

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 94.9 FM or 1530 AM. You can also listen to our service live on the web at Jethro.fm.

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October 18, 2026 - 9:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn # 101 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

Opening Prayer

Hymn # 354 *I Cannot Tell*

Prayers of the People

*Hymn of Preparation # 667 *Lord, Speak to Me*

Scripture: Luke 15:1-10 (page 1489)

Message: “Lost OR Found”

*Hymn of Response # 691 *Surely Goodness and Mercy*

Offering and Offertory

**Doxology* # 815, Offertory Prayer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn # 688

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

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 & Cookie Fellowship Time downstairs.
- 11:15 a.m.** Adult Sunday School in the basement.
Young People's Sunday School.
- 2:30 p.m.** Hymn Sing followed by refreshments in the Fellowship Hall.

Monday:

- 1:00 p.m.** Bible Study in Choir Room.

Tuesday:

- 2:00 p.m.** Bunco & Fellowship.

Wednesday:

- 9:30 a.m.** Coffee & Donut Fellowship Time.
- 10:30 a.m.** Women's Bible Study.

Opportunities for Worship and Service This Week

Pastor: Pastor Harry Koops

Organist: Paul Kerkstra

Pianist: Marilee Takken

Song Leader: Tim Tacoma

Trumpet: David Ellis

Pre-Service Greeters: North door: Fred Diekman

Organ door: Todd Riemersma

Post-Service Greeters: East exit: Doug VanderMeer

West exit: Pastor Harry

Organ exit: Tim Tacoma

Valet/Lift: Danielle Wagenmaker *Parking Lot Guard:* Jodi Bultema

Ushers: Larry Dreyer, Larry Roelofs

Nursery: Sue Luyk, Sharon Bowen

Radio: Beth Koops

Sound: Scott Diekman

YouTube: Nathan Wolfe, Doug VanderMeer

Praying with Pastor: Doug VanderMeer, Linda Stolk

Volunteer Deacons: John Stapel, Larry Roelofs

Coffee & Cookies: Manny Melendez, Amy West

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Nursery: Mary Brooks, Sue Tacoma

Radio: Scott Pastoor

Sound: Scott Diekman

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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. Thank you.

♪ **Today is our Fall Hymn Sing**, and we hope you'll return this afternoon at 2:30 p.m. for an uplifting time of worship. Be sure to come 15 minutes early to enjoy a piano prelude by Grandville Mayor Steve Maas. We look forward to singing many of our favorite hymns and sharing in a time of fellowship after the service in our Fellowship Hall downstairs.

BUNCO FUN: All men and women are invited to an afternoon of fellowship, laughter, and friendly competition as we play Bunco this Tuesday, October 20th, from 2-4 p.m. We invite everyone to bring their favorite snack to share. Coffee and water will be provided, but feel free to bring your own beverage of choice. Please sign the **ORANGE** sheet in the hallway **TODAY**, if interested – today is the last day to sign up! We would love to see enough participation to make this event possible. However, if we do not receive enough sign-ups, we may need to cancel. Should that happen, the Women's Ministry Team will contact you by phone. If you have questions, please contact Nadine Farran, 616-340-2937, or Diane Maitner, 616-481-6486.



Eighth Reformed Church's 135th Anniversary will be celebrated on Sunday, November 1st. God has been faithful through every generation, and we look forward to honoring this milestone together. Following morning worship, everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for a catered anniversary meal. So that we have plenty of food, please RSVP on the

BLUE sign-up sheets in the hallway or downstairs. We will also celebrate with a new church directory, highlighting the faces and families who make our church their home.

Attention Ladies: It's that time of year when we begin to start thinking about our annual Christmas Tea which will be held on Friday, December 4th, 2:00-4:00 p.m. We are looking for approximately 10 ladies who would like to decorate a table for their 8 guests and become a Table Hostess. Your responsibility would be to decorate your table, provide the table settings and interact with your guests. Please sign up on the **RED** sheet in the hallway. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Sally Herrema, 616-723-3516 or Willie Hiemstra, 616-322-8631.

