

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 SUNDAY

Scripture: Joshua 24
Message: "Home Improvement (I): "As for Me..."



NEXT SUNDAY

Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:4-9
Message: "Home Improvement (II): Vision"

MINISTRIES FOR AVERY STREET CHURCH HOSPITALITY

Praying Elder
Gloria Ranney

North Door Elder
Bill Nelson

Offertory Deacon
Sandra Dominguez

Coffee Servers: **This Week:** Kathy Dzen and Dawn Faber
 Next Week: Peter & Joy Ferwerda



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.

1/13/19 & 1/20/19
9:15 AM
Sunday School
Page Volunteer

1/13/19
10:30 AM
Worship Service
Eric Rentz
Annie Rentz
(Teresa VanderLeest
on call infants)

1/20/19
10:30 AM
Worship Service
Melanie Smedley
Lydia Smedley
(Daniela Gore 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

ELDER/DEACON TEAMS: Last Sunday we installed our newly-elected office-bearers, Elder **Bill Nelson** and Deacon **Henry Huizinga**. Here are the new Elder/Deacon teams:

District #1 (A-F): Elder Bill Nelson and Deacon Sue Brownell

District #2 (G-L): Elder Gloria Ranney and Deacon John Hibma

District #3 (M-Ra): Elder David VanDeusen and Deacon Sandra Dominguez

District #4 (Re-Z): Elder Tony Liebl and Deacon Henry Huizinga

BAPTISM: Next week Sunday morning, January 20, we plan to witness the baptism of **Kira Morgan Piela**, daughter of **David and April Piela**.

January Prayer Challenge: We ordinarily have a Sunday afternoon prayer meeting on the first Sunday of each month. However, this month our prayer challenge is for all of us to take time to pray specifically for the families on our street or in our neighborhood at least three times each week through the end of the month. Pray for marriages and families, for known and unknown needs, for children and those who are older, for opportunities to meet or help those you don't know, and for "divine appointments" to share your faith or invite those without a church home to come with you to Avery Street. This is in line with our participation in the Church Renewal Lab, because it is crucial for us to know the needs of people around us in order to serve them in Christ's name. Thank you in advance for your willingness to pray for God to bless and touch the lives of those who live near you!

FROM OUR MISSIONARY: Blessings in the new year and thank you for the thoughtful Christmas card. Please greet the church for us and say again how thankful we are for your partnership. Lord willing we'll be seeing you in 2019 and we look forward to worshiping and fellowshiping together. Another year closer to His return! May He find us ever vigilant and faithful, *Bruce & Pam Johnson, Hiroshima, Japan*

NEW ELDER/DEACON ASSIGNMENTS: An updated Elder/Deacon District Assignment list is in your mailboxes. This should be kept with the November 2018 directory.

JANUARY SERIES: The January Series continues this coming week with the following speakers:

Monday, January 14 - Nicholas Kristof - *Lessons from 30 Years of Covering the World*

Tuesday, January 15 - Leland Melvin - *Chasing Space: An Astronaut's Story of Grit, Grace, and Second Chances*

Wednesday, January 16 - William Powers - *Sustainability, Happiness and the "Slow" Movement*

Thursday, January 17 - Erik W. Carter - *Incomplete Without You: The Church and People with Disabilities*

Friday, January 18 – Ruth Carter - *The Art of Storytelling Through Costume Design*

On Wednesday, January 16, Mike Ohliger will once again provide the listening group with one of his wonderful lunches. Come at 12 noon and enjoy. All lectures start at 12:30 PM and end by 1:30 PM. Bring your lunch or enjoy the refreshments provided.

BOOK CLUB: Book Club will be held on Friday, January 25, at 7:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Martin Luther by Eric Metaxas tells the searing tale of a humble man who, by bringing ugly truths to the highest seats of power, caused the explosion whose sound is still ringing in our ears. Luther's monumental faith and courage gave birth to the ideals of liberty, equality, and individualism that today lie at the heart of all modern life. Cal Hulstein will lead the discussion. Heather Brindisi will provide refreshments. All are welcome to join us for the evening.

This Week's Calendar

Sunday 1/13/19	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	(6:00 PM)	(N/A)(Room A)
	(7:30 PM)	(N/A)(FH)
Monday	12:30-1:30 PM	January Series (FH)
Tuesday	12:30-1:30 PM	January Series (FH)
	7:00 PM	Shepherding Elders & Deacons (Admin)
Wednesday	(5:00-10:00 PM)	(MRPF)(Church)
	8:30 AM	Men's Life (Emeralds)
	12:30-1:30 PM	January Series (FH)
Thursday	7:00 PM	Choir
	6:45 AM	Man-to-Man (FH)
	12:30-1:30 PM	January Series (FH)
Friday	4:30 PM	GEMS (Room A)
	6:30-7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study (Admin)
	12:30-1:30 PM	January Series (FH)

Next Week's Calendar

Sunday 1/20/19	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	(6:00 PM)	Children & Youth Mtg. (N/A)(Room A)
	(7:30 PM)	(N/A)(FH)
Monday	12:30-1:30 PM	January Series (FH)
Tuesday	12:30-1:30 PM	January Series (FH)
	7:00 PM	Council (Admin)
Wednesday	(5:00-10:00 PM)	(MRPF)(Church)
	8:30 AM	Men's Life (Emeralds)
	12:30-1:30 PM	January Series (FH)
Thursday	(6:00 PM)	(Garden Club) (FH)
	7:00 PM	Choir
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From CRC Communications

Help is Only a Call, Click, or Chat Away - We're making it easier for you and your church to access CRC resources. If you're involved in a church ministry and wonder if your denomination can help with something, just CALL (800-272-5125), CLICK (www.crcna.org/Resources), or CHAT (from any page on www.crcna.org). We're here to serve, and would love to connect you with people and resources to support your ministry.

From World Renew

Global Church Partnerships: - Are you seeking an opportunity to develop in-depth relationships with other Christians, locally and internationally? World Renew helps churches to develop committed church-to-church relationships that enrich lives within a congregation -- and provide long-term, two-way support between churches. Join World Renew to partner with churches worldwide and further God's kingdom! Contact Andrew at globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net for more information.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Administrative Council

Elders: Cal Hulstein, President
Steve Zielinski, Clerk

Deacon: Kevin Crawford

Shepherding Elders and Deacons

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Elder: Bill Nelson

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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

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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