

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: Numbers 13:36-14:9
Message: Facing Our Fears (I): The Problem of Fear



NEXT SUNDAY

Scripture: Matthew 8:23-27
Message: Facing Our Fears (II): Fear of Uncertainty

MINISTRIES FOR AVERY STREET CHURCH HOSPITALITY

Praying Elder
Gloria Ranney

North Door Elder
Joy Ferwerda

Offertory Deacon
Eric Rentz



Coffee Servers: **This Week:** Tom and Bev Kaldy
 Next Week: Merrill and Chris Kloter

Children's Worship: Anna and Neal Hulstein

*** * * NURSERY * * ***

3/1/20
10:30 AM
Worship Service
Damaris and Beatrice Torres
Riziki O'Neill
(Ariana Lewis on call infants)

3/8/20
10:30 AM
Worship Service
Judy Straayer
Amy Marcos
Larissa Wiggins
(Chris Kloter on call infants)

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

LENT: Today is the first Sunday of **Lent**, the season of the church year which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Easter Sunday. Christians have traditionally used this time to examine their lives, repent of sin, and remember the implications of Jesus' death and resurrection. We encourage everyone to take time during the coming weeks to take time to reflect and prepare their hearts and minds for Good Friday and Easter.

Next week Sunday morning, March 8, we will celebrate the **Lord's Supper** together as part of our worship on the first Sunday of a new year. Please be sure to take time this week for prayer and spiritual preparation, so that you come ready to participate in the sacrament in a God-honoring way (1 Corinthians 11:23-29).

MISSIONARIES VISIT: Today Brandon and Ashley Wilson will be telling us about their ministry at UConn through the Navigators. There will be a Giving Basket in the narthex for personal donations to provide additional financial help.

PRAYER SERVICE TODAY MARCH 1: We'll be holding a prayer service here this evening from 7:00-8:00 pm. Our focus for the service will be on prayer for the following: needs within the ASC body, requests and needs submitted by our missionaries and prayers for our leadership, the CRL process, and our prayer ministry. We invite all to join us for this prayer service. *ASC Prayer Team*

PASTORAL CARE: Pastor Dave will be in Michigan this coming Tuesday through Thursday, March 3-5, to mentor distance learning students at Calvin Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids. He expects to return home late Thursday night.

Then, on Friday and Saturday, Pastor Dave and Elder Gloria Ranney will be our delegates to the meeting of **Classis Atlantic Northeast**, the regional group of Christian Reformed churches of which Avery Street is a member, as it meets in regular session on Friday and Saturday, March 6-7, at Lakeside Christian Conference Center in Pittsfield, MA. Pray that God will guide our classis as it works together for God's glory and the growth of His kingdom.

If you need pastoral care while Pastor Dave is gone, please contact your district Elder or Deacon:

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

District #2 (G-L): Elder Gloria Ranney and Deacon Eric Rentz

District #3 (M-Ra): Elder David Van Deusen and Deacon Sandy James

District #4 (Re-Z): Elder Joy Ferwerda and Deacon Henry Huizinga

Got a NEED? God Listens: Mmm, wondering about the weird sign we have along Avery St?? The one with the QR symbol on it? Yep, that is from us. And if you've used your smart phone camera on it, you've been routed to the ASC website and our prayer portal. You can now submit prayer requests to the ASC prayer ministry and these, in turn, will be lifted up in prayer. We are hoping that this is a potential bridge that can link ASC to our community by offering our willingness to shared needs/concerns/praises in prayer to our great God. And if you'd like to know more, please contact one of us. *ASC Prayer Team* (Joy Ferwerda, David Van Deusen, Chris Kloter, Ron Straayer)

LUNCH BUNCH: The Lunch Bunch will enjoy a lunch at The Vernon Diner in Vernon on Thursday, March 5, at 12:30 PM. All retirees or other mature adults are invited. Please let Cal Hulstein know by March 3, at calhulstein@cox.net if you would like to attend.



March 1, 2020

Session 5-Grief & Your Relationships

How the death of a loved one affects your friendships
 Why solitude can be a blessing and a curse
 How to deal with friends who don't understand your grief



NEXT WEEKEND, MARCH 8

This Week's Calendar

Sunday 3/1/20	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
		Lenten Soup (FH)
	4:00 PM	GriefShare (FH)
	(6:00 PM)	(N/A)(Room A)
	7:00-8:00 PM	Prayer Meeting (Sanctuary)
	(7:30 PM)	(N/A)(FH)
Monday	7:00 PM	Coffee Break
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Admin (Admin)
	(5:00-10:00 PM)	(MRPH)
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Men's Life (Emeralds)
	7:00 PM	Choir
Thursday	6:45 AM	Man-to-Man (FH)
	9:30 AM	Coffee Break
	4:30 PM	GEMS (Room A)
	7:00 PM	Worship Planning (Admin)
Friday	6:30-7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study (Admin)

Next Week's Calendar

Sunday 3/8/20	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	4:00 PM	GriefShare (FH)
	(6:00 PM)	(N/A)(Room A)
	(7:30 PM)	(N/A)(FH)
Monday	11:30 AM-12:30 PM	Bible Study (Room A)
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Coffee Break (FH)
	7:00 PM	Elders & Deacons (Admin)
	(5:00-10:00 PM)	(MRPH)
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FAITH PROMISE MISSIONARIES

Jermayne & Meredith Chapman, Orlando, Florida
Ryan Goding, Farmington, ME
Bruce & Pam Johnson, Japan
Harold & Deibi Lappian, Dover, NH
Brandon & Ashley Wilson, Storrs, CT
Jim & Josephine Zylstra, Tanzania

MISSION STATEMENT

Avery Street Christian Reformed Church seeks to be a church that loves Jesus and loves our neighbors.

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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