

Eighth Reformed Church

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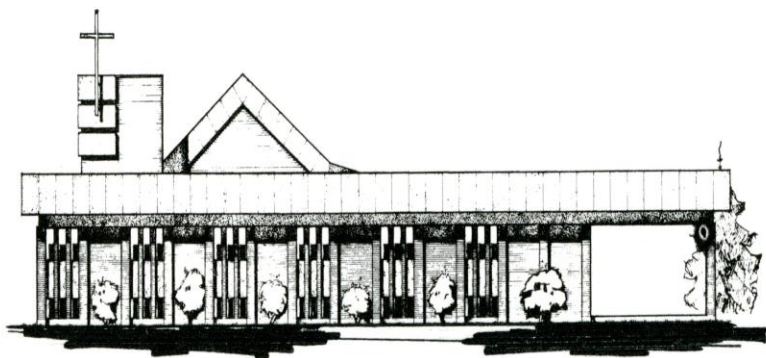
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"God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ . . ."

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 †
August 23, 2026 - 9:30 a.m.
Order of Worship

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn # 153

Worthy of Worship

*Opening Prayer

Special Music: Tom Whitaker & Tom Kasper

Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Preparation # 636

I Must Tell Jesus

Scripture: Philippians 4:1-9 (page 1674)

Message: “Pray and Let God Worry”

*Hymn of Response (see insert)

Did You Think to Pray?

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology # 815, Offertory Prayer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn # 743 (vs. 1) *Wonderful Peace*

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.

Wednesday:

10:45 a.m. Music Committee Meeting.

1:00 p.m. Quilting Ministry.

Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week

Pastor: Pastor Mark Bergsma

Organist: AnnJean DeVries

Pianist: Sharon Byington

Song Leader: Tim Tacoma

Trumpet: David Ellis

Pre-Service Greeters: North door: Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Post-Service Greeters: East exit: Jeff VanMeekeren

West exit: Tim Tacoma

Organ exit: Pastor Mark

Valet/Lift: Danielle Wagenmaker

Parking Lot Guard: Larry Roelofs

Ushers: Marsa Barclay, Fred Hiemstra

Nursery: Mary Brooks, Sue Tacoma

Radio: Kevin VanHeukelom

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: Judy Bergsma (donate & serve)

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Manny Melendez (donate & serve)

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 Tom Whitaker & Tom Kasper (T²) for enhancing our worship service with their special music this morning.

Pastor Harry & Beth will return from Canada this Tuesday, August 25th. 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.

Music Committee Meeting: The Music Committee will meet this Wednesday at 10:45 a.m. in Pastor Harry's office. Please check your mailbox for the agenda.

Missionary Visit: Next Sunday, August 30th, we welcome Stefan & Jenny Bacioiu, and their twins, Eli & Ellie, to 8th. They currently live in Atlanta but will be moving to Romania in September. Please join us during the Sunday School hour in the Fellowship Hall for their presentation while you enjoy coffee and cookies.

Fall Kick-Off: Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 13th, as Eighth Reformed celebrates a new season of opportunities. Following morning worship, everyone is invited downstairs to share in a time of fellowship and a delicious meal. Everything will be provided, just bring yourself! Please RSVP on the GOLD sign-up sheets in the hallway.

Coffee & Donuts will resume on Wednesday, September 2nd.at 9:30 a.m. We are looking forward to those midweek mornings of great conversation, sweet fellowship, and the joy of sharing donuts together once again!

Directory Update – Change of Address:

David Ellis
2340 Prairie Pkwy. SW - #204
Wyoming, MI 49519

Diaper Dash: Next Sunday is the final day to bring in diapers for our Alpha Grand Rapids diaper drive. Thank you to everyone who has already contributed – your generosity has filled our playpen twice! All sizes are welcome, especially sizes 5 and larger. Please leave donations in the play pen located in the coat room across from the library.

Our Monthly Missionary: Please pray for Justin and Stephanie Meyers as he serves as Director of the Al Amana Centre in Oman and she serves as Manager of Data, Monitoring, and Evaluation. Together, they work to create a safe, hospitable space for both Christians and Muslims to share scripture, fellowship, meals, and friendship. By doing so, they can live in peace within their communities.

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 condolences to Tim & Marilee Takken and their family in the passing away of Marilee's stepmom, Sandra Marston, on August 13th. A family graveside service will be held this Friday, August 28th.

We also extend our sympathies to Pastor Howard & Mary Davis in the passing away of his son, Mark Davis, last Sunday, August 16th, at Faith Hospice at Trillium Woods. A family graveside service will be held later this Fall.

May the love of our Heavenly Father and the prayers of friends and family bring peace and comfort to these families.

- ❖ Marceille Martinez continues to recover from her open heart surgery at Corewell Health Rehab and Nursing Center on Kalamazoo Ave.
- ❖ Amanda Heyboer's ribs and shoulder are healing well. Her neck is still quite painful, but she is beginning a new round of medication to help with the inflammation.
- ❖ Keith Warren's friend, Chuck Starnes, is battling sepsis. The infection affected his heart, and he underwent surgery on Wednesday to replace a damaged valve.
- ❖ Cheryl DeWitt has recently experienced a couple of concerning "spells". An MRI of her head revealed signs of a stroke, as well as a mass. She was scheduled to meet with a neurosurgeon this past Thursday.
- ❖ Ron Engels fell last weekend and broke his nose and is badly bruised. He is recovering at home.
- ❖ Betty Holmes is in rehab at Harbor Post Acute Care Center located at 2060 Health Dr. SW in Wyoming by Metro Hospital. (She loves visitors!)

- ❖ Lorraine Strating remains under Hospice Care.
- ❖ Those dealing with Chronic Conditions: This week we remember Helen Shaver (Dave & Tina Shaver's niece) and Pam VanBeek.
- ❖ Those who are Homebound or in a Care Facility: This week we remember Glenn Bartman and Shirley Grit.
- ❖ Those Dealing with Health Issues: Larry Rudnik, Linda Rose, Brett Roberts, Brian Cripps (Jeff & Patty VanMeekeren's son-in-law), Barb Engels, Darlene Cimochowicz, Jim VerStrate, and Terry Pepper.

Notes of Appreciation

Dear 8th Members, Thank you all so very much for all the prayers and cards I received during this difficult time of my mom's (Arlene) passing. She loved this church and was thrilled to praise the Lord here again. It makes me happy to see all of the smiling faces every Sunday, and don't be surprised if I ask to sit with you on a Sunday morning.

~Joy Hendricks

Many, many thanks for the many, many birthday cards I received from my church family.

~Jake VanderHart

Thank you for the calls, cards, messages and visits I received following my recent incident at work. I appreciate every expression of love and support from my family here at Eighth.

~Amanda Heyboer