

Christian Reformed Church of Pease November 16, 2025 - 9:30 A.M Pastor Brad Bierma

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We Enter God's Presence

Call to Worship

Opening Song: "Let All Things Now Living"
God's Greeting & Our Mutual Greeting

Song of Praise: "Now Thank We All Our God"
Confession and Assurance

Song of Assurance: "The Power of the Cross"

Intercessory Prayer: Nick Hoffman Offering received for: 1) General Fund

2) Perrin Werner Missionary Ministry

We Hear God's Word

Children's Message: Lois Ritzema Scripture: Luke 12:16-21

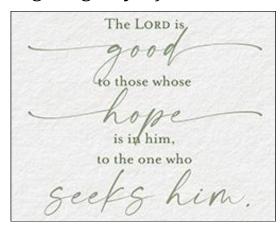
Message: What Really Matters: "Life-Not Earned"

Prayer of Application

Song of Application: "My Heart is Yours"

We Depart with God's Blessing

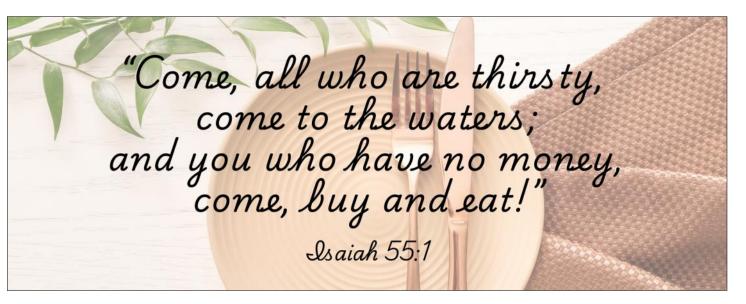
God's Parting Blessing
Parting Song: "My Life is in You, Lord"



Germon Notes

Thank you for worshiping 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 is available during our service.
- Children in Worship and Sunday School are available for children ages 3-5th grade. Kids will be invited up front for a children's message, and will then be excused.
- 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.



Though empty-handed, our Lord invites us to come and be filled by His grace and mercy. May your worship of Him today fill you with overwhelming joy and peace. Welcome to worship!

Pastor Brad's series, What Really Matters, continues this morning as we meditate on Luke 12:16-21 and "Life-Not Earned". Next week we will conclude with Luke 16:1-15, "Entrusted".

Next Sunday we also have the privilege of witnessing the covenant baptism of **Jay Bekius**, son of **Ken & Jillian Bekius**. In addition, we are also welcoming Jillian to our fellowship as she makes a public profession of her faith.

Cadets ONLY meet this afternoon at 3:00. The oldest cadre should immediately report to the kitchen to begin their baking badge!

Extra sets of **Advent Blocks** are still available for \$20. Talk to Carrie if you would like to purchase a set before Advent begins!



Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes are due today! Mission Society members will be packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child tomorrow afternoon, November 17. Please drop your donations off in the Fireside Room by 1:30 p.m. Contact Peggy Baas at 320-369-41258 or Delores Bekius at 763-381-7345 with questions.

Our Church Family

Please keep the **Shepherding Teams** and the **Elders** in your prayers as they meet on Tuesday.

"Our sincere appreciation for all those who visited, sent cards, flowers, phone calls, and especially your prayers. Your thoughtfulness meant so much to us! Special thanks to those who prepared and served lunch at the funeral."

~The family of Bud Terpstra



Our **Annual Congregational Meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, November 25, at 6:30 p.m. Agendas and the gregational 2026 Proposed Budget are now in your mailboxes, along with a document with information on each of our nominees. If you cannot be at the meeting, absentee

ballots are now available in the office. Those on the ballot for deacon are: Josh Baas, Jennifer Elton, Nick Hoffman, Darick Kvien, Myles Swenson, and Ian Thompson. Those on the ballot for elder are: Morris Droogsma, Barb Goslinga, George Hemmerich, Dennis Kiel, Joy Myren, and Kevin Santema. Please pray for these individuals and over this process in the next few weeks. Those ending their terms of service are: Deacons- Sam Fradette, Ryan Manke, & Ian Thompson; Elders-Doug Brink, Byron Byker, & Julee Moorlag.

Ready to ring? The **Salvation Army's** 'Register to Ring' link is up and running (www.registertoring.com)-pick your slot today! Ringing begins on November 22-and all donations stay in Mille Lacs County. Talk to Keith or Keri Cook, Beth Sumner, Sam Fradette or Dick Ritzema with questions.



World Renew Gift Catalogs are available on the tables in the foyer. Grab one today!



You are invited to a **Pease/Bethel Joint Thanksgiving Service** hosted by Pease CRC on Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m. The service will include singing songs of praise and thanksgiving, a short message from Pastor Mark Brouwer, and a time of reflection on our blessings.

