

Eighth Reformed Church

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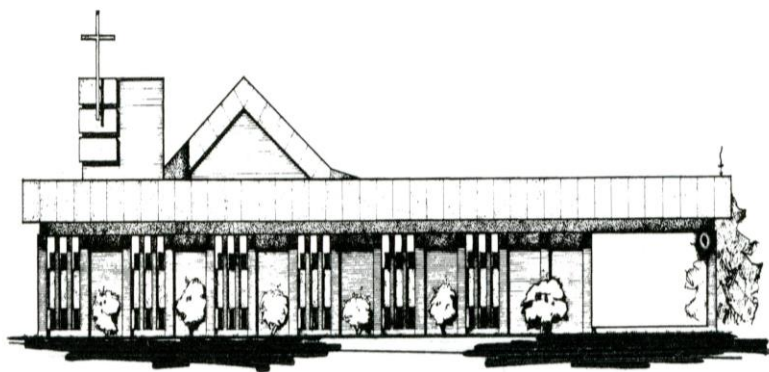
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"God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . ."

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.

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July 26, 2026 - 9:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn # 56

To God Be the Glory

*Opening Prayer

Special Music: Tim Tacoma, Keith Warren

Springs of Living Water

Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Preparation # 408

How Firm a Foundation

Scripture: Matthew 7:15-23 (page 1382)

1 John 4:1-6 (page 1740)

Message: “Recognizing Truth”

*Hymn of Response # 143

This Is My Father's World

Offering and Offertory

**Doxology* # 815, Offertory Prayer

*Benediction

Postlude

(*Please stand if you are able.)

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. 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.

This Week’s Events

Today:

9:30 a.m. Worship (nursery provided), followed by Coffee & Cookies in the Fellowship Hall downstairs.

Tuesday:

7:00 p.m. Ballroom Dancing Class in the Fellowship Hall downstairs, until 8:00 p.m. (last one).

Wednesday:

1:00 p.m. Quilting Ministry.

Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week

Pastor: Pastor Harvey Hertz

Organist: Noreen Lautenschleger

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 Harvey

Organ exit: Doug VanderMeer

Valet/Lift: Jake VanderHart *Parking Lot Guard:* Jodi Bultema

Ushers: Larry Dreyer, Larry Roelofs

Nursery: Mary Brooks, Sue Tacoma

Radio: Kevin VanHeukelom

Sound: Scott Diekman

YouTube: Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

Praying with Pastor: Pete Rusticus, Marj Hendges

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, Larry Roelofs

Coffee & Cookies: Danielle Wagenmaker (donate)

Karen Roberts (serve)

Opportunities for Worship and Service Next Week

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Linda Wolfe

Song Leader: Beth Pastoor

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: Danielle Wagenmaker *Parking Lot Guard:* Larry Roelofs

Ushers: Marsa Barclay, Larry Roelofs

Nursery: Deb Hoyle, Sharon Bowen

Radio: Scott Pastoor

Sound: Scott Diekman

YouTube: Dawn Blocher, Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

Praying with Pastor: Jeff VanMeekeren, Shannon Wagoner

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, Larry Roelofs

Coffee & Cookies: Marsa Barclay (donate & serve)

Joy Hendricks (donate & serve)

Phyllis Schuitema (donate)

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.

♪ **A Note of Thanks** to Tim Tacoma and Keith Warren for enriching our worship service with their musical gifts this morning, and to Sharon Byington for accompanying them.

Pastor Harry & Beth are on Beaver Island through this Thursday, July 30th. If you have a question or concern, please reach out to your Care Group elder or deacon. Any requests for the Prayer Chain should be directed to Marilee, 616-481-6216.

Bulletin Correction: Donna Moreno passed away on Saturday, July 11th. Her body was sent to Lintz Funeral Home in Indian River (up north) where she was buried near her family. We apologize for the inconvenience caused by the incorrect information in last week's bulletin.

