

Eighth Reformed Church

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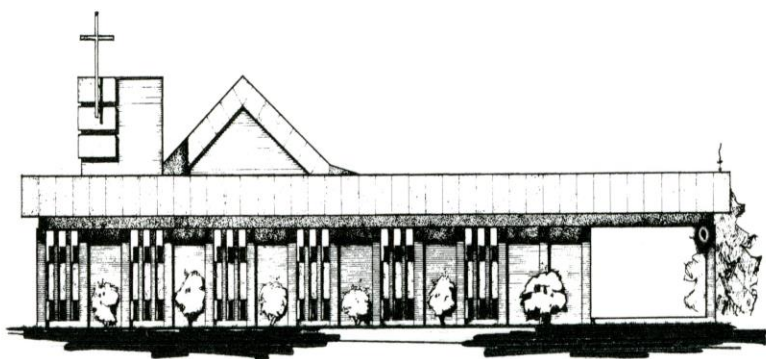
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"God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . ."

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, July 13, 2025 - 9:30 am
Order of Worship

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn # 147

How Great Thou Art

Opening Prayer

Special Music: Sue Kurtz

Faith Challenge Moment: Mel Disselkoen

Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Preparation # 731

Onward, Christian Soldiers

Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-18 (page 1670)

Message: “Be Strong in the Lord”

*Hymn of Response # 151 (vs. 1,3,4)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology # 815, Offertory Prayer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn # 87 (vs. 4)

Fairest Lord Jesus

Postlude

(*Please stand if you are able.)

Welcome!

Welcome to worship at Eighth Reformed Church on this Lord’s Day. What an encouragement it is to have you with us. 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.
- Monday:**
1:00 p.m. Monday Bible Study in the Choir Room.

Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week

Pastor: Pastor Harvey Hertz

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Carol Rose

Song Leader: Pete Rusticus

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

Radio: Jeff VanMeekeren

YouTube: Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

Praying with Pastor: Jeff VanMeekeren, Larry Rudnik

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, John Deppe Jr.

Coffee Fellowship Donators/Servers: Nadine Farran

Opportunities for Worship and Service Next Week

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops

Organist: Noreen Lautenschleger

Pianist: Sharon Byington

Song Leader: Beth Pastoor

Greeters: North door: Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Doug VanderMeer

Valet/Lift: Rob Pols

Parking Lot Guard: TBA

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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 the wall in the church office. Thank you.

♪ **A Note of Thanks** to Sue Kurtz for blessing us with her ministry of music this morning.

Monday Bible Study meets each Monday at 1:00 p.m. in the Choir Room. Wes Dekker leads the study and both men and women are welcome.

THANK YOU! Thank you for your support of Right To Life by filling the Baby Bottle Banks. Your response was overwhelming! We filled over 100 banks and collected a total of \$2,477.00. We really appreciate your helping in this way.

~Linda Rusticus and Mary Roelofs

P.S. Please start saving your coins for next year!

Transportation Volunteer Opportunity: Joy Stulp is scheduled to have eye surgery on Tuesday, July 22nd and is in need of transportation. She would greatly appreciate it if someone could pick her up, wait for her during the surgery, and then bring her back home. She won't know the time of surgery until a day or two prior to the 22nd. Joy lives at Cortland of Wyoming and her appointment is at Grand Valley Surgical Center, 2680 Leonard St NE, Suite 1, Grand Rapids, MI 49525. If you're able to assist Joy in this capacity, please contact Mel Disselkoen, 616-250-0326.

Large Print Bulletins Available: If the print in our church bulletin is a little too small and strenuous on your eyes, we would like to offer you a large print bulletin. The large print edition includes all the information the regular print bulletin contains, plus the hymns and Scripture reading. Simply place a note in the black mailbox in the office letting us know you're interested and it will be in your church mailbox each Sunday morning.

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.

Diaper Dash: 1 in 2 families do not have all of the diapers they need to keep their infants/toddlers clean, dry and healthy. Nurses see health complications of the serious rashes and infection created by leaving wet or soiled diapers on for too long, or by drying out and reusing diapers. For this reason, Eighth Church feels called to once again participate in Alpha Center of Grand Rapids' Diaper Dash. 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.

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

- ❖ Kathy Misiak fell at home on Wednesday, July 2nd, and fractured a vertebrae in her neck which required surgery. Surgery went well and she was transferred from Metro Hospital to Mary Free Bed on Wednesday, the 9th.
- ❖ Jenny Benedict had ulnar/carpal tunnel surgery this past Tuesday. Surgery went well and she is recovering at home.
- ❖ Tim Tacoma's brother-in-law, Brian Herweyer, was diagnosed with tumors on his brain and spots on his lungs and liver. Radiation began this past Thursday.
- ❖ Sharon Bowen's sister-in-law, Laura, is being admitted to a Memory Care Unit on Monday, July 14th.
- ❖ David Shaver's sister, Carla, was admitted to the hospital over the holiday weekend and had surgery for the infection and fluid build-up in her back. Surgery went well and she was hoping to return home soon.

- ❖ Rick & Debbie Miller's oldest daughter, Casie, had throat surgery in California on Wednesday. Surgery went well, although this is a surgery she may need every six months. (It is a very scary and serious surgery.)
- ❖ Rick & Debbie Miller's 8-year-old granddaughter, Jolene, will receive a cochlear implant on Wednesday, July 16th.
- ❖ Don Wynalda and Renee (Cindi & Gordon Ralph's friend) continue to be under Hospice Care.
- ❖ Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Phyllis Blodgett and Marv Nyenhuis.
- ❖ 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: Robert DeYoung, Laura VanHeest, Steve & Dot Luce (Pastor Harry and Beth's friends), 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

Anthony Byington would like to thank all those who gave him cards for his birthday. They helped make his day extra special!

So many wonderful cards! Our kitchen table is full. Thank you for remembering our 60th Wedding Anniversary with cards and well-wishes. We are blessed and so happy to be a part of the family of God at Eighth.
~Bernie & Phyllis Schuitema

Thank you for the beautiful cards and prayers I received from my church family following my fall. I am doing better.
~Mary Davis

To everyone who remembered my birthday with cards and wishes, thank you. It was a great day spent with family.
~Howard Davis

I really appreciate all the blessings of prayers being sent to God on my behalf. You all are SO WONDERFUL. Thank you for accepting Ron and I into the Eighth Reformed Church Family.
~God Bless, Jenny Benedict