

**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**

Scripture: Galatians 4:4-5  
Message: "Perfect Timing"



**NEXT SUNDAY**

Scripture: Luke 2:1-20  
Message: "God at the Kitchen Table"

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**MINISTRIES FOR AVERY STREET CHURCH HOSPITALITY**

Praying Elder  
Cal Hulstein

North Door Elder  
Gloria Ranney

Offertory Deacon  
Annie Rentz

**Greeters:** Jim & Maureen Childs  
**Ushers:** Damien & Monique Paquet



**Coffee Servers: This week:** Judith Collar and Sandra Dominguez

**Children's Worship:** Dave Hiskes and Joe Christians

**\* \* \* 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.

12/16/18 & 12/23/18  
9:15 AM  
Sunday School  
Page Volunteer

12/16/18  
10:30 AM  
Worship Service  
Elisabeth Winkel  
Brandon Nelson  
(Judy Straayer on call  
infants)

12/23/18  
10:30 AM  
Worship Service  
Michelle Hoyt  
Brooke Nelson  
(Melanie Fopma 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**

**THANK YOU:** We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to all of you for your cards, visits, words of encouragement, food gifts, and especially your prayers for us over the last month. Complete recovery will likely take many months, but we thank God for His faithfulness and for the healing that has taken place so far. God bless you all! *Pastor Dave, Deb, and family*

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** There will be a brief congregational meeting after the service today. At this meeting we will select one shepherding elder and one shepherding deacon. For elder, Cathy Cerrigione and Bill Nelson have agreed to stand in nomination and for deacon, Joy Ferwerda and Henry Huizinga have agreed to stand in nomination. If you are unable to stay for the meeting, absentee ballots are available. When filling out your ballot, vote for each of the candidates you believe are qualified to serve. Put your ballot in the envelope and sign the envelope. Selection of the elder and deacon will be by lot from those who have received a majority of the votes. We thank elder Ed VanderLeest and deacon Annie Rentz for their service. There will be a brief update on the before and after school program at this meeting as well.

**CHRISTMAS PAGEANT:** **Tonight at 6:00 PM** our Sunday School will present its annual Christmas Pageant. Come one! Come all! Celebrating the pageant with our Sunday School children says to them how much we love them, how important they are to us. Celebrating together also helps us build our Christian Community here at ASC as well as helping to build obedient disciples of Jesus. So even if you don't have your own children or grandchildren in the pageant, please come! And invite friends to join in the joy of our Christmas fun! A cookie reception will follow.

**OUR MISSIONARIES:** Remember our missionaries during Christmas. During the coffee hour December 16, Christmas cards will be available for you to send a greeting to our missionaries in China, Japan, Africa, Florida and New England. Many of them are far from family and friends and this time of year is especially hard for them. Come to the table in the fellowship hall during coffee.

**CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE:** Our annual **Christmas Eve Candlelight** service will be held on Monday, December 24, at 6:00 p.m.

**YANKEE SWAP DINNER:** The sign-up sheet for the **YANKEE SWAP** dinner on January 12<sup>th</sup> should be in the narthex today. We are looking for appetizers, main courses and desserts and are asking each family/couple/individual who signs up to bring two of those items. FYI – the Congregational Life Ministry will be providing a spiral ham to the dinner. Looking forward to the event!

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS:** The **Renewal Lab Daily Bible Readings** will resume after the first of the year.



**This Week's Calendar**

<b>Sunday 12/16/18</b>	9:15 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service Congregational Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:00 PM 7:00 PM (5:00-10:00 PM)	Sunday School Christmas Pageant MMT (Admin) (MRPF)(Church)
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 AM	Men's Life (Emeralds)
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 PM	Choir
<b>Friday</b>	6:45 AM 6:30-7:30 AM	Man-to-Man (FH) Men's Bible Study (Admin)

**Next Week's Calendar**

<b>Sunday 12/23/18</b>	9:15 AM 10:30 AM (5:00 PM)	Sunday School Worship Service (NA Christmas Party)(FH)
<b>Monday</b>	6:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service
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**CHURCH COUNCIL**

**Administrative Council**

**Elders:** Cal Hulstein, President  
Steve Zielinski, 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: John Hibma

**District 3 (M-Ra)**

Elder: David Van Deusen

Deacon: Sandra Dominguez

**District 4 (Re-Z)**

Elder: Tony Liebl

Deacon: Annie Rentz

**MINISTRY MANAGEMENT TEAM**

Elder Steve Zielinski, Chair

Carol Drohan, 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:** Doug Christians

**Sonshine Ministry:** Carol Hulstein

**Rides Coordinator:** Lucy Berghuis

**FAITH PROMISE MISSIONARIES**

Jermaine & Meredith Chapman, Orlando, Florida

Bruce & Pam Johnson, Japan

Jim & Josephine Zylstra, Tanzania

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**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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