

Christian Reformed Church of Pease January 19, 2025 - 9:30 A.M

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Mr. Dick Ahlberg

We Enter God's Presence

Moment of Silence Call to Worship

Opening Song: "The Heart of Worship" God's Greeting & Our Mutual Greeting Songs of Praise: "My God, How Wonderful You Are"

"All Who are Thirsty"

Confession and Assurance

Song of Response: "Your Grace is Enough"

Intercessory Prayer: Byron Byker

Our Gifts: 1) General Fund

2) Rum River Life Choices Center

We Hear God's Word

Children's Message: Stacy Patten Scripture: Isaiah 55:1-13

Message: **"The Greatest Invitation Ever"**Song of Application: *"Seek Ye First"*

We Depart with God's Blessing

God's Parting Blessing Closing Song: "Trees of the Field"



Sermon Notes

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

- If you're a visitor with us, we welcome you in the name of Christ and invite you to fill out the card in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. We would love to reach out to you and get to know you better!
- Nursery care for infants through age two, as well as Children in Worship for children ages 3-5th grade are all available during our worship service.
- Activity bags for small children are available near the office.
- Hearing enhancers are available in the Sound Booth.
- As a courtesy, please switch your cell phones off or to silent mode.



This morning we gather with Christians around the world, on the first day of the week, to praise our Triune God, who is alive and sitting on the throne. By his grace, we firmly stand on the 'level ground' of his love.

Welcome to worship!

This morning we welcome **Mr. Dick Ahlberg** to share God's word with us from Isaiah 55 with his message, "The Greatest Invitation Ever".

Next week, **Pastor Travis Deur** joins us from Faith CRC in New Brighton with a message from the book of Matthew chapter 5.

Today we are marking **Sanctity of Life Sunday**, in which we remember the plight of the unborn. As the topic of abortion continues to be debated across the country, we realize we need to continue to pray for and support organizations like **Rum River**

Life Choices Center, who come alongside expectant mothers and families to support them. May we continue to lovingly advocate for those who can't advocate for themselves.

Men's Timeout is this Saturday! Please plan to come for a delicious breakfast and featured speaker, MN. House Representative Bryan Lawrence on Saturday, January 25, at 8:00 a.m.





The deacons would like to report that a total of \$15,974 was donated to **Perrin Werner's missionary ministry in Japan** last year through tithes and second offerings, and that the total amount needed for our **Stained Glass Window Repair** project has been raised! Thank you for your continued generosity!

Our Church Family

We wish a very happy birthday to **Elroy Hanenburg**, celebrating 94 years on Monday, January 20!

"I want to thank everyone for the many, many Christmas cards received. I also want to extend my heartfelt thanks for the many birthday cards and bouquets of flowers I received. I am truly blessed with such a loving and caring church family."

~Jean Droogsma

Elroy Hanenburg would like to thank his church family for the Christmas cards that he received over the holiday season.

"I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, and lots of help after my accident. My recovery is almost complete. God is good, all the time."

~Jeff Hanenburg

Tomorrow afternoon, leaders of our committees and teams will come together for a **Leadership Roundtable** to allow time for communication between teams, and to look forward to a new year of ministry and leadership. Please pray that their conversations will be effective and spirit-filled!

Please be in prayer for the **Shepherding Team**, as they meet tomorrow evening.

A table has been placed in the Narthex with pages to note any contact information **changes to our directory**. Church staff would like to publish a new one the first week or two of February. All changes should be emailed to the office or written on these sheets by Monday, January 27.

