

PLEASANT VALLEY

MISSION:

"Pleasant Valley Church exists to glorify God and advance His Kingdom."

VISION:

"To guide people to become fully devoted followers of Christ Jesus."

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November 23, 2025

Speaker: Rev Jack Ritsema

Scripture: Jeremiah 23: 1-8

Message: "Good Shepherds"

- #59 - I Sing The Mighty Power of God
- #415 - He Giveth More Grace
- #462 - Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us
- #524 - It Took a Miracle

11/23/2025		11/30/2025 <i>First Sundry of Advent</i>
Rev. Jack Ritsema	SPEAKER	Rev. Rus Boersma
Calvin	PVC Assist	Pastor Rick
	Musician	Greta Cordes
Praise Team	Song Leader	Wendy
Randy & Laurie	Hospitality	Wendy & Ross

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAPPY 60TH ANNIVERSARY TO GERALD AND OPAL KRUGER

We will be setting up downstairs for Alvina Voss' funeral today after fellowship. Any and all help is appreciated.

CHRISTMAS IN GRUNDY is an opportunity to bless families **LOCALLY**. Ways you can help are volunteering, purchasing a book for yourself or a family, purchasing a gift and putting it in the collection box in the lobby OR giving a monetary donation in the designated box so the committee can purchase gifts. ALL donations need to be at church by noon on Sunday, Dec 7th at the latest. There are sheets in the back that give details on how to volunteer and desired gift ideas and how easily they can be purchased from Amazon. If you have any questions contact Denise at 319-239-8507. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF LOCAL FAMILIES. PLEASE PRAY FOR THE EVENT AND THE FAMILIES WHO PARTICIPATE.**

A Ladies Holiday Lunch - Thurs. Dec. 4th at 1 pm at the Peppercorn Pantry in Aplington. All ladies welcome! Please sign up so we know how many to plan for.

STUCO Christmas Thrift Store - They are currently taking donations of Christmas or winter themed items from Nov. 23 thru Dec.5th. Place items in the donation van behind the Outreach Center, 908 Parriott St. in Aplington. The Christmas Thrift Store will be open to shopping on Dec 5th, 5-8 pm and Dec 6th, 9 am to 4 pm.

Parkersburg Lions Club: Annual Holiday Silent Auction at the Third Street Grill downtown Parkersburg. The Auction will be from Nov. 5th through Dec. 4th. Items are located in the front dining room and back room.

Victoria Vollema will be making a medical mission trip to Cambodia in late January. Her team will be dropping by small villages offering healthcare. The cost of the trip is \$3500. If you are moved to support her, there is information on the bulletin board or please talk to Pastor Rick and Betsy.

"PRAISE AND PRAYER LIST"

PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY

"If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, pray, seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from Heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land"

Pastor Rick: Having trouble adjusting to BiPaP. Continued struggling with eating and GI issues.

Denise Akkerman: Continued prayers for healing and seeing progress to avoid discouragement. Prayers for safety in walking as she begins getting out more and wisdom for the numerous therapists and doctor's appointments, and for Dale & Denise to know which issue to pursue and seek further answers.

Voss Family: Alvina passed away last week. Funeral is tomorrow, Monday, 11/24 at 11 am here at Pleasant Valley with visitation 1 hour before the service.

Virginia Ritsema: Cataract surgery went well. Recovering well with improved eyesight, except for the loss from the macular degeneration.

Katie Dittmer: Prayers for her "^{Mary}mother" who has progressing dementia and is currently hospitalized with a UTI and has to be restrained because she is combative.

"Note of Appreciation" Thank you from Pastor Rick for the cards, phone calls, and thoughts during October. We always marvel at your patience and support. No better placed to be than PVRC! Thank You from Pastor Rick and Betsy

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday Morning Breakfast Group: Wed. Nov. 26th at 8:30 am in Parkersburg.

Bible Babes Study Group— NO Study on 11/26th.

Hope Reformed Pie & Praise Night - Wed. 11/26th at 7 pm. Special Thanksgiving service with a delicious dessert afterward.

Christmas Hymn Sing with soup supper to follow! - Sunday, Nov. 30th at Wellsburg Reformed Church. Randy Aalderks and Esther Meyer accompanying. A great way to start the season of Advent and to prepare for Christmas!

STUCO Christmas Thrift Store: Friday, Dec 5th 5-8 pm and Saturday, Dec 6th, 9 am-4 pm.

Timothy Christian Cookie Walk – Friday, Dec. 5th 8-10:30 am at the United Reformed Church 608 Adams St., Wellsburg.

PVRC Giving methods

- 1) Offering plates will NOT be passed - Drop your tithe & gifts in the box on the half-wall in the lobby, near the front door.
- 2) Mail your check directly to the church address or Wendy Lage, PVC treasurer via U.S. Postal service at—P.O. Box 424 Wellsburg, IA 50680
- 3) On-line Giving on the PVC website: www.pleasantvalleyonline.org. Front page "Give" button. Clicking on it brings up a window on top of our webpage. It is a very secure place to enter the necessary information to tithe via credit card or direct bank debit. A small processing fee will be deducted from your gift, so if you want to also cover that fee cost, check the appropriate box.

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