

Christian Reformed Church of Pease March 3, 2024 - 9:30 A.M

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Mr. Dick Ahlberg

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We Enter God's Presence

Moment of Silence Call to Worship Opening Song: *"Brother"* God's Greeting and Our Mutual Greeting Song of Praise: *"King of Kings"* Confession and Assurance Song of Assurance: *"O Lord, You are My Light"* Intercessory Prayer: Amy Banks Our Gifts: 1) General Fund 2) Community Christian School

We Hear God's Word

Children's Message: Nicole Hoffman Scripture: Ephesians 5:8-17 Message: **"Walking in the Light"** Song of Response: *"My Lighthouse"*

We Depart with God's Blessing

God's Parting Blessing Closing Song: *"We Receive Your Blessing"*



Sermon Notes

I am the of he woe Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but have the light of life. John 8:19

As we come to worship, we come because of Jesus, the light of the world, who has shown us the way. May we follow in His light on the road to the resurrection. Welcome to worship!

This morning we welcome **Mr. Dick Ahlberg** to lead us in worship. We will hear his message titled "Walking in the Light", using Ephesians 5:8-17. Next week **Mr. Jerry Van Someren** joins us in taking a closer look at Mark 8:31-38 with his message "The Suffering Servant".

Easter Flower order forms have been inserted in your bulletins this morning. If you wish to purchase an arrangement for \$25 to adorn our pulpit on Easter Sunday, please have your order forms (with payment) returned to the office by Sunday, March



17. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward the Coffee Break Bible study ministry.



Join us after our service this morning for a **Family Fellowship Meal!** The Red and Yellow Shepherding Groups are preparing a baked potato bar! Please plan to stay for a delicious meal and good conversations. A freewill offering basket will be available for those wishing to donate.

<u>The second offerings received in March are:</u> March 3 –Community Christian School March 10–Werner Missionaries in Japan March 17–Milaca Food Pantry March 24–125 Campaign March 3–Resonate Global Missions

<u> Our Church Family</u>

The **GAP Team** arrived home safely earlier this week! Thank you for your prayers as they traveled to Guatemala to learn more about the work God is doing in their communities.

Continued prayers for **Delores Bekius**, who is recovering at home after having a procedure to insert a pacemaker. She is slowly improving each day.

Please be in prayer for **Tyler Gunnufson's** aunt, Zoe, who had a heart attack last Wednesday and was in the ICU for a few days. She is doing much better, and appreciates your prayers for a full recovery.

An update on our missionary in Japan, Perrin Werner, was emailed to everyone this past Thursday. Printed copies are also available in the Narthex.

Our next **American Red Cross Blood Drive** is THIS THURSDAY, March 7, Please consider signing up, as just over half of our appointments have been filled. Signup info is available on the bulletin boards, by scanning the QR code on the back of this bulletin, or at <u>redcrossblood.org</u>.

Men's Timeout resumes this Saturday, March 9. The feature speaker will be Daniel Schaeppi, Director of Outreach for all Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge facilities in the state. Breakfast is a half hour later than usual, starting at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Dan will be speaking around 9:00. Invite a friend-all men and boys are welcome!

The annual **CRC Day of Prayer** is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13. We will be hosting a prayer service at 7:00 p.m., where we will sing songs of praise and thanksgiving, and pray for ministries within our denomination and our own church.

Experience Jesus' final days as you **'Walk Through Holy Week'.** Our church will be open to the community on Thursday, March 28 and Friday, March 29 from noon-6:00 p.m. for participants to walk at their own pace through interactive scenes that are appropriate for all ages. Talk to Carrie or Trudy if you have any questions or if you would like to help.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip: Most of us are not naturally good listeners, and that can affect our relationship with God. Practice "listening prayer" this week. Find a quiet spot, calm your mind, and invite God to speak to your heart. Learn more at <u>crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject</u>

<u>Calendar for the Week</u>

 Sunday, March 3

 9:30 a.m.

 11:00 a.m.

 Monday, March 4

 1:30 p.m.

 9:00 a.m.

 6:30 p.m.

 7:45 p.m.

 Thursday, March 7

 12:00 p.m.

 7:30 p.m.

 8:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship Family Fellowship Meal

Mission Society

Coffee in the Fireside Room REC Jr. REC

American Red Cross Blood Drive Men's Bible Study

Men's Timeout

<u>Upcoming Events</u>

>CRC Day of Prayer: Wednesday March 13; 7:00 p.m.>Good Friday Worship Service (Joint with Bethel CRC AT Pease); 7:00 p.m.

Community Announcements

The next Country Gospel Singalong with **This Side of Heaven** is today at 3:00 p.m at the Milaca E. Free Church. The well-loved men's song group, "**Redeemed**" will be doing special songs in honor of food shelf month. Please bring food or monetary donations.

GTI Cambridge Cinema 5 will be showing the movie **'Do You Believe?'** for free this afternoon at 2:00 and 4:30 p.m. A clergyman's reenergized faith and commitment has far reaching impacts on a physician, a paramedic, a homeless woman, and others.

Catholic Charities Senior Dining will be distributing free frozen meals on Tuesday, March 5, at the Milaca Alliance Church from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to Zion Lutheran in Milaca for a **Lasagna Dinner Fundraiser** to benefit the family of their late custodian, John Glauvitz. Food will be served from 4:30-7:00 p.m., with a bake sale and \$1/chance gift drawings throughout the evening. Suggested donation of \$10 per person.

Corey Santema (and his crew) will again be doing the Polar Plunge for Special Olympics MN! They will plunge this Saturday, March 9th, at 1pm at Eddy's Resort on Mille Lacs. Come cheer them on! Online donations are still being accepted- contact Jenny Santema or go online to www.plungemn.org.

Opportunities To Serve

Sound Board Today, March 3: Bernie Boldt Next Sunday, March 10: Jeff Hanenburg

<u>Media Today, March 3</u>: Linda Droogsma <u>Next Sunday, March 10:</u> Linda Droogsma

Livestream Today, March 3: Bob Sumner Next Sunday, March 10: Sam Fradette

Greeters Today, March 3: East Door: Morris Droogsma Next Sunday, March 10: East Door: Char De Kraker

<u>Ushers Today, March 3</u>:

East: Jim Santema West: Laura Broberg

<u>Next Sunday, March 10</u>: East: Mike Larsen West: Dewey Droogsma West Door: Brenda Santema

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Center: Greg Brink

Center: Diana Krueger

<u>Nursery Today, March 3</u>:

Leaders: Shawny Thompson, Sara Swanson **Helpers:** Kinsley Hoyez, Amelia Schluender

Next Sunday, March 10:

Leaders: Nicole Hoffman, Jenny Santema **Helpers:** Keslyn Hoyez, Maddie Pipkin

Children's Church Today, March 3:

Little Lambs:"Thank You, Jesus!"Leader:Debbie VeddersHelper: Ava PatnodeWorship Center:"Jesus and Bartimaeus"Helper: Ella TotzkeLeader:Joelle HjortHelper: Ella TotzkeThe 2-3's:Lesson 20Leader: Julee MoorlagThe 4-5's:Lesson 20Lesson 20

Leader: Bonnie Ash

Children's Church Next Sunday, March 10:

Little Lambs: "A Wonderful Sight" Leader: Haley Hemmerich Worship Center: "Jarius' Daughter" Leader: Sara Swanson The 2-3's: Lesson 21 Leader: Shirley Geurkink The 4-5's: Lesson 21 Leader: Jackee Bekius

Helper: Amelia Schluender

Helper: Molly Totzke



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Blood Drive

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117 W Main St - Pease

Thursday, March 7, 2024 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.