Second offerings through the month of February will be received as follows:

1/26– 125 Campaign
2/2– Community Christian School
2/9– Benevolent Fund
2/16– Cadets
2/23– 125 Campaign

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, January 19

9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship

Monday, January 20

4:00 p.m. Leadership Roundtable5:30 p.m. Facilitators Meeting6:00 p.m. Shepherding Meeting

7:30 p.m. Elders Meeting

Wednesday, January 22

10:30 a.m. Senior Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Coffee Break

6:30 p.m. REC Jr. 7:45 p.m. REC

Thursday, January 23

7:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Saturday, January 25

8:00 a.m. Men's Timeout

Advance Notices

>SNL: Sunday, January 26 (GEMS & Cadets group photos)

>Mission Society: Monday, January 27

>Family Fellowship Meal: Sunday, February 2 >Outreach Team Meeting: Monday, February 3

Community Announcements

CCS Auction & Dinner- Save the Date! We are excited to announce that the annual CCS Auction & Dinner will take place on Friday, April 11 at the Northern Lights Ballroom and Banquet Center in Pease! Online ticket sales will begin February 24, so stay tuned for more details. In the meantime, we are looking for donations to help make our event a success! We are gladly accepting new merchandise, goods, services, experiences (e.g. golf outing, fishing expedition, night out), or themed baskets (e.g. movie night, spring cleaning, coffee). All items must be received by March 21. Do you have an idea for a donation or want to learn more? Please contact Amy Banks at 320-369-4239 or email abanks@ccspease.com. We appreciate your continued support and prayers as we prepare for this exciting event. We look forward to seeing you on April 11!

Opportunities To Serve

Sound Board Today, January 19: Tom Patten

Next Sunday, January 26: Bernie Boldt

Media Today, January 19: Anita Hubers Next Sunday, January 26: Stacy Patten

<u>Livestream Today, January 19</u>: Dylan Moorlag

Next Sunday, January 26: Bob Sumner

Greeters Today, January 19:

East Door: Alan & Ruth Ann Kragt West Door: Jerry & Peggy Baas

Next Sunday, January 26:

East Door: Dennis & Marian Beier **West Door:** Brenda Santema

Ushers Today, January 19:

East: Morris Droogsma Center: Greg Brink

West: Den Kiel

Next Sunday, January 26:

East: Carl Veurink Center: Duane Droogsma

West: George Droogsma

Nursery Today, January 19:

Leaders: Sharon Hanenburg, Beth Sumner **Helpers:** Ava Patnode, Wilfred Bekius

Next Sunday, January 26:

Leaders: Jenny Santema, Julie Jaunich **Helpers:** Annika Kiel, Kinsley Hoyez

Children's Church Today, January 19:

<u>Little Lambs</u>: "The Greatest Gift!"

Leader: Peggy Timmer **Greeter:** Amelia Schluender

Worship Center: "The Leaven"

Leader: Michelle Schluender **Greeter:** Molly Totzke

Sunday School: Unit 1, Week 1

2nd & 3rd Leader: Julee Moorlag

4th & 5th Leader: Karlee Bemis & Cheryl Visser

Children's Church Next Sunday, January 26:

Little Lambs: "A Father's Wish"

Leader: Deb Vedders **Greeter:** Lauryn Droogsma

Worship Center: "The Sower"

Leader: Sara Swanson **Greeter:** Ava Patnode

Sunday School: Unit 1, Week 2

2nd & 3rd Leader: Peggy Swenson **4th & 5th Leader:** Nicole Hoffman

To hear more about how God is working in the hearts of His people at RRLCC, visit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KtvQGhhrVT4 to view a Client Testimony Video.



Pro-life Partners is a community of monthly givers who are making a yearround impact through their support of the Rum River Life Choices Center.

Individuals, businesses and churches make a commitment to support the mission of reaching out with truth and love to persons with needs related to sexuality, pregnancy, parenting and post-abortion trauma.

Providing free resources and services for mothers, fathers and babies means more lives saved and souls impacted for the Kingdom of God through the work of our dedicated team.

Thank you for joining our team!

- Monthly gifts can be set up in any amount and are processed automatically for your convenience.
- All donations are fully tax deductible, and you may cancel at any time.
- \$200 per month covers parenting education classes.
- \$100 per month covers an ultrasound.
- \$50 per month covers a case of diapers.
- \$10 per month covers a pregnancy test.

Ways to Donate

- Scan the QR code now to become a Pro-life Partner!
- Go to <u>rumriverforlife.org/donate</u>
- Mail your monthly check to the Milaca Office.



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