

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: Acts 2:42-47; 4:32-35
Message: "Church Matters (III): A Place for Friendship"

NEXT WEEK - Missions Emphasis Sunday

Rev. Harold Lopian, pastor of the Indonesian CRC in Dover, NH will bring us the message.

MINISTRIES FOR AVERY STREET CHURCH HOSPITALITY

Greeting Elder
Cal Hulstein

North Door Elder
Gloria Ranney

Offertory Deacon
Sue Brownell

Greeters: Paula Raymond and Judith Collar
Ushers: Merrill and Chris Kloter

Coffee Servers: This week: Barry Priest and Gloria Ranney
Next Week: Ron and Judy Straayer



Children's Worship: Dave Hiskes and Sharon Satalino

*** * * 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.

10/8/17
9:15 AM
Sunday School
Page Volunteer

10/8/17
10:30 AM
Worship Service
Chris Kloter
Shaelyn Nelson
(Judy Straayer on call
infants)

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Sunday School
Page Volunteer

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Worship Service
Melanie Smedley
Ariana Lewis
(Melanie Fopma on call
infants)

*** * * 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 Steve and Ella Scott as they mourn the passing of Ella's brother, Al, on October 4. *"We pray that our God will put His arms of love and grace around you as you mourn the passing of your brother. May He lighten your sorrow with the knowledge that he is now rejoicing in the presence of Jesus, his Lord and Savior."*

NEW MEMBERS: Our church council is thankful to announce that Lori Johnson and Mike May have each completed a New Member's Class and have met with the council to share their faith stories and testimonies. This morning we have the opportunity to officially welcome Lori and Mike as full members of Avery Street Church!

MISSIONS REPORT: This morning James and Kelli Poolman will also give a brief report about their mission trip to Costa Rica this past summer.

PASTOR DAVE: Pastor Dave will be out of town this week Wednesday through Friday, as he mentors distance learning students at Calvin Theological Seminary. If you need pastoral care during the time he is gone, please contact your district Elder or Deacon.

WEDNESDAYS FOR WOMEN meets this week, October 11, at 10:00 AM in the church fellowship hall. We'll be making/tasting soup with Cookie Liebl. Come for a morning of fun, food and fellowship.

NEXT SUNDAY: Next week Sunday, October 15, is Missions Emphasis Sunday. Rev. Harold Lopian, pastor of the Indonesian CRC in Dover, NH, will be here with some of the members of his congregation; Rev. Lopian will also be preaching that morning.

FAITH PROMISE MISSIONS PLEDGE WEEK: Today we will hear from James and Kelli Poolman about their missions trip to Costa Rica this past summer. They were supported in part by the Faith Promise Missions Sending Out Avery Street fund. Also, in the bulletin is a pledge card explaining the Faith Promise Program and asking you to consider a pledge for this coming year. God, through you, was faithful: we received \$13,357.00 to support our missionaries last year. We are setting our goal at \$14,000.00 for next year. Please pray and consider if God wants you to pledge to support Faith Promise Missions at Avery Street Church.

On Sunday, October 15, we ask that you return your filled out pledge card in the offering plate. We will also be hearing from the Lapians, who lead a Classical Home Missions Church Plant in Dover, New Hampshire. We have been supporting them through Faith Promise for a number of years. You can read more about them on the bulletin board near the library. A second offering will be received for their ministry during the service. After the service there will be a light sandwich lunch with an in depth report from the Lapians. Please sign up on the sheet by the entryway bulletin board so we know how much food to buy.

BOOK CLUB: Friday, October 20, Pastor Dave will lead a discussion on the book *Same Kind of Different as Me* by Ron Hall, Denver Moore, and Lyn Vincent. This true story is about a dangerous homeless drifter who grew up picking cotton in virtual slavery, an upscale art dealer accustomed to the world of Armani and Chanel, and a gutsy woman with a stubborn dream--a story so incredible no novelist would dare dream it. Everyone is welcome to meet with us in the Fellowship Hall at 7:30 PM. Refreshments will be served.

FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE - Financial results for the first quarter of the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year* are displayed below.

Total General Fund Receipts Through August 2016	\$65,129
Total General Fund Expenses Through August 2016	\$76,346
Year To Date Budget Deficit	(\$11,217)

*ASCRC 2017-2018 Fiscal Year is July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.



October 8, 2017	How the death of a loved one affects your friendships
Session 5	Why solitude can be a blessing and a curse
Grief & Your Relationships	How to deal with friends who don't understand your grief

WOMEN'S RETREAT

"Be Still"

October 27-29

Lakeside Christian Camp and Retreat Center
Pittsfield, MA.

Speakers, worship, fellowship
199.00 - Scholarships are available

Register online: [Http://tinyurl.com/2017CBretreat](http://tinyurl.com/2017CBretreat)
Questions ask Ariana or Marg

This Week's Calendar

Sunday 10/8/17	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	4:00 PM	GriefShare (FH)
	(7:30) PM	(NA)(FH)
Monday	7:00 PM	NO Coffee Break
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Shepherding Elders & Deacons
	(5:00-10:00 PM)	(MRPF)(Church)
Wednesday	8:30 AM	Men's Life (Emeralds)
	10:00 AM	Wednesdays for Women (FH)
	(6:30 PM)	(Garden Club)(FH)
	7:00 PM	Choir
Thursday	6:45 AM	Man-to-Man (FH)
	9:30 AM	Coffee Break
	4:30 PM	GEMS (Room A)
Friday	6:30-7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study (Admin)

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From World Renew SHORT-TERM VOLUNTEER: - Are you 18 to 24 years old and interested in embarking on a short-term volunteer opportunity with life-long impact? World Renew's Global Volunteer Program provides opportunities to live, work, eat, and play in an international community while exploring how God wants you to use your talents and skills for His purpose. For more information, contact Andrew at globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net.

IDOP 2017 - November 5 and 12 have been designated the International Day of Prayer for the persecuted church. Join with Christians worldwide to pray for persecuted and suffering believers in Jesus Christ. "Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering" (Hebrews 13:3). To learn more, check out Voice of the Martyrs (www.persecution.com/), the Office of Social Justice (justice.crcna.org/religious-persecution), or another site committed to praying for our sisters and brothers around the globe.

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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