

Eighth Reformed Church

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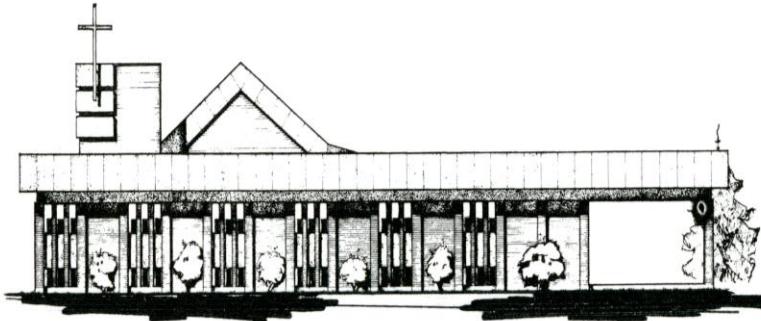
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"God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . ."

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, January 11, 2026 - 9:30 a.m.
Order of Worship

Piano Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Prayer

Choir *Song of the Soul Set Free*

Prayers of the People

Hymn of Preparation # 101

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Scripture: Isaiah 64:1-9 (page 1068)

Message: “The Potter is Our Father”

*Hymn of Response # 591 (vs. 1,2,4)

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

Offering and Offertory

**Doxology # 815, Offertory Prayer*

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn # 654

Change My Heart, O God

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. We're glad you came! Our prayer is that your time here will be uplifting and joyful. 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.

6:30 p.m. Consistory Meeting.

Tuesday:

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry.

Wednesday:

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

Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops

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): Doug VanderMeer

Valet/Lift: Jake VanderHart

Parking Lot Guard: TBA

Ushers: Larry Dreyer, Larry Roelofs

Sound: Scott Diekman

Radio: Jeff VanMeekeren

YouTube: Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

Praying with Pastor: Mel Disselkoen, Larry Palma

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, Larry Roelofs

Coffee & Cookie Donators/Servers: Karen Engelsman

Opportunities for Worship and Service Next Week

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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.

Today is the Final Day to submit names for Consistory positions, elder (1) and deacon (1), both 3-year-terms. As you pray over possible nominees, please consider the guidelines on the bulletin insert. Names may be submitted in the offering plate or given to current consistory members **TODAY**. Be sure to ask the person before submitting their name to see if they are willing to serve. No one is EVER obligated to serve in this capacity. Our retiring deacon is Larry Palma and Pete Rusticus is our retiring elder. Consistory will review the names submitted. After that, they will be submitted for the casting of lots at our Congregational Meeting on February 15th (held during Sunday School time downstairs in the Fellowship Hall).



Sanctity of Life Sunday: Next Sunday, January 18th, we will observe Sanctity of Life Sunday. A Right to Life table will be set up in the hallway with brochures, pencils, bookmarks, and other helpful information for you to take and share. A special offering will also be received that day for Grand Rapids Right to Life. Thank you for supporting this important and worthwhile cause.

Clarification on 8th Reformed Devotional: Thank you to those who have already submitted something you wrote for the new 8th Reformed Devotional! We can still use many more devotional-type stories, poems, or things you've learned from God. These are to be original stories or thoughts written by you and not from another devotional book or something you saw online. We hope to encourage one another from what we have learned or experienced in our lives that God has taught us. We will take entries until mid-February or until we get enough entries from the congregation. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Workman, Mary Roelofs, Sally Herrema, or Sue Tacoma.

A Hearing Loop System was recently installed in the sanctuary. If you have a hearing aid or implant, you likely have a feature known as telecoil or T-coil in it. It acts like a special antenna that picks up sounds directly from certain sound systems. Voices will transmit straight into your hearing aids, resulting in clearer and more focused sound by simply switching to the T-coil program on your hearing aid or cochlear implant. Receivers with headphones are available for people to use if they don't have hearing aids, or if their hearing aid does not have a T-coil in it. See Scott Diekman if you would like to try one out.

