

**W**ELCOME 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](http://www.ascrc.org)

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**THIS SUNDAY – Fourth Sunday of Lent**

Scripture: Matthew 27:45-49  
Message: “The Cry of Mystery”



**NEXT SUNDAY – Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Scripture: John 19:28  
Message: “The Cry of Human Need”

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**MINISTRIES FOR AVERY STREET CHURCH HOSPITALITY**

Praying Elder  
Tony Liebl

North Door Elder  
David Van Deusen

Offertory Deacon  
Kevin Crawford

**Greeters:** Jim & Sue Brownell  
**Ushers:** Cal & Anne Hulstein



**Children’s Worship:** Elisabeth Winkel and Drew Smedley

**\* \* \* 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.

3/11/18 & 3/18/18  
**9:15 AM**  
Sunday School  
Page Volunteer

3/11/18  
**10:30 AM**  
Worship Service  
Melanie Fopma  
Kelli Poolman  
(Lois Hibma on call  
infants)

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**10:30 AM**  
Worship Service  
Elisabeth Winkel  
Teresa VanderLeest  
(Chris Kloter on call  
infants)

**\* \* \* AUDIO EQUIPMENT \* \* \***

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PUERTO RICO AND HONDURAS MISSION TRIP REPORT:** Today during our **Lenten Soup Lunch**, Dave and Rose Hiskes will be giving a brief, twenty-minute report about their recent mission trips to Puerto Rico and Honduras. Don't miss it!

**WITH THANKS TO THE LORD:** Donna and I give thanks to the Lord for the births of two new grandchildren. God blessed David and Anna (in Ireland) with the birth of Alexander William Kiernan on December 21, 2017. He was 10 lbs, 1 oz. God blessed Peter and Kristin (upstate New York) with the birth of Micah Jonathan Lion on February 9, 2018. He was 6 lbs, 14 oz. Both babies and their mothers are doing well. We pray that both boys will grow into Holy Spirit-powered servants of Jesus and that they will serve Him all their days. Pastor Jerry and Donna Lion

**GRIEFSHARE:** We have a young mother coming to GriefShare who has four children. We are looking for people who may be willing to come and be in the nursery with them while she comes to GriefShare. Volunteers would take turns from 4:00-5:30 on Sunday afternoons. We have three volunteers and could use a few more. There will always be two people in the nursery so no one would be alone. If you feel that you can help out this mom, please contact Gloria Ranney.

**RENEWAL LAB DAILY BIBLE READINGS:** There is an insert in today's bulletin with the readings for this coming week. We continue with Ephesians, and will move on to Colossians after that.

**BOOK CLUB:** Book Club will meet on Friday, March 23, at 7:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Gloria Ranney will lead the discussion on the book, The Mark of the King, by Jocelyn Green. After being imprisoned and branded for the death of her client, twenty-five-year old midwife Julianne Chevalier trades her life sentence for exile to the fledgling 1720's French colony of Louisiana, where she hopes to be reunited with her brother, serving there as a soldier. To make the journey, though, women must be married, and Juliana is forced to wed a fellow convict.

Refreshments will be provided by Lucy Berghuis. All are invited for an interesting evening. If you have questions, phone Anne Hulstein.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** We will be purchasing flowers for the front of the church for Easter Morning. If you would like to take some flowers home after the service, they are \$5.00 each to be paid when you pick them up. There will be hyacinths, daffodils, lilies, and tulips.



**SAVE THE DATE - VBS:** Ahoy there! We're sailing through the year and Shipwrecked VBS will be on the horizon before you know it! Make sure to mark the dates and join us for our next adventure! Shipwrecked VBS will be **July 23-27** and we're looking for some crew members and passengers to join us!



March 11, 2018  
Session 6-Why?

God wants you to share your feelings with Him  
Why being honest with God is an expression of faith  
What God has to say to you about your "why" questions

**If you need prayer for yourself or someone you love, please come to the front of the church after the service. There will be Elders or others gifted in prayer to pray with you.**

**This Week's Calendar**

<b>Sunday 3/11/18</b>	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
		Lenten Soup (FH)
	4:00 PM	GriefShare (FH)
	(7:30 PM)	(NA)(FH)
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 PM	Coffee Break (FH)
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:00 PM	Elders & Deacons (Admin)
	7:00 PM	Children & Youth (Admin)
	(5:00-10:00 PM)	(MRPF)(Church)
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 AM	Men's Life (Emeralds)
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	7:00 PM	Choir
<b>Thursday</b>	6:45 AM	Man-to-Man (FH)
	9:30 AM	Coffee Break
	4:30 PM	GEMS (Room A)
<b>Friday</b>	6:30-7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study (Admin)

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**NEWS FROM OUR DENOMINATION:**

**From Calvin College**

CALVIN ALUMNI TRAVEL PROGRAM - The Calvin Alumni Association's travel program, which is co-sponsored by the Calvin Academy of Lifelong Learning, is open to Calvin alumni and friends. Each trip is uniquely planned by a member of Calvin's faculty or staff or by trusted alumni, and is an experience woven with education and faith. Upcoming trips include the Canadian Rockies and South Africa. For more information, visit [calvin.edu/go/travel](http://calvin.edu/go/travel)

**From Calvin Theological Seminary**

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Greece - (Oct 4-16, 2018) Travel by motor coach (8 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to sites connected with Paul's second and third missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or [weimje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:weimje@calvinseminary.edu).