# Eighth Reformed Church

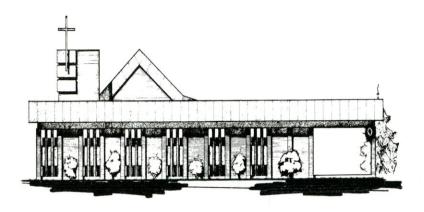
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"God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . . "

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, November 9, 2025 - 9:30 am Order of Worship

Piano Prelude

**Greetings and Announcements** 

Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn # 527

I Know Whom I Have Believed

**Opening Prayer** 

Choir Farther Along

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn of Preparation # 670

Make Me a Blessing

**Scripture:** Luke 17:9-19 (page 1493)

Message: "Have an Attitude"

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. Choir rehearsal.

Young People's Sunday School.

#### Monday:

1:00 p.m. Monday Bible Study.

#### **Tuesday:**

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl.

#### Wednesday:

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

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

#### **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): Mel Disselkoen

Valet/Lift: Danielle Wagenmaker Parking Lot Guard: TBA Ushers: Marsa Barclay, Rick Soest Sound: Scott Diekman

Radio: Jeff VanMeekeren

YouTube: Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer Praying with Pastor: Pete Rusticus, Shannon Wagoner

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, Larry Roelofs

Coffee&Cookie Donators/Servers: Amanda Heyboer

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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.

**Just a reminder,** if you'd like to encourage Dave Conrad (Jethro) as he recovers from his kidney transplant, cards can be placed in Scott Pastoor's mailbox.

Ladies Annual Christmas Tea: The time has finally come to sign up for our Christmas Tea! It will be held on Thursday, December 4th at 12:30 p.m. A light lunch will be served. Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway. If you would like to sit with someone, please indicate that on the sheet as well. We are still looking for 2 more table hostesses. If you're interested in hosting a table, please contact Diane Maitner, 616-481-6486, or Sally Herrema, 616-723-3516.

Praise Report: Danielle Wagenmaker & Peg Potter are home! We would like to express our immense gratitude for all the prayers and financial support for our mission trip to Malawi. We had such an encouraging time worshiping, praying and eating with so many refugee friends. We hope to hold a short time of sharing in the near future. Thank you so much! ~Danielle and Peg

Praying for those dealing with Chronic Conditions: As you can see, there is a separate category in the bulletin now for folks dealing with chronic conditions. If your condition is chronic, Marilee will be in touch with you in the coming weeks. You are also welcome to contact her. The Chronic List, similar to the Homebound or Care Facility List, will note two people each week, on a rotating basis. Please understand the necessity of this. Thank you for being faithful prayer warriors.

Congregational Devotional Project: We are looking for input from everyone (young, old and in-between!) at 8th Ref. in making a new daily devotional something like "Words of Hope" in the next year. You may submit something as short as a paragraph or as long as a two-page inspirational story. It could be a poem or a song about the holidays or a truth from God's Word that you would like to share. You may submit as many devotionals as you like either by putting them in Sue Tacoma's mailbox or sending to her email at <a href="mailto:sktacoma@yahoo.com">sktacoma@yahoo.com</a>. We would like your entries submitted by the end of this year, so that the devotional can be printed and distributed sometime next spring. Please attach your name to anything you submit. If you have any questions, see Sandy Workman, Mary Roelofs, or Sally Herrema. Thank you!

Winter Coat Drive – 1 Week Left: Winter coats are a necessity for Michigan winters. Not everyone has a coat. We are collecting gently used and new coats for Alpha Center through Monday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>. The need is urgent - families are lining up each day at Alpha in need of warm coats. There is a box in the Narthex to collect your donations. Thank you for your support.



