

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

Piano Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn # 43 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Opening Prayer

Special Music: *I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary*
Beth Pastoor, Tim Tacoma

Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Preparation # 743 *Wonderful Peace*

Scripture: 1 Timothy 6:11-12 (page 1693)

Message: “Flee, Fight, Follow, Lay Up”

*Hymn of Response # 489 *Pass Me Not*

Offering and Offertory

**Doxology* # 815, Offertory Prayer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn # 684 (vs. 1) *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

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 cake & coffee in the Fellowship Hall (downstairs).

11:00 a.m. No Sunday School Classes will meet today.

Monday:

1:00 p.m. A New Bible Study (see announcement).

Wednesday:

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

Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week

Pastor: Pastor Garrett Sweeney

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Tim Tacoma

Song Leader: Beth Pastoor

Trumpet: David Ellis

Greeters: North door: Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Tim Tacoma

Valet/Lift: Jake VanderHart

Parking Lot Guard: TBA

Ushers: Larry Roelofs, John Deppe Jr.

Sound: Scott Diekman

Radio: Jeff VanMeekeren

Praying with Pastor: Terri Oosterhouse, Larry Rudnik

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, TBA

Coffee Fellowship Servers: Julie Aman, Deb Weeks

Opportunities for Worship and Service Next Week

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Linda Wolfe

Song Leader: Pete Rusticus

Trumpet: David Ellis

Greeters: North door: Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Jeff VanMeekeren

Valet/Lift: Rob Pols

Parking Lot Guard: TBA

Ushers: Larry Roelofs, Larry Dreyer

Sound: Scott Diekman

Radio: Scott Pastoor

Praying with Pastor: Doug VanderMeer, Marj Hedges

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, TBA

Coffee Fellowship Servers: Karen Engelsman

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.



With Heartfelt Appreciation, we want to express our gratitude to Ruth Tacoma who has been a faithful pianist at 8th Reformed for four years and has accompanied our organist, Paul Kerkstra, for many more years than that at Grace Reformed. To honor Ruth and express our thanks, we invite everyone downstairs this morning for coffee, cake, and other refreshments following worship.

No Sunday School Classes will meet today so that everyone can join the celebration for Ruth Tacoma.

A New Bible Study: Wes Dekker will lead a new Bible Study for 4-6 weeks beginning tomorrow, March 31st, at 1:00 p.m. in the Consistory Room. It's a very interesting study that will focus on the type of life God rewards, and that good works for a Christian are not put to waste. All men and women are welcome.

Spring Hymn Sing: Our first Hymn Sing of the season will be held one week from today, Sunday, April 6th, at 2:30 p.m. (Prelude begins at 2:15 p.m.) 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!

The YouTube Team could use one more person to help in live streaming our morning worship service. If you are comfortable working with that kind of technology, please talk to Doug VanderMeer or Dawn Blocher and they will give you plenty of training. This is an exciting new way we can reach more people with the gospel!

Attention All Ladies: Ladies, you are invited to our Spring Celebration Luncheon on Friday, May 2nd, from 12 – 2 p.m. Join us as we praise God for the Springtime, enjoy a delicious meal, and share fellowship with one another. Our guest speaker will be Joan Lankamp who was given an opportunity to serve God in Russia for one year. Campus Crusade, using The Jesus Film, tried to replace what communism had taken away. A lesson learned that it takes a host of people to love and support the efforts needed to succeed in ministry. Family and friends are welcome to join us. A sign-up sheet is in the hallway and will be there through Sunday, April 20th. Please note that ladies will be seated at specific tables so please designate your guest's name on the sign-up sheet. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Maitner, 616-531-5239 or Sally Herrema, 616-723-3516

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 Christian sympathies to the friends and family of Paul Kramer who passed away on Wednesday, March 19th. Paul was a member here at 8th since March of 2023. Funeral arrangements are pending. May the love and healing presence of our Heavenly Father comfort Paul's family through their time of loss.

❖ Jenny Benedict spent some time at Blodgett and was discharged again. She is dealing with intense pain related to her pancreas and spleen problems. She is also dealing with emphysema and is losing weight. Please keep her and Ron in prayer as this is a chronic condition.

- ❖ Dan & Sue Luyk, who are frequent attenders, as well as radio listeners, are vacationing in South Carolina. Dan was scheduled to have brain surgery this past Wednesday at the Medical University of South Carolina related to a blood cluster on the brain. Cards can be mailed to:

Dan Luyk
P.O. Box 22
Byron Center, MI 49315

- ❖ Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Glenn Bartman and Judy VanderMeer.
- ❖ 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: Shirley Lohman, Arvilla DeVries, Betty Holmes, Karl Steininger, Marilyn Blankenburg (Keith Warren's aunt), Brent Kerkstra, Dave Conrad (Jethro), Dave Heuvelhorst (Mary Roelof's brother), JoAnne Sleeth, Carol Koetje (Sue Tacoma's mother), Tim See (son-in-law of Marty Riemersma), Connie VanderWest, Rick Boom, Floyd (Kristi Schell's significant other), David Shaver (David Shaver's father), 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), and Joan Emaus.



Notes of Appreciation

I would like to thank the ladies who make the prayer shawls. The one I received is beautiful. It's very warm and comforting. Thank you again.
~Shirley Lohman

Pastor Mark & Judy Bergsma would like to express their gratitude to their Eighth family for the cards, wishes, and singing on Mark's birthday last Sunday, as well as the "congratulations" on the birth of their new grandchild, and the flowers they were given. They are blessed by your acts of kindness.

Consistory Notes

1. Congratulations to Shannon Wagoner who was selected as the new Chairperson of the Deacons.
2. Tim Tacoma will continue on as VP of Consistory.
3. With the addition of an elder-deacon team, there will be a reorganization of the Care Groups. You will receive a card in your mailbox in the near future from your elder/deacon team. If you do not have a mailbox, we will mail the card to you.
4. Consistory will meet on the second Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m.
5. It is our privilege to serve as your Consistory at this time.