

Eighth Reformed Church

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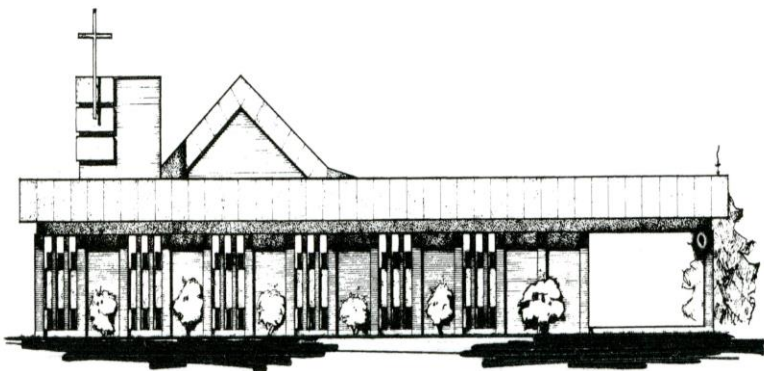
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"God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . ."

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, September 21, 2025 - 9:30 am
Order of Worship

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn # 499 (vs. 1,2,4) *I Will Sing the Wondrous Story*

Opening Prayer

Special Music: Roger & Kathie Billings

Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Preparation # 406 *Wonderful Words of Life*

Scripture: Matthew 21:33-46 (page 1407)
Isaiah 5:1-7 (page 978)

Message: “The Kingdom of God in a Nutshell”

*Hymn of Response # 403 (vs. 1,2,4)
Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Offering and Offertory

**Doxology* # 815, Offertory Prayer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn # 436 (vs. 1)

Freely, Freely

Postlude

(*Please stand if you are able.)

Welcome!

Welcome to Eighth Reformed Church on this Lord's Day. What an encouragement it is to have you with us! If you are visiting with us this morning, 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. Choir rehearsal.

Adult Sunday School.

Young People's Sunday School.

Monday:

1:00 p.m. Monday Bible Study.

Wednesday:

9:30 a.m. Coffee & Donut Fellowship Time.

10:45 a.m. Music Team Meeting.

1:00 p.m. Quilting Ministry meets.

6:30 p.m. Freedom in Christ Class.

Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Sharon Byington

Song Leader: Terry Grooters

Greeters: North door: Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Jeff VanMeekeren

Valet/Lift: Danielle Wagenmaker

Parking Lot Guard: TBA

Ushers: John Deppe Jr., Larry Rudnik

Sound: Scott Diekman

Radio: Beth Koops

YouTube: Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

Praying with Pastor: Doug VanderMeer, Marj Hendges

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, John Deppe Jr.

Coffee&Cookie Servers: Mark & Mary Kroft

Opportunities for Worship and Service Next Week

Pastor: Pastor Mark Bergsma

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Shirley Lohman

Song Leader: Ron Engels

Greeters: North door: Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Doug VanderMeer

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Coffee&Cookie Donators/Servers: Marsa Barclay/Joy Hendricks

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 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 door. Thank you.

Attention Choir Members: We will sing next Sunday, the 28th, so please plan to arrive by 8:45 a.m. to warm up.

♪ **A Note of Thanks** to Roger & Kathie Billings for touching our hearts with their special music during worship this morning.

WOW – WHAT A SUNDAY MORNING TO REMEMBER!!

Our Fall Kick-Off Potluck last Sunday morning was more than a meal – it was a beautiful celebration of what our Heavenly Father is doing at Eighth Reformed Church. Seeing the family of God gathered together, sharing stories, laughter, and delicious food was very heartwarming. A huge thank you to everyone who made the event possible, including the Kitchen Committee and the Set-up/Decorating Committee. The Fellowship Hall looked like Fall had come to life! Your hard work and servant hearts created a space where joy could flourish. We are so blessed and God is so good!

Adult Sunday School Class: Beginning this morning, during the Sunday School hour, Pastor Harvey Hertz will lead a class on “Evolution and Creationism”. Pastor Harvey has been to the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter in Kentucky three times for Pastoral conferences and learning about creation-ism. We will look at the people responsible for the theory of evolution, the differences between evolution and creationism, and how the teaching of evolution impacts us today. Though it may not always be obvious, this is an important topic as people with a worldly view come in contact with people holding a Scriptural view of the world. The class will meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month and it will continue as long as there is interest.

Words of Hope Devotionals for October, November and December are available on the table under the Guest Book in the Narthex.

Sheets Needed: Our hard-working quilters are in need of bed sheets. They welcome sheets of any size and any color. Please leave donations in the Coat Room across from the Library. Thank you in advance for your support.

Security Alert: If you have a church key you are not currently using on a regular basis, please turn it into the office or to Bud. Thank you.

Looking for a 2026 Calendar? Stop by the library, look to your left, and check out the assortment!

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...just click on one and enjoy! You can also request a CD of any of our church services by signing the dark pink "CD Request" sheet in the hallway.

Hymn Requests: If you have a special song you would like sung during worship, please write down the name and number (preferably from our hymnal) and drop it in the black mailbox across from the church office.

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

- ❖ Joe VanBeek's sister, Brenda VanBeek's kidneys are shutting down and there are also concerns regarding her pancreas.
- ❖ Fran Schuiling's tests went well on Monday. Everything looked normal, however, she is still waiting on biopsy results.

- ❖ Kay DeVries returned home from Trinity Health where she was undergoing tests. She is receiving in-home therapy sessions for the next few months.
- ❖ Don Wynalda continues to be under Hospice Care.
- ❖ Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Lorna Bordewyk and Ariea Bosman.
- ❖ Missionary of the Month: Please be in prayer for Joshua and Alison Perkins and their family as Josh serves as a biblical trainer in the Arabian Peninsula and provides cultural background agility training to the Christians there. The training will set Christians and pastors up for success as they seek to demonstrate the love of Jesus.
- ❖ Those dealing with health issues: Don Oppenhuizen. Ashley (Don & Shirley Oppenhuizen's granddaughter-in-law), Brent Kerkstra, Jim VerStrate, Betty Holmes, Robert DeYoung, Pam (Joe VanBeek's wife), Barb Eash (Keith Warren's sister), Brian Herwyer (Tim Tacoma's brother-in-law), Joy Stulp, Kathy Misiak, JoAnne Sleeth, 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, Dave Conrad (Jethro), and Tim See (son-in-law of Marty Riemersma).

God
hears our
prayers
Psalm
116:1

Notes of Appreciation

Thank you to our dear church family for the many beautiful anniversary cards we were blessed with. ~John & Fay DeJong

Thank you very much for all the cards and well-wishes we received for our 51st wedding anniversary. ~Ed & Kathy DeRuiter

Sermon Notes