An offering will be taken for both the Rum River Life Choices Center and the local Food Pantries.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip- Chaplains bring the presence of Christ into places where people are hurting, searching, or far from home-like hospitals, prisons, schools, and military bases. This week pray for chaplains who walk alongside others in difficult moments. Talk with your family or friends about how you can be a caring presence in your own daily spaces-just as a chaplain reflects God's love wherever they are. crcna.org/Thrive

Church planting (Resonate Global Missions)- Please pray for church planting efforts in the CRCNA. May your eyes be open to opportunities God is providing to reach people with the gospel throughout North America, especially among diaspora communities. Pray that as a denomination we will be united to meet those opportunities, raising up church planters and starting new faith communities. Taken from the November 2025 Prayer Guide: crcna.org/pray

The second offerings through November will be taken as follows:

November 23- Partners in Education (CCS)

November 30- 125 Campaign

The deacons gratefully acknowledge the following receipts:

Community Christian School- \$785.00

Benevolent Fund- \$1,223.00

Gideons International- \$1,491.00

125 Campaign- \$1,262.00

October General Fund- \$35,711.70

"Thank you for your continued prayers and financial giving! We would like to remind you that our monthly budgeted giving should be approximately \$45,000. There are two very convenient ways to give your tithes and offerings: ACH giving directly from your bank account (talk to Marla Ruis), and also through the Tithe.ly giving app that can be accessed through the QR code provided. Your generous support is vital to our ministries!

Thank you, **The Deacons**

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, November 16

9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Christmas Program Practice

3:00 p.m. Cadets ONLY

Monday, November 17

1:30 p.m. Mission Society Shoebox Packing

Tuesday, November 18

5:30 p.m. Facilitator's Meeting

6:00 p.m. Shepherding Team Meeting

7:30 p.m. Elder's Meeting

Wednesday, November 19

9:00 a.m. Coffee in the Fireside Room

6:00 p.m. Coffee Break

6:30 p.m. REC Jr. 7:45 p.m. REC

Thursday, November 20

7:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Advance Notice

>Mission Society- Monday, November 24

>Congregational Meeting- Tuesday, November 25

>Thanksgiving Eve Service (with Bethel AT Pease)- Wednesday, November 26

Community Announcements

Urgent Need: Client Representative- Do you have a desire to come alongside people who are in need? The Salvation Army needs a volunteer Client Representative for Mille Lacs County residents. Right now there is one person serving 16 counties-there should be one per county. Can you help? See Beth Sumner, Sam Fradette, Keith or Keri Cook, or Dick Ritzema.

Opportunities To Serve

Sound Board Today, November 16: Jeff Hanenburg

Next Sunday, November 23: Bernie Boldt

<u>Media Today, November 16</u>: Stacy Patten <u>Next Sunday, November 23</u>: Linda Droogsma

Livestream Today, November 16: Carrie Rosenberg

Next Sunday, November 23: Dylan Moorlag

Greeters Today, November 16:

East Door: Judy Vander Linden West Door: Paul & Tammie Peterson

Next Sunday, November 23:

East Door: Duane & Karen Bouma West Door: Shirley Geurkink

<u>Ushers Today, November 16</u>:

East: Carl Veurink Center: Harly Pap

West: Laura Broberg
Next Sunday, November 23:

East: Larry Kuperus Center: Terry & Sharry Kragt

West: Duane Droogsma

Nursery Today, November 16:

Leaders: Julie Jaunich, Kristin Bierma **Helpers:** Abbie Manke, Aeli Luckhurst

Next Sunday, November 23:

Leaders: Katie Moorlag, Jenny Santema **Helpers:** Addie Bierma, Amelia Schluender Thankful for all our Blessings

Children's Church Today, November 16:

Little Lambs: "Plenty to Eat"

Leader: Haley Hemmerich **Greeter:** Ty Patnode, Amelia Schluender

Worship Center: "The Ark and a Tent for God"

Leader: Michelle Schluender **Greeter:** Kinsley Hoyez

Sunday School: Quarter 5/Unit 2/Week 4

2nd & 3rd: Julee Moorlag **4th & 5th:** Jackee Bekius

Children's Church Next Sunday, November 23:

Little Lambs: "Safe in a Basket"

Leader: Peggy Timmer **Greeter:** Josh Timmer, Molly Totzke

Worship Center: "How the Church Tells Time"

Leader: Ann Byykkonen **Greeter:** Otto Hjort

Sunday School: Quarter 5/Unit 3/Week 1

2nd & 3rd: Peggy Swenson, Mariah S. **4th & 5th:** Nicole Hoffman