Our Monthly Missionary: Please pray for Blaine and Kathleen Newhouse as they serve at the English Language Congregation (ELC) of the Kingdom of Bahrain, a church planted by the RCA in 1893. The ELC is a depiction of the Acts 2 church in action with roughly 1,000 believers from over 50 countries. Blaine is the senior pastor there and Kathleen teaches at Al Raja School.

Important Information Regarding Church Cancellations: In the event that Eighth decides to cancel services and/or activities, please tune your TV to Channels 8 (WOOD) or 13 (WZZM), check your email for a Prayer Chain announcement, or go to Eighth Reformed's Facebook page. If you can't access any of this information, call either your elder or deacon on your Care Team and they will know. (To sign up for the Prayer Chain, please see the sign-up sheet in the hallway or call the church office.)

Prayer Concerns and Praises

We extend our condolences to Rick & Debbie Miller and their family in the passing away of Rick's mother, Donna Miller, on Sunday, January 4th. A private funeral service was held on Wednesday, the 7th.

May God's comforting presence give peace and strength to the Miller family as they mourn the loss of their dear loved one.

- ❖ Nick Rusticus took a fall on Monday night at home. Pete & Linda took him to Trinity Health on Tuesday and tests indicated he has a brain bleed and a broken bone in his foot.
- ❖ Larry Dreyer had a surgical procedure on his esophagus on Wednesday.
- ❖ Shirley Lohman had sinus surgery on Wednesday.
- ❖ Mel VanderWest and Don Wynalda are under Hospice Care.
- ❖ Those dealing with Chronic Conditions: This week we remember Ron Oostdyk, Tim See (Marty Riemersma's son-in-law), and Emily Dreyer (Larry & Mert Dreyer's granddaughter).
- ❖ Those who are Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Robert DeYoung and Marv Nyenhuis.
- ❖ Those Dealing with Health Issues: Ron Engels, Ron & Jenny Benedict, Judy Wynalda, Betty Holmes, Arvilla DeVries, Brian Herweyer (Tim Tacoma's brother-in-law), Bob Dickerson (Pastor Mark & Judy Bergsma's son-in-law, Adam's, father), Elaine Yskes (Pastor Mark & Judy Bergsma's son-in-law, Josh's, mother), Lorraine Strating, Jim VerStrate, Tom Noble (Keith Warren's friend), Brenda VanBeek (Joe VanBeek's sister), and Kathy Misiak.

Notes of Appreciation

Thank you to my church family for all the birthday cards I received. You all made my birthday that much more special.

~Mitch Farran

Thank you for the many beautiful cards I received this wonderful Christmas season.

~Dorothy Bartlett

I would like to thank everyone for the birthday cards. What a great church family!

~Kim Paffhausen

Thank you, 8th Church, for the many lovely Christmas cards and birthday cards I was blessed with. Your kindness touched my heart.

~Ron Oostdyk

Thank you to all for all the beautiful Christmas cards and gifts I received. I appreciated it very much.

~Glenn Bartman

My most sincere appreciation to those who so gracefully reminded me that I became one year older back on New Year's Day – oh yes! Thank you guys, really. And may the Lord grant me more happy moments with you all throughout 2026. My blessings and prayers go to each and every one of you.

~Manny Melendez

Dear Pastor Harry & 8th Church Community, Thank you for blessing Gladys with your visits, cards, and kind words. We appreciate the love and care you show for her. God's blessings to all in the New Year!

~Grace and Peace, Jim & Cindy Kessel

Thank you to my church family for all the cards and well wishes I received for my birthday. They were all beautiful and I really enjoyed reading each one. Thank you also from my son, Heath, for the gift bag with all the cards, goodies, and 2 painted "rocks". It meant so much to him to be remembered at Christmas.

~Kathy Misiak

Thanks so much for the birthday cards and kind messages given to me by my church family. God used your thoughtfulness to make my day extra meaningful.

~Fred Diekman