Cookie Servers and Donators Needed: We are seeking volunteers to donate cookies and assist with serving during our Sunday morning fellowship time for the upcoming months. Duties include providing a few dozen cookies, placing them on serving trays, and filling cups with coffee. If you are willing to help with this ministry of hospitality, please sign the sheet in the hallway or call the church office, 616-452-9417.

Attention Choir Members: We will sing next Sunday, October 25th, so please arrive by 8:45 a.m. to warm up.

“Blessing Bags” Food Drive: There is still one more week to return your Aldi bag filled with food blessings for our Wyoming Family Network Food Drive. Sunday, October 25th is the final day to bring in your donations. A big “thank you” to everyone who has already returned their Aldi bags! We still have a few extra bags available for anyone who would like to fill another bag or knows someone who would like to participate (see Marj Hendges). The filled bags may be placed along the Burton Street wall in the lobby.

Carl Ahlquist, Pastor Harry and Beth’s friend who is in prison, was moved from Jackson to the Marquette facility. His new address is:

Carl Ahlquist # 189181
Marquette Branch Prison
1960 South US 41
Marquette, MI 49855

Offering Envelopes: It may seem a little early, but the deacons are using a new system next year for the distribution of offering envelopes, so they need to prepare now. Anyone wanting envelopes for the new year must sign the **GREEN** sheet either in the hallway or downstairs at Coffee Fellowship Time – there will be a sheet at each location. Everyone will most likely receive a new envelope number, so even if you have extra envelopes left from your existing box, you will still need to sign the sheet. Please contact Marj Hendges with any questions.

Our Monthly Missionary: Please pray for Camron & Ashley Staal as they minister to the deaf community of the Caribbean Christian Center for the Deaf (CCCD). CCCD provides the deaf with accessible education, authentic community, and knowledge of the gospel through the operation of one deaf village and three residential schools for children who are deaf.

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

- ❖ Laura VanHeest continues to receive care at Trinity Hospital.
- ❖ Jake VanderHart is awaiting biopsy results. He has an appointment with his doctor on Tuesday.
- ❖ Marcia VanEeuwen's 2-year-old grandson, Agustin, had an appointment in Philadelphia this past Tuesday. His eyelid surgery has now been scheduled for November 13th, also in Philadelphia.
- ❖ Faye Werkema (Jethro listener) fell earlier this month and broke her hip, which required surgery. She is currently recovering at a rehabilitation facility and will remain there until she is strong enough to return home. Faye covets our prayers, and a card would be a wonderful way to lift her spirits:

Faye Werkema
1045 Amberwood W. Dr. SW
Byron Center, MI 49315

- ❖ Those dealing with Chronic Conditions: This week we remember Heath Misiak (Kathy's son), David Shaver (Dave's father), and Kim Wiggers.
- ❖ Those who are Homebound or in a Care Facility. This week we remember Glenn Bartman and Shirley Grit.
- ❖ Those Dealing with Health Issues: Sherry Butterfield, Larry Rudnik, Janet Bair (Jethro listener), Larry Lubben, Mark Kroft, Brianna (Tom Campbell & Carol VanWyk's granddaughter), Tina Shaver, Carla (Dave Shaver's sister), Marceille Martinez, and Linda Rose.

† *Prayer Changes Things* †

Notes of Appreciation

Thank you for the cards we both received for our birthdays. It was pure joy opening all of them! We appreciate everyone who took the time to remember us. ~Kevin & Arlene VanHeukelom

I feel truly blessed and thankful for the abundance of birthday cards and greetings I received from my wonderful church family. Your kindness and love touched my heart.
~Pastor Garrett Sweeney

Thank you to my 8th family for your prayers for my son, Brett. It's been a long and difficult time since his stroke in 2022 and many returns to the hospital. He is home after his fall on June 6th but very weak and not much progress. Your prayers are much appreciated – thank you.
~Karen Roberts