates Christ's revelation to the Gentile world as symbolized by the visit of the Magi with their three crowns on the *pulpit parament*. The 'good news' of the gospel made manifest to all the nations of the world is represented by green, the color of life and growth. The circle on the pulpit parament represents the earth across which the gospel message must travel. The four colors represent the four races of humanity to whom the gospel is sent in the four directions to circle the globe. The wreath on the *communion table parament* also uses the symbol of the crown which all those who accept Christ as Lord and Savior receive. It is the victory wreath of leaves the Christian 'wears' to indicate "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day; and not me only, but unto them that love my appearing." II Timothy 4:7-8.

**Parable of the Sower Banner:** Luke 8:5-15 "The seed is the word of God..." In the parable of the sower the Lord Jesus uses several word pictures to teach the lesson that we must be "Doers of the word and not hearers only" (James 1:22). Seed well-planted, grown and ripened to harvest is a symbol of the faith that takes hold in the heart of the righteous, grows, and bears fruit (good works) which glorify God.

**Parable of the Kingdom of Heaven Banner:** Matthew 13:47 "The Kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake, and caught all kinds of fish." These symbols remind us of the work of Christ as the fisher of men, and His commission to His disciples to become fishers of Men (Luke 5). The shape of the net suggests a shell, a traditional symbol of baptism, which is the sign and seal to believers that they are members of the kingdom of heaven.

### Community Announcements

The next Singalong with **This Side of Heaven** will be today at 3:00 p.m., at the Milaca Evangelical Free Church.

Grieving a loss? Find hope and healing after the death of a loved one. Join the members of **Grief Share**, a weekly grief support group that meets on Mondays at the Milaca Free Church from 6:00-7:30, beginning January 6. Contact Susan with questions at 320-362-0878.

## Opportunities To Serve

**Sound Board Today, January 5:** Ryan Swanson

**Next Sunday, January 12:** Jeff Hanenburg

**Media Today, January 5:** Anita Hubers

**Next Sunday, January 12:** Anita Hubers

**Livestream Today, January 5:** Damian Patnode

**Next Sunday, January 12:** Sam Fradette

**Greeters Today, January 5:**

**East Door:** Duane & Karen Bouma

**West Door:** Shirley Geurkink

**Next Sunday, January 12:**

**East Door:** Judy Vander Linden

**West Door:** Paul & Tammie Peterson

**Ushers Today, January 5:**

**East:** Jim Santema

**Center:** Diana Krueger

**West:** Steve Hubers

**Next Sunday, January 12:**

**East:** Mike Larsen

**Center:** Ron & Bonnie Homstad

**West:** Bill Ruis

**Nursery Today, January 5:**

**Leaders:** Ali Droogsma, Tony Van't Hof

**Helpers:** Amelia Schluender, Maddie Pipkin

**Next Sunday, January 12:**

**Leaders:** Lynn Fradette, Sara Swanson

**Helpers:** Ty Patnode, Abbie Manke

**Children's Church Today, January 5:**

**Little Lambs:** *"Who Is This Child?"*

**Leader:** Haley Hemmerich

**Greeter:** Mallery Vander Plaats

**Worship Center:** *"Jesus is Baptized"*

**Leader:** Carol Veurink

**Greeter:** Aleeri Veurink

**Sunday School:** *Unit 3, Week 3*

**2nd & 3rd Leader:** Bailey Ash

**4th & 5th Leader:** Bonnie Ash

**Children's Church Next Sunday, January 12:**

**Little Lambs:** *"Follow Me!"*

**Leader:** Barb Goslings

**Greeter:** Ty Patnode

**Worship Center:** *"The Great Pearl"*

**Leader:** Sara Swanson

**Greeter:** Ella Totzke

**Sunday School:** *Unit 3, Week 4*

**2nd & 3rd Leader:** Keri Cook

**4th & 5th Leader:** Jennifer Elton



## **2025 Administrative Team**

**Elders:** Jeff Hanenburg—President  
Tom Patten—Vice President  
Doug Brink—Clerk

**Deacons:** Ryan Manke—President  
Joelle Hjort—Vice President  
Keith Cook—Secretary

## **2025 Shepherding Teams**

**Red:** Sam Pearson, Char De Kraker, Hope Vermeer  
**Yellow:** George Droogsma, Dylan Ash, Cindy Hemmerich  
**Purple:** Dick Ritzema, Curt Hanenburg, Char Burklund  
**Orange:** Phil Van De Riet, Sam Fradette, Sharry Kragt  
**Blue:** Byron Byker, John Teeler, Shirley Geurkink  
**Green:** Julee Moorlag, Ian Thompson, Kris Kiel



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