

# *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](http://Jethro.fm).

**† Eighth Reformed Church †**  
**Sunday, July 6, 2025 - 9:30 am**  
**Order of Worship**

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn # 686

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Opening Prayer

Hymn # 105

*We Will Glorify*

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn of Preparation # 809

*God of Our Fathers*

**Scripture: Psalm 33:8-22** (page 795)

**Message: “The Power of a Nation”**

\*Hymn of Response # 804 (vs. 1-4) *Battle Hymn of the Republic*

Offering and Offertory

\**Doxology* # 815, Offertory Prayer

\*Benediction

\*Closing Hymn # 87 (vs. 4)

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

Postlude

(\*Please stand if you are able.)

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*Welcome!*

Welcome to worship at Eighth Reformed Church on this Lord's Day. What an encouragement it is to have you with us. Blessed by the freedom to worship God openly here in the United States of America, we come before Him in praise and thanksgiving this morning. 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.

**Monday:**

**1:00 p.m.** Bible Study in the Consistory Room.  
(See announcement.)

**Tuesday:**

**10:00 a.m.** Prayer Shawl Ministry meets.

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

*Pastor:* Pastor Harvey Hertz

*Organist:* Annjean DeVries

*Pianist:* Linda Wolfe

*Song Leader:* Ron Engels

*Greeters:* North door: Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Tim Tacoma

*Valet/Lift:* Jake VanderHart      *Parking Lot Guard:* Bud Roerig

*Ushers:* Pat Crandle, Larry Dreyer      *Sound:* Scott Diekman

*Radio:* Scott Pastoor

*YouTube:* Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

*Praying with Pastor:* Jeff VanMeekeren, Larry Rudnik

*Volunteer Deacons:* John Stapel, John Deppe Jr.

*Coffee Fellowship Servers:* Launi VanderHart

*Cookie Donators:* Ron & Jenny Benedict

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

*Pastor:* Pastor Harvey Hertz

*Organist:* Paul Kerkstra

*Pianist:* Carol Rose

*Song Leader:* Ron Engels

*Greeters:* North door: Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Jeff VanMeekeren

*Valet/Lift:* Jodi Bultema      *Parking Lot Guard:* TBA

*Ushers:* Pat Crandle, Larry Dreyer      *Sound:* Scott Diekman

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*Praying with Pastor:* Jeff VanMeekeren, Larry Rudnik

*Volunteer Deacons:* John Stapel, John Deppe Jr.

*Coffee Fellowship Donators/Servers:* Nadine Farran

## **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 the wall in the church office. Thank you.

**Monday Bible Study:** Beginning tomorrow, July 7<sup>th</sup>, an afternoon Bible Study, led by Wes Dekker, will meet in the Consistory Room. The study will begin at 1:00 p.m. and is open to both men and women with selected studies each week.

**Pastor Harry & Beth** are at Camp Maranatha through July 13<sup>th</sup> and plan to be home (D.V.) on July 14<sup>th</sup>. If you have a question or concern, please reach out to your Care Group elder or deacon. Any requests for the Prayer Chain should be directed to Tim Tacoma, 616-262-9972, except during office hours when Marilee can be contacted directly.

**Diaper Dash:** We are excited to participate in Alpha Center of Grand Rapids' Diaper Dash once again! During the month of July, their goal is to collect 100,000 diapers. Please leave donations in the play pen in the coat room across from the library. (Sizes 5 and larger are most in demand.) Your donation allows us to continue being a beacon of hope in our community.



**The Mission Committee** is looking for a few more members. Our Mission Committee gives intentional care to our missionaries by staying connected to them, providing updates on them, helping the congregation pray for them, and providing support in times of need. If you have a heart for missions and would like to share it, please contact Tim Tacoma, 616-262-9972.

**Faith Challenge Envelopes** are available in the tract racks in the hallway. We encourage you to support the Gideons, Salvation Army, and Voice of the Martyrs by taking an envelope, placing a check or cash inside and dropping it in the offering plate. Your gift will be divided equally between all three entities. Thank you in advance for your favor on this project.

**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**

- ❖ Laura VanHeest is dealing with severe pain in her head. It is being treated even as she has more tests.
- ❖ Heath Misiak, son of Kathy Misiak, had a cochlear implant on Wednesday. Prayers and cards are appreciated. His address is:  
3968 – 42nd St. SW  
Grandville, MI 49418
- ❖ Matt Arntz is scheduled to have hip replacement surgery some time this month.
- ❖ Rick & Debbie Miller's oldest daughter, Casie, will have throat surgery in California this Wednesday, July 9th. She has a condition where her throat closes up and there are only a few doctors that perform this type of surgery.
- ❖ Cindi & Gordon Ralph's friend, Renee, is now under Hospice Care.
- ❖ Max Nelson (Anthony Byington's friend), who was in a dirt bike accident a few weeks ago, is thankful for prayers that are being answered and is well on his way to recovery.
- ❖ Robert DeYoung began chemo treatments this week.
- ❖ Brett Roberts, son of Karen Roberts, was able to return home from the hospital on Monday.
- ❖ Don Wynalda continues to be under Hospice Care.
- ❖ Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Ron Lankheet and Judy VanderMeer.

❖ Missionary of the Month: Please be in prayer for David Colop as he works with the Quiché people in Guatemala. He records and edits a children's Bible program, and trains pastors and youth ministers in Biblical studies. David is developing three courses that teach the pastors the Bible book by book, and verse by verse.

❖ Those dealing with health issues: Steve & Dot Luce (Pastor Harry and Beth's friends), Mary Davis, Emily Dreyer (Larry & Mert Dreyer's granddaughter), Ruth Harlan (Shirley Polderdyk's sister), Lynne (Mary Roelof's friend), Jerry Lothschutz (brother-in-law to Rick & Debbie Miller), Michelle Strating (Dick & Lorraine Strating's daughter-in-law), Ron Oostdyk, JoAnne Sleeth, Tim See (son-in-law of Marty Riemersma), Helen (David Shaver's niece), Amber Olson (Tina Shaver's sister), Larry Rudnik, Ron & Jenny Benedict, Dan Rotman (John Deppe Sr.'s nephew), Dave Conrad (Jethro), Dan Luyk, and Dorothy Bartlett.

### Notes of Appreciation

My sincere thanks for the prayers for my son, Brett. Your kind words, cards, and prayers are truly appreciated.

~Karen Roberts



### *America, the Beautiful*

*O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties, Above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood,  
From sea to shining sea!*

## **Sermon Notes**