**Veteran's Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>:** Whether at home or abroad, active duty, reserves, or retired, we thank all veterans for their bravery, selfless service, and sacrifices. "Greater love has no man than this; that a man lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:13)

Our Thanksgiving Offering (Sunday, Nov. 23rd, Wednesday, Nov. 26th, and Sunday Nov. 30th) will be designated for Project Bible Runners (referred by one of our members). They distribute Bibles in over 19 countries. The average cost for a hand delivered Bible is aroung \$7.00. Learn more about their mission at:

#### www.projectbiblerunners.com

Our goal is to collect \$3,500 for 500 Bibles. Prayerfully consider how you can help meet this goal. -8th Reformed Deacons

**Library News:** For the months of November and December we will have a special display of Christmas/Winter jigsaw puzzles. There will be a table set up near the library. Please help yourself - there will be no time limit on returning them. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Hoyle or Mary Roelofs.

Our Monthly Missionary: Please pray for Yohannes Bekele and his family as he serves as the Director of the Christian-Muslim Relations Centre at Mekane Yesus Seminary in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. In this role, he equips pastors, evangelists, and other church leaders with the tools to offer a sensitive Christ-centered witness to their non-Christian neighbors.

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**

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of Rena Remtema, who passed away on Sunday, November 2nd. She was Eighth's oldest living member at 104-years-old (almost 105), and a lifelong member. Her funeral was held here on Friday.

We celebrate Rena's home going and pray for God's comfort for all who will miss her.

- ❖ Lorraine Strating will be underoing tests this month on her lungs and heart. She is requesting prayer for good results.
- ❖ Pastor Mark & Judy Bergsma's son-in-law, Josh's mother, Elaine, had a double mastectomy this past Wednesday. Cards can be mailed to:

Paul & Elaine Yskes 487 Dune Ridge South St. Joseph, MI 49085

❖ Pastor Mark & Judy's other son-in-law, Adam's father, Bob, received the blessing of being matched with kidney and liver donors and had those transplant surgeries this past week. Cards can be mailed to:

Bob & Sara Dickerson 400 Lakeview Ct., 15-C Spring Lake, MI 49456

- ❖ Keith Warren's friend, Tom Noble, has a form of blood cancer which has come back more aggressively.
- ❖ Jim VerStrate returned home from Trinity Health last Friday, October 31st, and is doing much better.
- ❖ Don Wynalda contunues to be under Hospice Care.
- ❖ Those Dealing with Chronic Conditions: This week we remember Doug Peuler and JoAnne Sleeth.

- ❖ Those who are Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Marv Nyenhuis and Brett Roberts (Karen's son).
- ❖ Those Dealing with Health Issues: Donna Miller (Rick's mom), Julie Aman, Robert DeYoung, Dave Conrad (Jethro), Betty Holmes, Ron & Jenny Benedict, Brenda VanBeek (Joe VanBeek's sister), Brian Herwyer (Tim Tacoma's brother-in-law), Kathy Misiak, Emily Dreyer (Larry & Mert Dreyer's granddaughter), Ron Oostdyk, David Shaver (David Shaver's father), Helen (David Shaver's niece), Larry Rudnik, and Tim See (son-in-law of Marty Riemersma).

#### **Notes of Appreciation**

Thank you for your prayers, cards, and phone calls while I wasn't feeling well. They were very much appreciated. ~John Deppe, Sr.

Thanks to everyone who remembered my birthday with cards and birthday wishes. ~Thank you, Richard Strating

Thank you all for the prayers, cards, and concern you've shown over the past few weeks. Things seem to be moving toward a resolution now. I'm grateful for our church family. ~Doug Peuler

Thank you so very much for your prayers and concerns for my sister, Nola. She is home and feeling better. We are hopeful that the blood thinner will prevent more blood clots from forming.

~Launi VanderHart

Thank you to everyone who remembered my birthday with good wishes, lovely notes, and beautiful cards. Being a part of Eighth Church is such a wonderful blessing! ~Arlene Dekker

Over the past several months, Don endured the challenges of having both of his knees replaced. It was a real comfort to know that our church family cared enough, that they took the time to stop, and either pray, text, call, or give cards to Don and his "caregiver" wife, Shirley. We really appreciated that we could stay connected through YouTube & Jethro. Thanks so very much everyone.

~The Oppenhuizens