

WELCOME TO AVERY STREET CHURCH! We greet those who are visiting with us today in the name of our Lord and Savior. Please join us for coffee after the service. Our Pastor and the greeting Elder are available to answer any questions you may have. For more information about the Christian Reformed Church visit our website at www.ascrc.org

THIS WEEK

Scripture: Ecclesiastes 2:24-25
Colossians 3:23-24

Message: "Finding Joy in Our Work"



NEXT WEEK

Scripture: 1 Kings 19:1-21
2 Kings 2:1-18

Message: "Passing the Baton"

MINISTRIES FOR AVERY STREET CHURCH HOSPITALITY

Greeting Elder
Gloria Ranney

North Door Elder
Ed VanderLeest

Offertory Deacon
Sue Brownell

Greeters: Bill and Brandon Nelson

Ushers: Cal & Anne Hulstein

Coffee Servers: This week: Dave & April Piela

Next Week: Mary Lou Powers and Tami Pugrab



Children's Worship: Heather Brindisi and Brooke Nelson

*** * * NURSERY * * ***

A nursery is available during the worship service. The nursery is located in the north hall of this building. Electronic pagers are available and will vibrate if it should become necessary for a parent to come to the nursery. For parents with small children, we also offer a "cry room" in which you can see and hear worship and feel more comfortable should your child become fussy during worship. It is located near the corner with the sound and visual equipment.

*** * * AUDIO EQUIPMENT * * ***

A voice copy of the sermon is available on the church website at ascrc.org. CD copies are available as well. See Rich O'Neill or email him at roneill28@cox.net. Please specify sermon or service. Copies are ready the following week but can also be expedited if necessary. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: We give our Christian sympathy to Kristy Culpepper and her family in the death of her father, Fran Mascaro, on August 26. *“We pray that our God will put His arms of love and grace around you as you mourn the passing of your father. May He lighten your sorrow with the knowledge that he is now rejoicing in the presence of Jesus, his Lord and Savior.”*

BOOK CLUB: Book Club will meet Friday, September 29, at 7:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Dave Hiskes will lead the discussion on the book For the Glory: Eric Liddell’s Journey from Olympic Champion to Modern Martyr by Duncan Hamilton. Have you seen the movie, *Chariots of Fire*, about Eric Liddell? Refreshments will be provided by Mike and Jean Ohliger. Everyone is invited. Contact Anne Hulstein for more information.

WEDNESDAYS FOR WOMEN invites you to join us for coffee and refreshments on Wednesday, September 13th, from 10:00 to 11:30 AM in Fellowship Hall. We hope you will join us for some good conversation and warm fellowship as we restart and refresh this fine ministry! Please feel free to contact Sue Lapierre with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE: September 18 at 7:00 PM in the fellowship hall – evening Coffee Break Bible study for all women. More details next week.

DINNERS FOR EIGHT: The “Dinners for Eight” program is being planned again for this church year. The three months of October, February and March have been selected to hold these events. These dinners are a great opportunity for fellowship and for getting to know better some people who you may not know as well as you would like. Please give some thought to participating in these dinners which have proven to be a great success in the past. More details and sign-up sheets will be made available in the near future.



GriefShare offers help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, parent, family member or friend. GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help you through the difficult days ahead. If you or someone you know has experienced the loss of a loved one, recently or in the past, come to GriefShare. It is a thirteen week seminar which includes a video each week, discussion and a workbook for encouragement. GriefShare starts September 10 from 4:00-5:30 PM in the fellowship hall. For more information, call the church office (860-644-2731) or contact Marg Christians, Judith Collar, Sandra Dominguez or Gloria Ranney.

WEEKEND EVENT AT THE CHURCH

UPCOMING EVENT: Mark your calendars for Sept 22nd - 24th for the Mark Gordon Fee event *First Loved to Love* weekend at the church:

Do you want to go from having God’s love as a data point in your head to a personal and tangible experience in your heart? *First Loved Ministries* invites you to experience God’s love up close and personal, as the disciples experienced through Jesus. Discover how to be loved more deeply by God through intimate worship and His Word spoken to you as love language. Cost: \$20.00 per person, \$30.00 per couple (for materials/meals). Scholarships are available. A love offering will be taken at the program’s conclusion to support the ministry.

