

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

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We Enter God's Presence

Call to Worship

Opening Song: "Forever"

God's Greeting & Our Mutual Greeting

Song of Praise: "Offering"

Confession and Assurance

Song of Assurance: "By Grace We Have Been Saved"

Intercessory Prayer: Pastor Brad Offering received for: 1) General Fund

2) World Renew

We Hear God's Word

Children's Message: Stacy Patten

Scripture: Malachi 3:6-12

Message: What Really Matters: "Testing God"

Prayer of Application

Song of Application: "Goodness of God"

We Depart with God's Blessing

God's Parting Blessing Parting Song: "Freely, Freely"



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.



As we gather today, may you sense and know the unifying grace of Jesus as we worship our Triune God. Welcome!

This morning Pastor Brad begins his sermon series, What Really Matters, on understanding giving, tithing & stewardship. His first message, "Testing God", comes from Malachi 3:6-12. Next week we will look to the Gospel of Luke for his message, "Life-Not Earned".

Christmas Program practice begins today in the sanctuary! The program will be during our worship service on Dec. 14!



SNL (minus Cadets!) meets this afternoon at 3:00. Please dress Kid's Club participants appropriately for outdoor play. Cadets ONLY will meet next Sunday, November 16.

SNL Adult Study- Today Pastor Brad begins a study of the Contemporary Testimony: *Our World Belongs to God*. They will meet in the Fireside Room from 3:00-4:15. Please contact him at 641-629-6684 with questions.



Our **Blood Drive** is THIS TUESDAY, and we need your help to make it a success! Visit <u>redcrossblood.org</u> or use the QR code provided to schedule your appointment! Thank you for helping save lives!

Advent Blocks have arrived, and can be picked up after church the next two Sundays. We do have a few extra sets of blocks available if you missed getting your order in. Talk to Carrie if you would like to grab an extra set!



Our **Annual Congregational Meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, November 25, at 6:30 p.m. Agendas and the 2026 Proposed Budget will be in your mailbox next Sunday. At that meeting we will also select new officebearers- 3 deacons and 3 elders. Those on the



ballot for deacon are: Josh Baas, Jennifer Elton, 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. You are encouraged to pray for these individuals and over this process in the next few weeks. To help you prepare for voting on new officebearers, information about each nominee has been compiled. If you are interested, you may pick up a packet on the tables in the back of church. If you cannot be at the meting, absentee ballots will be available to you in the church office beginning next Sunday. Those ending their terms of service are: Deacons- Sam Fradette, Ryan Manke, & Ian Thompson; Elders-Doug Brink, Byron Byker, & Julee Moorlag.

Men's Timeout meets on Saturday, November 15, from 8-9 AM. Featured speaker is Jason Sharp, Sr. Vice President of Media for Northwestern University Media's properties and brands (including 98.5 KTIS). After you've shot your deer, come for an awesome breakfast and hear about how the gospel is being shared at Northwestern!

Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes are still available for you in the Fireside Room. Take one to fill at home and return, or simply drop off your supplies or monetary donations by November 16. The ladies of the Mission Society thank you for your support!





Ready to ring? The **Salvation Army's** 'Register to Ring' link (<u>www.registertoring.com</u>) is up and running-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.

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.

Our Church Family

We extend our sympathy **Vonda Terpstra** and her family in the passing of **Bud** this past Monday. His funeral took place on Friday. Please keep Bud's family in your prayers.

Please keep **Suzie Vedders** in prayer as she anticipates upcoming heart tests.

Pray for our **Administrative Team** as they meet this Tuesday to prepare for our annual meeting and for the new year coming!

The flowers on the pulpit this morning have been placed in loving memory of **Carol Kiel**, who passed away on November 9, 2018.

"Thank you all for kind words, well wishes, and prayers regarding my hip surgery. Everything went well because the Great Physician was overseeing it all."

~Don Kiel

Thank you to the Red and Yellow shepherding groups for providing a delicious **Family Fellowship Meal** last Sunday!

Thrive Faith Formation Tip- Today is the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. Every day, millions of Christians around the world face persecution for their faith. Use the Open Doors International website opendoors.org) to learn about the top five to ten countries in the world where Christians are persecuted. Then take time each day this week to pray for Christians living in one of those countries. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

World Renew (Disaster Response Services)- Lord, we lift up the volunteer teams serving this month in Windsor, N.C. and Sarasota, FL as they repair homes damaged by past storms-including Hurricanes Milton and Helene-may their work and their presence help to bring healing and hope. Please provide comfort and restoration for all the families facing the results of these disasters. Taken from the November 2025 Prayer Guide: crcna.org/pray

The second offerings through November will be taken as follows:

November 16- Perrin Werner Missionary Ministry November 23- Partners in Education (CCS) November 30- 125 Campaign

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, November 9

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

3:00 p.m. SNL (NO Cadets)

Monday, November 10

1:30 p.m. Mission Society

Tuesday, November 11

8:00 a.m. Women's Crafting Group

12:00 p.m. Blood Drive

4:30 p.m. Administrative Team Meeting

Wednesday, November 12

10:30 a.m. Senior Bible Study

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

Thursday, November 13

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

Saturday, November 15

8:00 a.m. Men's Timeout

Advance Notice

>Cadets (ONLY) Meet-Sunday, November 16

>Mission Society Shoebox Packing- Monday, November 17

>Facilitators and Shepherding Team Meeting- Tuesday, November 18

>Elders Meeting- Tuesday, November 18

>Coffee Break- Wednesday, November 19

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

>Congregational Meeting- Tuesday, November 25

Community Announcements

On Tuesday, November 11, Milaca High School will host their annual **Veterans Day Program** at 1:00 p.m. in the Main Gym.



Opportunities To Serve

Sound Board Today, November 9: Ryan Swanson

Next Sunday, November 16: Jeff Hanenburg

<u>Media Today, November 9</u>: Linda Droogsma <u>Next Sunday, November 16</u>: Stacy Patten

<u>Livestream Today, November 9</u>: Sam Fradette <u>Next Sunday, November 16</u>: Carrie Rosenberg

Greeters Today, November 9:

East Door: Alan & Ruth Ann Kragt West Door: Jerry & Peggy Baas

Next Sunday, November 16:

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

Ushers Today, November 9:

East: Mitch & Edie Kuperus Center: John & Carol Teeler

West: George Droogsma **Next Sunday, November 16:**

East: Carl Veurink Center: Harly Pap

West: Laura Broberg

Nursery Today, November 9:

Leaders: Carrie Luckhurst, Morgan Kvien **Helpers:** Wilfred Bekius, Annika Kiel

Next Sunday, November 16:

Leaders: Julie Jaunich, Kristin Bierma **Helpers:** Abbie Manke, Amelia Schluender

Thankful for all our Elessings

Children's Church Today, November 9:

Little Lambs: "Two Coats for Joseph"

Leader: Debbie Vedders **Greeter:** Aeli Luckhurst, Keslyn Hoyez

Worship Center: "The Promised Land"

Leader: Haley Hemmerich **Greeter:** Ava Patnode

Sunday School: Quarter 5/Unit 2/Week 3

2nd & 3rd: Bailey Ash, Heather Van Zee **4th & 5th:** Bonnie Ash

Children's Church Next Sunday, 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