Mailbox Card Distribution: The area near our church mailboxes can get a little congested on Sunday mornings, but for great reasons! With all that wonderful activity, it can sometimes be tricky to squeeze in and locate the boxes you're looking for. Beginning next Sunday, August 2nd, someone will be available to receive your cards and distribute them to the proper boxes for you, if you so desire. This small change should help ease the congestion while still keeping all the joy and connection flowing!

Join us for Sundae Sunday during Fellowship Time on Sunday, August 9th! Everyone is invited to head downstairs and enjoy a build-your-own ice cream sundae. Choose your favorite toppings, spend time visiting with friends, and welcome new faces as we share fellowship together. There is no cost – just come and enjoy!

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 express our sympathies to Connie VanderWest and her family in the passing away of her husband, Mel, on Friday, July 17th. Connie and JoAnne Sleeth are sisters so Mel was also a brother-in-law to JoAnne. Funeral services were held at MKD in Grandville this past Thursday.

May the comforting presence of our Heavenly Father sustain Connie and her family and bring them peace in their time of sorrow.

- ❖ Dee Dickman was admitted to the hospital on Tuesday after tests revealed that one of her lungs was filled with fluid. They were able to drain the fluid, but found it was not caused by the pneumonia she had been dealing with. Additional testing was being done to determine the underlying issue. She was discharged on Wednesday.
- ❖ Julie Aman was admitted to Trinity Health on Tuesday with a severe headache. She was discharged on Wednesday feeling much better, but will need further testing.
- ❖ Shirley Grit was released from Metro Hospital and is back at home.
- ❖ Linda Rusticus had total hip replacement surgery this past Thursday.

- ❖ Bob Rusticus was discharged from Haven Rehab Center and returned to his home at American House where he continues to recover.
- ❖ Larry Rudnik was released from Butterworth Hospital last week and is resting at home.
- ❖ Betty Holmes continue to be under Hospice Care at home.
- ❖ Those dealing with Chronic Conditions: This week we remember Pam VanBeek and Kim Wiggers.
- ❖ Those who are Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Glenn Bartman, Ariea Bosman, and Bob Noteboom.
- ❖ Those Dealing with Health Issues: Linda Rose, Brian Bruxvoort, Brett Roberts, Brian Cripps (Jeff & Patty VanMeekeren's son-in-law), Ron & Barb Engels, Darlene Cimochowicz, Lorraine Strating, Jim VerStrate, Terry Pepper, Shane Sweeney, Ford Berghorst (friend of Larry & Mary Roelofs), and Mark Davis (Pastor Howard's son).

Notes of Appreciation

To my wonderful church family, Thank you for the outpouring of love I received through your cards, notes, gifts, and wishes for my 90th birthday. A big thank you, as well, to everyone who traveled up to Big Star Lake to help me celebrate...it was a great turnout! Seeing so many dear friends all in the same place at the same time warmed my heart and brought me so much joy. I will always treasure that special day! And finally, a heartfelt thank you for the cake served at church during Fellowship Time last Sunday. What a sweet surprise and a blessing. I am deeply grateful to be part of Eighth Church, and I thank my Heavenly Father every day for placing me here at the perfect time.

~Paul Kerkstra

Thank you very much for the cards of condolences I received. I truly appreciated each one.
~Robert Moreno

Just a little thank you to everyone for the birthday cards and wishes. It was the most cards I've ever received in my life. I am blessed to have such a wonderful church family. Thank you all again!
~Your Favorite Secretary's Husband

Thank you so much for celebrating our anniversary with us! We were overwhelmed by all the cards, filled with sweet notes. Our mailbox never felt so popular. Praising God for His faithfulness to us and our families!!
~Mark & Mary Kroft

Thank you for the many cards I received for my birthday. It vividly portrays our family at Eighth Reformed Church.
~Maury Cheadle

Thank you so much to everyone who gave us an anniversary card! It was very fun to open them as part of our celebration of 41 years!
~Tim & Sue Tacoma

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