



Who Takes Care of the Shepherd?

You see how your pastor takes these words of Jesus to heart: “Feed my sheep.” Your pastor knows Philippians 4:13, too: “I can do all things through him who strengthens me.”

But God often strengthens us through each other. Are you as a church doing all you can to care for your pastor—your shepherd?

Sustaining Pastoral Excellence (SPE) is designed for Christian Reformed churches that want to encourage their pastors to do things that renew them in their ministry.

More than 450 pastors and 390 churches have already experienced how peer learning, mentoring, and continuing education replenish pastors’ hearts and minds.

RESOURCES FOR YOUR PASTOR



Peer learning lets pastors reflect with others in similar situations or experiences. Mentoring shortens the learning curve for new pastors. Continuing education connects your pastor with trends and scholarship new since he or she graduated from seminary.



Sustaining Pastoral Excellence funds are available to help your pastors. Encourage them to check us out.

Our pastor's peer mentoring group planned several message series. The sermon contents and passion with which they were communicated made it obvious that our pastor's preaching level was raised.

—Ray Heeres, Bethel CRC, Listowel, ON



We seven pastors are now like brothers in ministry together.

—Vern Vander Zee, South Kendall Community CRC, Miami, FL



Our pastors returned invigorated to connect justice and worship. People are committing time to promote justice and mercy locally and globally.

—Cindy Nyboer, Fleetwood CRC, Surrey, BC

Thank God for our pastor, from whom I've learned what is right. Sometimes I feel overwhelmed by life, but he's there to love and to guide.

—Mary Ann Ferrer, Living Faith Fellowship CRC, Hayward, CA



Encourage your pastors to renew their hearts and minds:

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