

# *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  
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June 14, 2026 - 9:30 a.m.

## Order of Worship

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn # 224

*We Have Come into His House*

\*Opening Prayer

Hymn # 747

*Sunshine in My Soul*

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn of Preparation # 724

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

**Scripture: Luke 4:18-21** (page 1464)

**1 Corinthians 11:23-26** (page 1635)

**Message: “The Real Story”**

\*Hymn of Response # 460

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

Communion (see insert)

Offering and Offertory

\**Doxology* # 815, Offertory Prayer

\*Benediction

\*Closing Hymn # 419

*The Family of God*

Postlude

(\*Please stand if you are able.)

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**Welcome!**

Welcome to worship at Eighth Reformed Church on this Lord’s Day. What an encouragement it is to have you with us. Our prayer is that your time here will be uplifting and joyful.

This morning, Christ welcomes us to His table. We invite all who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, to join in the partaking of this Holy Meal. Respond to His invitation and come, the table is set.

If you are visiting with us, 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 & Cookies in the Fellowship Hall downstairs.

**Wednesday:**

**6:30 p.m.** Women’s “Wounded Heart” Bible Study.

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

*Pastor:* Pastor Harry Koops

*Organist:* Paul Kerkstra

*Pianist:* Sharon Byington

*Song Leader:* Ron Engels

*Trumpet:* David Ellis

*Pre-Service Greeters:* *North door:* Fred Diekman

*Organ door:* Todd Riemersma

*Post-Service Greeters:* *East exit:* Tim Tacoma

*West exit:* Pastor Harry

*Organ exit:* Doug VanderMeer

*Valet/Lift:* Danielle Wagenmaker

*Parking Lot Guard:* TBA

*Ushers:* Ted Nelson, Tim Takken

*Radio:* Jeff VanMeekeren

*Sound:* Scott Diekman

*YouTube:* Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

*Praying with Pastor:* Doug VanderMeer, Linda Stolk

*Volunteer Deacons:* John Stapel, Larry Roelofs

*Coffee & Cookie Donators/Servers:* Pastor Harry & Beth Koops

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

*Pastor:* Pastor Harry Koops

*Organist:* Paul Kerkstra

*Pianist:* Sharon Byington

*Song Leader:* Pete Rusticus

*Trumpet:* David Ellis

*Pre-Service Greeters:* *North door:* Fred Diekman

*Organ door:* Todd Riemersma

*Post-Service Greeters:* *East exit:* Doug VanderMeer

*West exit:* Pete Rusticus

*Organ exit:* Pastor Harry

*Valet/Lift:* Jake VanderHart

*Parking Lot Guard:* TBA

*Ushers:* Ted Nelson, Tim Takken

*Radio:* Beth Koops

*Sound:* Scott Diekman

*YouTube:* Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

*Praying with Pastor:* Doug VanderMeer, Linda Stolk

*Volunteer Deacons:* John Stapel, Larry Roelofs

*Coffee & Cookie Donators/Servers:* Manny Melendez

## **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. Thank you.

**Attention Men's Chorus Singers:** We will sing next Sunday morning on Father' Day, so please plan to arrive by 8:45 a.m. to rehearse.

**What an Incredible Church Picnic!!** Everything — from the delicious food to the festive decorations to the fun guessing games — made the day a perfect “10”! Thank you to the Women's Ministries Committee for the love, planning, and hard work poured into this event. A great time was truly had by all.

**Graduation Open House Invitation:** Lucian Stegehuis would like to thank everyone for the graduation cards and good wishes. He would also like to invite the 8<sup>th</sup> Reformed congregation to his Graduation Open House this Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8 p.m. at his family's home: 4318 Fennessey St. SW, Grand Rapids MI 49534.

**Nursery Volunteers Meeting:** Anyone interested in helping in the nursery – or who has already volunteered to help – is invited to meet in the nursery this morning following worship. We will take a few minutes to create a schedule that accommodates everyone's availability. ~Thank you, Sharon Bowen

**New Ramp:** We are happy to share that a new ramp has been built and is ready for use! A BIG THANK YOU to Doug VanderMeer and Jake VanderHart for the many hours they dedicated to building it this past week. We praise God for blessing them with the skills and the servant hearts to care for our church family.

