

Eighth Reformed Church

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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 †
Second Sunday of Lent, March 16, 2025 - 9:30 am
Order of Worship

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn # 588

All for Jesus

Opening Prayer

Hymn # 660

I Will Serve Thee

Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Preparation # 590

I'll Live for Him

Scripture: Luke 12:35-38, 41-43 (page 1485)

Message: “Called to Serve”

*Hymn of Response # 665

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Ordination & Installation of New Consistory Members

Offering and Offertory

**Doxology* # 815, Offertory Prayer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn # 669

Make Me a Servant

Postlude

(*Please stand if you are able.)

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.

This Week's Events

Today:

9:30 a.m. Worship, followed by coffee in the narthex.

11:00 a.m. Young People's Sunday School classes meet.
Choir rehearsal.

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.

10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study.

10:45 a.m. Music Committee Meeting.

Saturday:

9:30 a.m. Consistory Meeting.

New Consistory Members

This morning we have the privilege of ordaining/installing four new Consistory members. We welcome two elders, Mel Disselkoen and Jeff VanMeekeren, and two deacons, Marj Hendges and Keith Warren. We pray God's blessings upon them as they have been called to serve as Christ served.

We are grateful to our outgoing Consistory members, Terri Oosterhouse (elder) and Rick Miller (deacon), who have served well and completed their terms of office.

Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops
Organist: Paul Kerkstra *Pianist:* Marilee Takken
Song Leader: Pete Rusticus *Trumpet:* David Ellis
Greeters: *North door:* Fred Diekman
Organ door: Todd Riemersma
Elder (post service): Terri Oosterhouse
Valet/Lift: Jodi Bultema *Parking Lot Guard:* TBA
Ushers: Larry Roelofs, John Deppe Jr. *Sound:* Scott Diekman
Radio: Beth Koops
Praying with Pastor: Terri Oosterhouse, Larry Rudnik
Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, TBA
Coffee Fellowship Servers: Manny Melendez

Opportunities for Worship and Service Next Week

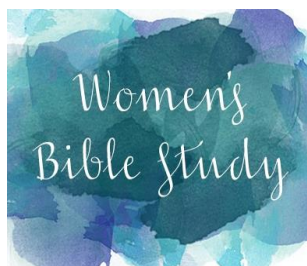
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Organist: Paul Kerkstra *Pianist:* To be announced
Song Leader: Terry Grooters *Trumpet:* David Ellis
Greeters: *North door:* Fred Diekman
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Elder (post service): Pete Rusticus
Valet/Lift: Danielle Wagenmaker *Parking Lot Guard:* TBA
Ushers: Larry Roelofs, Larry Dreyer *Sound:* Scott Diekman
Radio: Kein VanHeukelom
Praying with Pastor: Terri Oosterhouse, Larry Rudnik
Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, TBA
Coffee Fellowship Servers: Marsa Barclay, Joy Hendricks

Offerings for March 9, 2025

<u>General</u>	<u>Mission/Benevolent</u>	<u>Special</u>	<u>Radio</u>
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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.



Women's Bible Study: To the women who signed up for the Esther Bible Study, the book for our study was placed in your mailbox last week. We will meet for the first time this Wednesday, March 19th, at 10:30 am to begin our study. If you did not sign up, we still have books available. Just talk to Diane Maitner or show up for the first meeting – we'd love to have you join us!

Pastor Harry's Sunday School Class will NOT meet today, but WILL MEET on March 30th.

An Unexpected Visitor: Eighth Reformed Church had an unexpected visitor this past week. Rev. Kenneth Westrate (Pastor here from 1992-1999, post Rev. Howard Davis era) stopped by the church. He complimented 8th for keeping the traditional look and sticking to our RCA roots. He also helped with some maintenance issues. Thank you to Rev. Westrate.

Watch/Listen to 8th Services: Most of you know that our church services can now be viewed on YouTube. If you want to listen to a service, an easy way to do that is to go to the church's website at 8thchurch.org and click on the "Worship Services" tab. There you can see all the past services listed and either listen to or view the entire service. Many thanks to Doug VanderMeer, Dawn Blocher, and Nathan Wolfe for making this happen!

Attention Choir Members: We will be singing next Sunday, March 23rd, so please arrive by 8:45 a.m. to rehearse.

Photo Board: We want to keep our Church Family Photo Board up-to-date so if your picture isn't included, please let Beth Koops know. You can give her a photo if you have one or she can take your picture at church during fellowship time and have it printed out. We want to include anyone who considers Eighth Church to be their church home – you don't need to be a member to be a part of our church family!

Words of Hope Devotionals for April, May, June are now available on the table under the guest book in the narthex.

Spring Hymn Sing: Mark your calendars for our first Hymn Sing of the season here at 8th! It will be held on Sunday, April 6th, at 2:30 p.m. Come early (2:15 p.m.) to enjoy a beautiful prelude. The program will feature Roger & Kathie Billings and Paul & Joyce Carmichael. Also featuring Paul Kerkstra on organ, Ruth Baar on piano, David Ellis on trumpet and Terry Grooters as Song Leader. A Love Offering will be received and refreshments will follow the program. Invite a friend or neighbor!

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

We extend our sympathies to Don & Judy Wynalda in the passing away of Don's older brother, Elmer Wynalda. Elmer died on Tuesday, March 11th, and funeral services were held on Friday, the 14th, at Friendship Church in Byron Center.

We also express our condolences to Mark & Mary Kroft. Mark's mother, Nora, passed away recently in the Lansing area.

May our Heavenly Father's presence be a source of solace and peace for these families during their time of loss.

- ❖ Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Darlene Cimochowicz and Gladys Kessel.
- ❖ 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: Marilyn Blankenburg (Keith Warren's aunt), Dave Conrad (Jethro), Dave Heuvelhorst (Mary Roelof's brother), JoAnne Sleeth, Shirley Lohman, Carol Koetje (Sue Tacoma's mother), Betty Holmes, Tim See (son-in-law of Marty Riemersma), Connie VanderWest, Rick Boom, Floyd (Kristi Schell's significant other), Helen (David Shaver's niece), Tina Shaver, Amber Olson (Tina Shaver's sister), Larry Rudnik, Tootie Kallemeyn (friend of Marj Hendges), Jolene Miller (8-year-old granddaughter of Rick & Debbie Miller), Mary and Jerry Lothschutz (Rick & Debbie Miller's sister and brother-in-law), Ron & Jenny Benedict, Michelle Strating (Dick & Lorraine Strating's daughter-in-law), Renee (Cindi Ralph's friend), Joan Emaus, and Heath Misiak.

Notes of Appreciation

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to the congregation for all your prayers and support for my dad and me over the past six months. I'm happy to share that we have finally sold the house in Texas! It was quite a journey, with three buyers backing out, and several road trips back and forth, but the third buyer returned as the fourth buyer! I'm so relieved that this is now behind us. Your support has meant so much to us! ~Connie Simmons-Miller

Thank you for the prayers, cards and calls that came to us while Jim was sick. We really appreciate it. ~Jim & Sandy VerStrate

Thank you for the beautiful cards and greetings from the 8th Reformed family. ~Larry Palma

Thanks to our 8th family for the cards and well wishes for my 90th birthday. We feel blessed to be part of this fellowship of believers. ~Bill & Ruth Tacoma

Sermon Notes