

# 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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## March 22, 2026

**Speaker: Randy Folkerts**

**Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-28**

**Message: "The Hope We Have in Jesus Christ"**

- #349 - Trust and Obey
- #210 - Jesus Paid It All
- #542 - When We All Get To Heaven
- #195 - Nothing But the Blood

3/22/2026 <i>5th Sunday of Lent</i>		3/29/2026 <i>Palm Sunday / Communion</i>
Randy Folkerts	<b>SPEAKER</b>	Rev. Rus Boersma
Date	<b>P/V C Assist</b>	Rev. Rick
Darlene DeVries	<b>Musician</b>	None
Praise Team	<b>Song Leader</b>	Praise Team
Ross & Wendy	<b>Hospitality</b>	Katie & Betsy

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**"Easter Flower Sign Up":** Lilies are \$11 and Bulb Flowers are \$10.  
All orders and money to Sara by **NEXT Sunday, March 29.**

**Help is requested after fellowship downstairs to set up the basement for the funeral.**

The Student Connection will be offering Grab & Go Easter Kits on Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10-11 am at the Outreach Center in Aplington. Kits contain everything needed for an egg hunt and gospel conversation.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**American Legion Post 285 Breakfast:** Sunday, March 22, 8 am to 1 pm in Parkersburg.

**Wednesday Morning Breakfast Group:** Wed. March 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am in Parkersburg.

**Bible Babes Study Group -** Wed. March 25<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm – Proverbs study, Lesson 4.

**Knights of Columbus "Fish Fry"** Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at St. Gabriel's Church (corner of T-55 and D-35), serving 5-7 pm

**Men's 2x4's study group** Saturday, March 28th at 7 am.

**4-H Omelet Breakfast -** Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 1 pm at the Grundy Center Community Center. Adults \$8 per ticket or \$10 at the door. Children \$5 and To-Go Orders \$8. See bulletin board for more info.

**"Higher Power Quartet" Concert -** Sunday, March 29, starting at 4 pm at the Wellsburg Reformed Church. A free will offering will be collected for the group. There will be a time of refreshments after the concert.

**The Parkersburg Ministerial Association will present "The Living Last Supper,"** a dramatization of Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper," at Bethel Lutheran Church on Sunday, March 29 at 4 pm and 7 pm, and on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 pm.

## "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:** Was hospitalized in Iowa City from March 3 to 12,<sup>th</sup> which resulted in surgery to have his gallbladder removed. Came home and then was readmitted to Grundy Hospital for a couple days with colitis and dehydration. This allowed the body rest and was able to reset. My digestive system is not adjusting well to the loss of the gallbladder, so I am on a very restrictive diet. Then Friday I developed a UTI, which added another layer to the problems, but there has been some improvement. This has been quite a journey of complications but there is improvement for which they are unbelievably thankful.

**Family of Shirley Meester:** Shirley passed away Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> in Utah. Funeral service will be Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> here at Pleasant Valley Church at 2 pm with refreshments afterwards. Visitation will be Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7 pm at the Abels Funeral Home in Dike.

**Greta Cordes:** Will remain in her cervical collar for another 12 weeks. Healing of her cervical fracture has been slow.

**Mike Meester:** at Grundy Hospital Skilled Nursing. AFib continues. Plan is to have a cardioversion April 1st in Cedar Rapids. He is tired of being hospitalized for so long but they can't risk having him out since his heart has serious AFib they cannot regulate yet.

**Brandon Steele:** (Bob's grandson): Doctor visit showed concern for his eye health and possible blindness in one eye in the future. Part of the blame comes from insurance fighting payment for the drug to help him.

**Gerald Kruger:** Remains in the Skilled Unit at Grundy Hospital, doing daily PT to stay active. Wounds are healing. Left arm remains immobilized. Feeling a bit discouraged being there so long.

**Bob Novak:** Struggling with edema, pain, and loss of control of leg/foot. Barely able to walk.

## Spring is almost here!!

*Use these verses to help welcome a "new season" in your life.*

**M - Mirror the heart of Christ in your daily life.**

*"Walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us..." Ephesians 5:2*

**A - Ask the Lord to help you grow good fruit.**

*"...bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God."*

*- Colossians 1:10*

**R - Rest in the truths of Scriptures.**

*"You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you." - Isaiah 26:3*

**C - Creation will always share reminders of God's goodness.**

*"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands." - Psalm 19:1*

**H - Have faith. God is working all things out.**

*"We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him..." -*

*Romans 8:28*

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### 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](http://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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