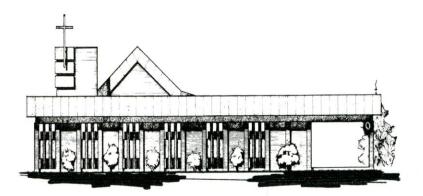
Èighth Reformed Church

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"God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . ."

Galatians 6:14

Our worship service is Sunday morning at 9:30 am. It is broadcast on WYGR Radio "Jethro FM" at 94.9 FM or 1530 AM. You can also listen to our service live on the web at Jethro.fm.

## + Eighth Reformed Church + Sunday, March 2, 2025 - 9:30 am Order of Worship

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn # 512

Jesus Is All the World to Me

**Opening Prayer** 

Hymn # 45 (vs. 1,3,4)

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn of Preparation # 123

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

Scripture: John 1:1-5, 10-14, 18 (page 1509)

#### Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 13, Q&A 33

33 Q: Why is he called God's "only Son" when we also are God's children?

A: Because Christ alone is the eternal, natural Son of God. We, however, are adopted children of God – adopted by grace through Christ.

### Message: "Belonging"

\*Hymn of Response # 551

O to Be Like Thee!

Offering and Offertory

\*Doxology # 815, Offertory Prayer

\*Benediction

\*Closing Hymn # 419

The Family of God

Postlude

(\*Please stand if you are able.)

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Welcome!

What an encouragement it is to have you with us. We're glad you came! Our prayer is that your time here will be uplifting and joyful. If you are visiting with us, please sign our guest register in the Narthex, and if you are looking for a church home, we hope that you will return to worship with us again.

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#### **This Week's Events**

**Today:** 

9:30 a.m. Worship, followed by coffee in the narthex.11:00 a.m. Pastor Harry's Sunday School class meets. Young People's Sunday School classes meet.

#### Monday:

1:00 p.m. Bible Study.

#### Wednesday:

**9:30-10:30 a.m.** Everyone is invited to Coffeetime downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy coffee, donuts and good fellowship.

1:00 p.m. Quilting Group.

## **Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week**

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# **Church News and Future Events**

**Bulletin Announcements:** Marilee Takken, the secretary, is in the office Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Please have all announcements to her by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday. If you leave a note for her, please put it in the black mailbox on her desk in the church office. Thank you.

### **Congregational Meeting Overview:**

1. Thank you to all who attended the Congregational Meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup>.

2. The proposed budget for 2025-2026 was approved.

3. The slate of Consistory nominees was approved and we welcomed into consistory two new deacons, Marj Hendges and Keith Warren, and two new elders, Mel Disselkoen and Jeff VanMeekeren, all serving 3-year terms. Ordination and Installation is scheduled for Sunday morning, March 16<sup>th</sup>.

**New Directory Corrections/Additions Sheet:** Please check your church mailbox for a sheet which lists the corrections and additions to our 2025 church directory. We want you to stay up-to-date with our church family.

**Pastor Harry and Beth's Vacation:** Pastor Harry and Beth will be gone from March 5th through March 14th, DV (Deo Volente = God Willing). During that time if you have a question or concern, please reach out to your Care Group elder or deacon. <u>Any requests</u> for the Prayer Chain should be directed to Tim Tacoma, 616-262-9972, except during office hours when Marilee can be contacted <u>directly.</u> If you are not on the Prayer Chain and would like to be, please see the sign-up sheet on the table in the hallway. We will send requests out either by email or phone call. **Quilting Group** will meet this Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Attention Choir Members: We will be singing next Sunday, March 9th, so please arrive by 8:45 a.m. to rehearse.

### **Directory Update – Change of Address:**

Ron Lankheet Commonwealth Sr. Living 3956 Whispering Way SE, #811-A Grand Rapids, MI 49546

**Radio Fund:** We have donation envelopes available for our Jethro Radio Fund. You can find them in the tract rack on the wall in the hallway.

**Spring Hymn Sing:** Mark your calendars for our first Hymn Sing of the season here at 8<sup>th</sup>! It will be held on Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, at 2:30 p.m. Come early (2:15 p.m.) to enjoy a beautiful prelude. Watch for more details.

**Church Activity Cancellations:** In the event that Eighth decides to cancel services and/or activities, please tune your TV to Channels 8 (WOOD) or 13 (WZZM), our Prayer Chain, or Eighth Reformed Facebook page.

# **Prayer Concerns and Praises**

Doug VanderMeer had surgery on Tuesday to have a stent placed in his left carotid artery. Surgery went well and he returned home on Wednesday. He is grateful for all the prayers and calls.

- Jim VerStrate was admitted to St. Mary's Hospital earlier this week with Influenza A.
- Ron Oostdyk is dealing with back and knee issues which can be painful and limits his mobility.
- ✤ JoAnne Sleeth is requesting prayers for depression.
- Please remember Shirley Lohman who will be undergoing treatment for cancer.
- Phil Doornbos thanks you for all the prayers as his blood pressure is under control since beginning his medication.
- Mary Roelof's brother, Dave Heuvelhorst, has been diagnosed with bladder cancer. He will be having a CAT scan and then meeting with an oncologist soon to see about treatment.
- Carol Koetje (Sue Tacoma's mother) continues to be under Hospice Care.
- Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Ruth Horjus and Rena Remtema.
- Missionary of the Month: In a culture deeply intertwined with Buddhism, less than one percent of the population in Thailand confesses Jesus Christ as Lord. Please pray for Rawee and Nui Bunupuradah who are working there to strengthen the pulse of Christianity by planting and growing churches.

Those dealing with health issues: Betty Holmes, Tim See (sonin-law of Marty Riemersma), Connie VanderWest, Tina Shaver, Rick Boom, Floyd (Kristi Schell's significant other), Helen (David Shaver's niece), Amber Olson (Tina Shaver's sister), Darlene Cimochowicz, Larry Rudnik, Ron & Barb Engels, Tootie Kallemeyn (friend of Marj Hendges), Jolene Miller (8year-old granddaughter of Rick & Debbie Miller), Mary and Jerry Lothschutz (Rick & Debbie Miller's sister and brotherin-law), Ron & Jenny Benedict, Michelle Strating (Dick & Lorraine Strating's daughter-in-law), Renee (Cindi Ralph's friend), Joan Emaus, Arvilla DeVries, Glenn Bartman, Kim Wiggers (Arvilla DeVries' daughter), and Heath Misiak.

# **Notes of Appreciation**

Thank you for the cards I received for my birthday. They were much appreciated. ~Larry Dreyer

Dear Church Family, Thank you so much for all the beautiful cards sent to us for our anniversary and Roger's birthday. It's a blessing to us, thank you. ~Roger & Kathie Billings

We would like to thank the congregation of Eighth Reformed Church for reaching out and sharing your condolences with us following the passing of our sister and aunt, Dorothy Visch. Each card was a sweet confirmation that people were thinking of us, and the prayers brought much comfort to our hearts. A very special "thank you" to Pastor Harry Koops for his visit and consoling words. ~Love, Dee DeCator and Family