# 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 † Sunday, October 19, 2025 - 9:30 am Order of Worship

Piano Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn # 104 (vs. 1,2,5)

O Worship the King

**Opening Prayer** 

Hymn # 712

Be Still, My Soul

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn of Preparation # 435

God of Grace and God of Glory

**Scripture: 1 Peter 5:8-14** (page 1732)

Message: "The Adversary"

\*Hymn of Response # 151

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Offering and Offertory

\*Doxology # 815, Offertory Prayer

\*Benediction

#### **Postlude**

(\*Please stand if you are able.)

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# Welcome!

Welcome to Eighth Reformed Church. We're so glad you're here! 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.

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### **This Week's Events**

#### **Today:**

9:30 a.m. Worship, followed by coffee in the Narthex.

11:00 a.m. 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.

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

#### Thursday:

12:30 p.m. Pizza Lunch & Bunco.

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

Pastor: Pastor Mark Bergsma

Organist: Paul Kerkstra Pianist: Sharon Byington Song Leader: Terry Grooters Trumpet: David Ellis

Greeters: North door: Fred Diekman
Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Tim Tacoma
Valet/Lift: Danielle Wagenmaker Parking Lot Guard: TBA
Ushers: Larry Roelofs, Larry Dreyer Sound: Beth Koops

Radio: Kevin VanHeukelom

YouTube: Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

Praying with Pastor: Tim Tacoma, Keith Warren Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, John Deppe Jr.

Coffee&Cookie Donators/Servers: Danielle Wagenmaker,

Peg Potter

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

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops

Organist: Paul Kerkstra Pianist: Marilee Takken

Song Leader: Ron Engels

Greeters: North door: Fred Diekman Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Elder (post service): Jeff VanMeekeren

Valet/Lift: Jake VanderHart Parking Lot Guard: TBA Ushers: Larry Roelofs, Larry Dreyer Sound: Scott Diekman

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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.

A Memorial Service for Lorna Bordewyk will be held here at 8<sup>th</sup> Reformed this Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. Please keep Lorna's family in your prayers as they honor her memory with their friends and loved ones.

Pizza Lunch & Bunco for Everyone! This Thursday October 23, from 12:30-4:00 p.m., both men and women are invited to an afternoon of fun, food and fellowship with a pizza lunch followed by playing Bunco. If you have never played Bunco, don't worry, it is easy to play. Pizza, coffee and water will be provided. Please feel free to bring your own pop/juice. A suggested donation of \$5 is being asked to cover lunch. PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY on the orange paper in the hallway so we know how many pizzas to order. Contact Julie Aman, Dee Diekman or Diane Maitner with any questions or concerns.



Faith in Action: Danielle Wagenmaker and Peg Potter will be heading to Malawi, Africa this Thursday, Oct. 23rd through November 3rd. While there, they will be serving alongside churches in the Dzaleka Refugee

Camp, encouraging believers, and meeting practical needs within the community. If you would like to learn more information on how you can support them, support letters are available in the lobby for anyone who would like to take one. Thank you.

**Paul Kerkstra's Testimony CD's:** We've had many requests for our August 24<sup>th</sup> worship service, where Paul shared his powerful testimony. Copies are available on the table near the library.

Ladies, Save the Date! Our annual Christmas Tea will be held on Thursday, December 4th, in the Fellowship Hall. We are currently looking for 8 table hostesses. If you're interested in hosting a table, please see the red sign-up sheet in the hallway and feel free to grab a green Table Hostess Responsibility sheet next to it.

**Sound System Help Needed:** We could use one more person to help run the sound system for morning worship services or funerals. You would not have to do it often, just when the need arises. It is not a difficult job and you will be given as much training as you need. If that is a place where the Lord is leading you to serve, please talk to Scott Diekman or Beth Koops.

**Attention Choir Members:** We will sing next Sunday, October 26th, so please plan to arrive by 8:45 a.m. to warm up.

Winter Coat Drive: Winter coats are a necessity for Michigan winters. Not everyone has a coat. Over the next month we are collecting gently used and new coats for Alpha Center (the same folks we do the Diaper Drive for). There is a box in the Narthex to collect your donations. Thank you for your support.

For Your Information: SKLD Nursing Home, where Robert DeYoung resides, has changed names. The new name is Optalis Health & Rehab @ Kent Crossing (2320 E. Beltline Ave. SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546).

Cookie Donations: Because our church continues to grow, the amount of cookies needed each Sunday morning is increasing. If you'd be willing to assist in restocking our supply, please leave cookie donations in the small kitchen off the Choir Room. Thank you in advance for helping with this ministry.

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**

❖ Julie Aman will have surgery this Friday, October 24th, to remove one of her kidneys. Please pray for peace for Julie, wisdom for her medical team, and a smooth recovery from this major surgery.

- ❖ Pastor Mark & Judy Bergsma thank you for your prayers for Bob, their son-in-law Adam's father. Bob is wearing a heart monitor for 30 days to further prepare for possible liver transplant. It seems like a long journey and they appreciate your continued prayers for him and his wife Sara. Also, Pastor Mark & Judy's son-in-law Josh's mom, Elaine, will have cancer surgery in November. Please pray for Elaine (and husband Paul) as they prepare for this.
- ❖ Gordon & Cindi Ralph's 14-year-old granddaughter, Addie's ultrasound revealed swollen lymph nodes which will need to be monitored. The family is grateful it was nothing serious and appreciate all the prayers for Addie.
- ❖ Don Wynalda contunues to be under Hospice Care.
- ❖ <u>Homebound or in a Care Facility:</u> This week we remember Phyllis Blodgett and Ron Lankheet.
- ❖ <u>Missionary of the Month</u>: Please be in prayer for JJ TenClay, a Refugee Ministries Coordinator, who works with partners locally, nationally, and globally to provide compassionate, Christ-like care for refugees and displaced people.
- \* Those dealing with health issues: Ron & Jenny Benedict, Betty Holmes, Doug Peuler, Joy Stulp, Jim VerStrate, Kay DeVries, Don Oppenhuizen, Brenda VanBeek (Joe VanBeek's sister), Brian Herwyer (Tim Tacoma's brother-in-law), Barb Eash (Keith Warren's sister), Kathy Misiak, JoAnne Sleeth, Emily Dreyer (Larry & Mert Dreyer's granddaughter), Ron Oostdyk, David Shaver (David Shaver's father), Helen (David Shaver's niece), Larry Rudnik, Dave Conrad (Jethro), and Tim See (son-in-law of Marty Riemersma).

# **Notes of Appreciation**

Dear Congregation, Thank you so much for coming to my open house birthday party this last Saturday. I was so blessed and humbled by the wonderful turn out and all the kind words and well wishes. It was a SUPER time and you made it that. It was so fun and I am still riding high. I thank God for the blessed time we could have together as a church family. I thank my loving wife, Beth who wanted to do this for me. I am a blessed man. Thanks to Bud and Jodi for set up and Jake and Launi for all their help in serving. My cup overflows. Praise God!!

~Pastor Harry

Dear 8<sup>th</sup> Church Friends, Thanks so much for the prayers, cards, calls, and texts while I was recovering from my time in the hospital. It meant a lot to me. ~Kay DeVries

John Rickaby and Carol Rose wish to thank their church family for the many beautiful cards they received in celebration of their anniversary. Your thoughtfulness meant so much to them.

# **Consistory Notes**

- 147 people took communion on World Communion Sunday and 21 people will be served in their homes. What a blessing to share the Lord's Supper together and with Christians around the globe.
- There will be a Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

We have much to be thankful for at 8<sup>th</sup> Reformed Church.