For more information visit www.firstlovedministries.org

Friday 9/22 (7:00-10:00pm)

Saturday 9/23 (8:30am-5:30pm)

Mark will preach on Sunday 9/24.

Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please sign up as soon as possible as the number of attendees will be limited.

Please see Toby Lewis if you have any interest or questions.

Dear friends at Avery Street,

We felt overwhelmed by your love this past week as we received the prayer shawl hand crafted by you. Thank you for your love and your prayers.

Indeed there are times of discouragement in this whole process. It is good to know that we are covered with the prayers of God's saints.

And thank you for the reminder that God still works miracles in our lives. Jeremiah 32:27 is still true: "I am the Lord, the God of all mankind. Is anything too hard for me?"

Cordially,

Tim and Wilma Palmer

CALLING ALL ANGELS! We are trying to reestablish the Prayer Shawl / Blanket of Prayer Ministry. If you are a knitter, we *especially* need you! If you do not knit, but would still like to take part in this ministry, we will happily be accepting donations of yarn, tissue paper and gift bags. If you know of a need for a Prayer Shawl or Blanket of Prayer, please contact Ariana Lewis. Any other questions or suggestions, please contact Chris Kloter or Damaris Torres. There will be a sign up sheet and more information at the Ministry Fair!

This Week's Calendar

Sunday 9/3/17	9:30 AM (7:30) PM	Worship Service (N/A) (FH)
Monday		
Labor Day		
Tuesday	7:00 PM (5:00-10:00 PM)	Council (Admin) (MRPF)(Church)
Wednesday	8:30AM	Men's Life (Emeralds)
Thursday	6:45 AM	Man-to-Man (FH)
Friday	6:30-7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study (Admin)
Saturday	Ministry Fair Set-up	All Day (FH)

Next Week's Calendar

Sunday 9/10/17	9:15 AM 10:30 AM	Children's Sunday School Worship Service Ministry Fair Missions Team Meeting
	4:00 PM (7:30) PM	GriefShare (FH) (NA)(FH)
Tuesday	7:00 PM (5:00-10:00 PM)	Shepherding Elders (Admin) (MRPF)(Church)
Wednesday	8:30 AM 10:00 AM (6:30 PM)	Men's Life (Emeralds) Wednesdays for Women (FH) (Garden Club)(FH)
Thursday	6:45 AM	Man-to-Man (FH)
Friday	6:30-7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study (Admin)
Saturday	10:00 AM	Memorial Service Fran Mascaro

IMPORTANT DATES

September 10	Return 10:30 service time Children's Sunday School 9:15 Ministry Fair
September 17	Adult Sunday School begins

CHURCH COUNCIL

Administrative Council

Elders: Cal Hulstein, President
Doug Christians, Clerk

Deacon: Kevin Crawford

Shepherding Elders and Deacons

District 1 (A-F)

Elder: Ed VanderLeest

Deacon: Sue Brownell

District 2 (G-L)

Elder: Gloria Ranney

Deacon: Chuck Hulstein

District 3 (M-Ra)

Elder: Barry Priest

(Secretary Shepherding Elders)

Deacon: Sandra Dominguez

District 4 (Re-Z)

Elder: Toby Lewis

(V.P. Shepherding Elders)

Deacon: Annie Rentz

MINISTRY MANAGEMENT TEAM

Elder Doug Christians, Chair

Chris Kloter, Adult Ministries Team Leader

Jean Ohliger, Children/Youth Team Leader

Dave Hiskes, Support Ministries Team Leader

John Drohan, Worship Ministries Team Leader

Mike Ohliger, Congregational Life Team Leader

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Dave Poolman (644-2731)

Church Secretary: Bev Kaldy (644-2731)

Custodian: Randy Wiggins & Michael May

Treasurer: Shirley Mannheim

Sonshine Ministry: Melanie Smedley

Rides Coordinator: Lucy Berghuis

FAITH PROMISE MISSIONARIES

Jim & Josephine Zylstra, Tanzania

Rev. Timothy & Wilma Palmer, Nigeria

Jermayne & Meredith Chapman, Indianapolis, Indiana

Bruce & Pam Johnson, Japan

MISSION STATEMENT

Avery Street Christian Reformed Church seeks to be a church of obedient Disciples of Jesus making obedient Disciples of Jesus.

VISION STATEMENT

Avery Street Christian Reformed Church is committed to fulfilling Jesus' command as expressed in the Great Commission: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

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