

Eighth Reformed Church

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Psalm 113:3

*From the rising of the sun unto the going down of
the same the LORD's name is to be praised.*

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, August 17, 2025 - 9:30 am
Order of Worship

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn # 151

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Opening Prayer

Hymn # 545

Moment by Moment

Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Preparation # 682

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Scripture: 1 John 5:1-13 (page 1741)

Message: “Jehovah”

*Hymn of Response # 118

His Name Is Wonderful

Offering and Offertory

**Doxology* # 815, Offertory Prayer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn # 426 (vs. 1)

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

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 Mark Bergsma

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Sharon Byington

Song Leader: Beth Pastoor

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: Marsa Barclay, Rich Soest

Sound: Scott Diekman

Radio: Kevin VanHeukelom

YouTube: Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

Praying with Pastor: Mel Disselkoen, Larry Palma

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, John Deppe Jr.

Coffee&Cookie Donators/Servers: Amanda Heyboer & Arabella

Opportunities for Worship and Service Next Week

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Shirley Lohman

Song Leader: Terry Grooters

Greeters: *North door:* Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Doug VanderMeer

Valet/Lift: Danielle Wagenmaker

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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 across from the church office. Thank you.

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

Pastor Harry and Beth are on vacation through Tuesday, August 19th. If you have a question or concern, please reach out to your Care Group elder or deacon. Any Prayer Chain requests should be directed to Marilee Takken, at the church office, 616-452-9417, or on her cell phone, 616-481-6216.

Freedom in Christ Course: This 12-week course, led by Tim & Sue Tacoma, is an effective resource to help every Christian become a more fruitful disciple. It gives you a framework for moving on to spiritual maturity that is transforming! The class will begin on September 10th, 6:30-8:00 p.m., and meet each Wednesday for 12 weeks. A light blue sign-up sheet is located in the hallway, and books cost \$13. Stop by the church office on Tuesday or Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m., if you'd like to see a sample of the book.



Fall Kick-Off Potluck: Join us on Sunday, September 7th, as Eighth Reformed celebrates a new season of opportunities. Following morning worship, everyone is invited downstairs to share in a time of fellowship and good food. The main course will be catered, and each family is asked to bring a salad OR dessert. However, if you are alone or unable to bring a salad or dessert, you are still MOST WELCOME at the potluck. Just be sure to RSVP on the GOLD sign-up sheets in the hallway by August 31st so we know how many people to expect.

Wednesday Morning Coffee & Donut Fellowship will resume on September 3rd, from 9:30-10:30 a.m. We are excited to welcome back all our friends and share good conversation and delicious donuts with each other once again!

Fall Hymn Sing: Circle the date on your calendar for our next Hymn Sing! It is Sunday, September 28th, at 2:30 p.m. featuring *The Sorensens* and *T²* (Tom Whittaker & Tom Kasper). Grandville Mayor, Steve Maas, will provide a musical prelude, so come 15 minutes early!



Quilting Group: On the last Wednesday of each month from 1-4 p.m. a group of women meet to work on quilts. Many of these quilts are donated to an organization who gifts them to those in need, and some are sold to the congregation at the end of the year to raise money for supplies. The group could use a few more helpers to fold, cut, pin, tie knots, tape, etc. Even if you've never "quilted" before, the ladies will teach you! They meet again on August 27th, so come and share your talents with others!

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

- ❖ John Deppe's nephew, Dan Rotman, had a kidney transplant on Friday, August 8th. The surgery went well and he is on the road to recovery. Praise God for answered prayer!

- ❖ Jim VerStrate has been dealing with extreme pain caused by a leg ulcer. He's under the care of a wound clinic, but spent all day Tuesday in the ER as doctors tried to find the right medication combination to give him some relief. The wound and ongoing pain have also affected his mobility.
- ❖ Kay DeVries has been experiencing a fluctuation in her blood pressure accompanied by episodes of dizziness.
- ❖ Kevin Herrema, son of Jim & Sally Herrema, was admitted to Trinity Health this past week after passing out during physical therapy. His blood pressure was very low and doctors suspect internal bleeding. He is currently undergoing further testing.
- ❖ Don Wynalda continues to be under Hospice Care.
- ❖ Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Roger Simmons and Michelle Strating (Dick & Lorraine Strating's daughter-in-law).
- ❖ Missionary of the Month: Please be in prayer for Seung and Amy Kim as they work with minority language groups in South Asia that have minimal access to Scriptures. Amy is an oral Bible storying consultant, and Seung is a Bible translation consultant.
- ❖ Those dealing with health issues: Pat Nyenhuis (Marv's wife), Pam (Joe VanBeek's wife), Barb Eash (Keith Warren's sister), Brian Herwyer (Tim Tacoma's brother-in-law), Joy Stulp, Denise (Marcia VanEeuwen's sister), Kathy Misiak, JoAnne Sleeth, Robert DeYoung, Don Oppenhuizen, Betty Holmes, Emily Dreyer (Larry & Mert Dreyer's granddaughter), Dan Luyk, Dave Heuvelhorst (Mary Roelof's brother), Lynne (Mary Roelof's friend), Ron Oostdyk, Helen (David Shaver's niece), Larry Rudnik, Ron & Jenny Benedict, Dave Conrad (Jethro), and Tim See (son-in-law of Marty Riemersma).

Notes of Appreciation

11,315 days ago Maury and I said “I do” and today we opened anniversary cards sent by you. We thank you all so very much and look forward to thanking you again when we reach 11,680.

~Love, Maury & Dorothy Cheadle

Thank you to everyone for the cards and kind words of sympathy in the passing of my kind and gentle husband, Herman. He is now free from pain and walking with Jesus! Thanks to Pastor Harry and all involved in Herm’s Celebration of Life. A special thank you to the ladies of the church for the lovely prayer shawl. Also, thank you for my birthday cards. It was a bittersweet day. I am so blessed by my 8th Church family. ~Cheryl Schellenberg

I want to thank all my church goers for the many cards and well wishes for my birthday. ~Jake VanderHart

Sermon Notes