**Are you interested in Ballroom Dancing?** A Waltz Dance Class will be offered here at 8<sup>th</sup> Church, free of charge, starting after July 4<sup>th</sup>, with Amy West as the instructor. More details and a sign-up sheet will be available next Sunday.

**Cookie Donations:** Because our church continues to grow, the amount of cookies needed each Sunday morning is increasing. We are now serving a minimum of 12 dozen per week. If you'd be willing to assist in restocking our supply, please leave cookie donations in the small kitchen in the Choir Room. If you'd like to bring cookies and help serve on a specific Sunday morning, please see the sign-up sheet in the hallway. Thank you for helping with this ministry.

**Lost & Found:** If you are missing reading glasses, sunglasses, jewelry, or an insulated coffee mug, please check out the "Lost & Found" box in the coat room across from the library.

**Paul Kerkstra** is excited to celebrate his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and would like to invite his church family to celebrate with him. Everyone is invited to his cottage on Big Star Lake on July 3<sup>rd</sup> for an Open House Luncheon. You're welcome to come anytime between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. (Directions/map will be available next Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, not today as printed in last week's bulletin. We apologize for the misprint.) Please bring an outdoor chair. Kindly RSVP on the blue sheet in the hallway if you plan to attend. Thank you!

**Right To Life Baby Bottle Banks:** Just one week left to fill your baby bottle banks! Extra bottles are still available both upstairs and downstairs. You may return your bottles to the tables at any time, but our final collection day is next Sunday, Father's Day.

**Our Monthly Missionary:** Please pray for Chad & Dara VandenBosch as they teach resilient farming practices at New Harvest Farm in Mozambique, where weather conditions make farming extremely difficult. Chad & Dara serve in partnership with Audio Scripture Ministries, also providing palliative care and distributing audio Bibles. At the heart of everything they do is sharing the gospel in the language of people's hearts.

**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 the May Christie family. May passed away on June 8th, and had been a member at Open Hearts Church. There will be a celebration of her life here at 8th Reformed on June 19th at 3:00 p.m.

Please pray for God to comfort May's family during their season of loss and grief.

- ❖ Darlene Cimochowicz is at The Oaks in Belmont.
- ❖ Please keep Linda Rose in prayer as she recovers at home from her sugery on Friday, June 5th.
- ❖ Pete Rusticus' eye surgery went well this past Tuesday.
- ❖ Brett Roberts, Karen Roberts' son, remains in ICU in critical condition with multiple fractures, brain bleeds and lung issues.
- ❖ Betty Holmes was transferred to Optalis on 36th Street and would love to have visitors.
- ❖ Lorraine Strating was hoping to be discharged from Mary Free Bed this past Friday, and continue her recovery at home.
- ❖ Michelle Strating, Dick & Lorraine's daughter-in-law, was able to return home from Mary Free Bed.

- ❖ Mel VanderWest continues to be under Hospice Care.
- ❖ Those dealing with Chronic Conditions: This week we remember Ron Oostdyk and Helen Shaver (Dave & Tina's niece).
- ❖ Those who are Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Phyllis Blodgett, Robert DeYoung, and Ron Lankheet.
- ❖ Those Dealing with Health Issues: Jim VerStrate, Dee Diekman, Terry Pepper, Jason Olson (Tina Shaver's brother), Shane Sweeney, Ford Berghorst (friend of Larry & Mary Roelofs), Brian Bruxvoort (our missionary in Alaska), Ron & Jenny Benedict, Mark Davis (Pastor Howard's son), Ron & Barb Engels, Doug Peuler, and Brian Cripps (Jeff & Patty VanMeekeren's son-in-law).

### **Notes of Appreciation**

Thank you to my church family for all of the wonderful birthday cards and wishes. Each one was appreciated. ~Tom Larink

To everyone who remembered me with a card or wish, thank you for making my birthday so special! ~Marsa Barclay

We would like to thank our wonderful church family for the beautiful cards. They had such nice verses and they were greatly appreciated for our 51st anniversary. ~Terry & Lis Grooters

Dan and I want to thank everybody at 8th Reformed for all the sweet cards we received for our anniversary! It was so touching to get so many greetings. You are such a thoughtful church family. ~Dan & Sue Luyk

Faye Werkema and her family would like to thank the people at 8<sup>th</sup> Church for the prayers, cards, and support in the sudden passing of Faye's 63-year-old son, Scott Slabbekoorn, on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Your love and encouragement have been a great comfort to them.