Eighth Reformed Church

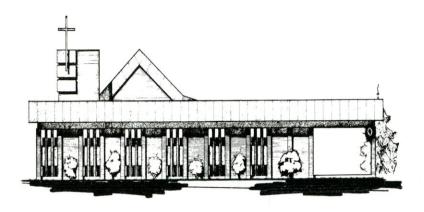
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"God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . . "

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, October 26, 2025 - 9:30 am Order of Worship

Piano Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn # 508

Love Lifted Me

Choir Yes, I Know!

Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Preparation # 710

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Scripture: Matthew 14:21-33 (age 1395)

Message: "Take Courage! It is I...Don't be Afraid"

*Hymn of Response # 438

Jesus Saves!

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology # 815, Offertory Prayer

*Benediction

Postlude

(*Please stand if you are able.)

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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.

This Week's Events

Today:

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

11:00 a.m. Choir rehearsal.

Young People's Sunday School.

Monday:

1:00 p.m. Monday Bible Study.

Wednesday:

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

1:00 p.m. Quilting Group.

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

Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Marilee Takken

Sang London: Pan Engels

Transport: Devid Ellis

Song Leader: Ron Engels Trumpet: David Ellis

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

Radio: Scott Pastoor

YouTube: Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

Praying with Pastor: Tim Tacoma, Keith Warren Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, Larry Roelofs

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

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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 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.



Kingdom Work: Please lift up Danielle Wagenmaker and her mom, Peg Potter, in prayer as they serve in Malawi, Africa this week. May our Heavenly Father keep them healthy and safe, so they can complete the task set before them, and

guard them from the schemes of "the adversary", so that nothing hinders the purpose of their trip.

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

Our Ladies Annual Christmas Tea is only 5½ weeks away! It will be held on Thursday, December 4th, in the Fellowship Hall. We are currently looking for 4 more 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. Sign up sheets for guests will be out soon.

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.

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.

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

- ❖ Launi VanderHart's sister, Nola, has multiple blood clots in her lungs and one in her right leg. Please pray that the heparin IV drip will dissolve them..
- ❖ Julie Aman had surgery on Friday, the 24th, to remove one of her kidneys.
- ❖ Rick Miller's mom, Donna Miller, fell and broke her hip late last week. Her surgery went well. Now they are waiting to see what facility she will be discharged to for therapy.
- ❖ Don Wynalda contunues to be under Hospice Care.
- ❖ <u>Homebound or in a Care Facility:</u> This week we remember Barb Eash (Keith Warren's sister) and Robert DeYoung.
- ❖ <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: Pam (Joe VanBeek's wife), Bob (Pastor Mark & Judy Bergsma's son-in-law, Adam's, father), Elaine (Pastor Mark & Judy's son-in-law, Josh's, mom), Ron & Jenny Benedict, Betty Holmes, Doug Peuler, Jim VerStrate, Kay DeVries, Don Oppenhuizen, Brenda VanBeek (Joe VanBeek's sister), Brian Herwyer (Tim Tacoma's brother-in-law), 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

Thank you for the cards and birthday wishes I received from this loving church family. ~Gordon Ralph

Thanks to all who remembered us with cards and well-wishes on our 64th wedding anniversary. ~Don & Judy Wynalda

Thank you so much for all the birthday cards and wishes for both of our birthdays. ~Kevin & Arlene VanHeukelom

I had to remove Don's 'get-well wishes' cards off the island so I could make room for allIll the birthday cards that my family at Eighth gave me. It warms my heart to know that you took the time and effort to remember my special day. "Thank you" so much for your thoughtfulness. ~Shirley Oppenhuizen

I am beyond grateful for the outpouring of love through the many birthday cards and greetings I was blessed with from my wonderful church family. ~Pastor Garrett Sweeney

Thank you for the beautiful birthday cards and wishes. It was a very special week for me. ~Bernice Palma

Pastor Howard and Mary Davis would like to thank everyone for the cards they received for their 14th wedding anniversary. They feel blessed to be part of a church family that showers love so generously.

Sermon Notes