

# Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship our Lord and King

9 December 2018

**Welcome!** Thanks for coming. If you're new, please fill out a connect card (found in the bench rack), and drop it in the offering plate when it's passed, or give it to one of the people standing by the doors at the end of the service.

This is the second Sunday of Advent, and as we focus on God's radical hospitality for us, we are going to look at Joseph's decision to either marry or divorce Mary. Through that decision, we'll see how Joseph models God's profound love for us.

## Order of worship

Prelude	<i>What Child Is This?</i>
<i>Noreen Reitsma</i>	
Welcome	
Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>His Name Is Wonderful</i> <i>There's Just Something About That Name</i> <i>Blessed Be the Name</i> <i>For He Alone Is Worthy</i>
Advent Wreath	
Prayer	
Our Giving	<i>Go Tell It On The Mountain</i> (piano solo) <i>Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 3</i>
Kingdom Prayers	
Message	<b>Radical Hospitality 2 - Messy Love</b> <i>Matthew 1:18-25 (p.933)</i>
<i>Pastor Eric Schalk</i>	
Singing	<i>Oh, How I Love Jesus</i>
Benediction	

This week at **Fourth**

<b>Today</b>	<b>Nursery</b>	<i>Paul Baragar, Nancy Aukeman</i> <i>Next week: B. Coutchie, L. Berthiaume</i>
	<b>Children's Worship</b>	<i>Amy Baragar, Erin B., Kate S.</i> <i>Next week: Haju Kim, Addie</i>
	<b>Greeters</b>	<i>Scott &amp; Melissa Schalk</i> <i>Next week: Jeff &amp; Erin Broene</i>
	<b>Coffee</b>	<i>Tim &amp; Maria Dorn</i> <i>Kathy Burggraaf</i> <i>Next week: Beth Rossiter, Nancy Aukeman</i> <i>Scott &amp; Melissa Schalk</i>
	11:00 AM 11:00-Noon 11:15-Noon	<b>Kids Praise Team</b> <b>Kids Hope Prayer Gathering</b> <i>in Rm. 1</i> <b>Christian Education</b>
<b>Monday</b>	6:00 PM 6:00 PM	<b>GEMS</b> <b>Women's Study</b> <i>book of Mark</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 AM	<b>Women's Bible Study</b> <i>in the fireside room</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 AM 7:00 PM	<b>Men's Bible Study</b> <i>at New Beginnings</i> <b>Alzheimer's Support Group</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00 AM 7:00 PM	<b>Prayer Shawl Ministry</b> <i>at Rest Haven</i> <b>Men's Bible Study</b> <i>book of Romans</i>

## Praise & Prayer

We give praise that recent blood tests indicated that **Dave Portinga** has significant decrease in muscle stress throughout his body. His throat muscles are also working better and his walking is improved!

**Marilyn Frasier**, a former member, passed away on Monday and is now in the presence of her Lord. The service will be on Thursday, December 20 at 11 am at New Community Church. Visitation is on Wednesday from 6-8 pm at the Van Strien Creston Chapel and one hour before the service.

## Announcements

### Christmas Cards

The cards are in piles in the media center. Please consider picking up a stack(s) after the worship service and encouraging special members of our congregation this holiday season.

### Mission of the Month - Jeff & Lisa Boehm

While Jeff oversees the 14 ministries of Project L.I.F.E., Lisa continues to serve on the YWAM Bangkok community team. Although she has passed many of her responsibilities on to others, she continues to serve alongside the new Bangkok community team leader. She also continues to advocate for an informal Pakistani refugee school in their area. Lisa misses teaching these kids weekly during this season as her main focus is the teacher certification program. Jeff and Lisa ask us to pray for discernment as to whether it is God's purpose for her to serve the refugee kids with increased skill or to seek employment when she completes her course. Our offering for the Boehms will be received on December 23.

### Kids Hope

Thank you to those who gave donations for the Christmas gifts and helped with the party!

### Potluck and Christmas Carols

Join us on Sunday, Dec. 23, at 5 pm at the church for a potluck followed by a time of singing Christmas songs together. All are welcome to join for this time of fellowship and celebration of our Savior's birth together!

### Consistory Update

Kate Schalk and Megan McDowell came before the Elders this past week to make profession of faith. We praise God for his great work in the hearts and minds of these children. We look forward to their public profession in the near future.

### Family Meeting

We will gather after the morning worship service on December 16 to review and approve our 2019 budget. There is more information about the budget, and the elder/deacon process in your mailbox this morning.

### New Member Class

Starting in January, we will be having a new members class. We'll meet three Thursdays in a row to talk about theology, our denomination, and what it means to be a part of the Fourth family. If you're new, a long-time visitor, or just want a refresher, sign up today!. The first class will be Thursday, January 10 at 7:00 pm.

### Dutch Treat

On December 30, after the worship service we will enjoy a traditional Dutch food served on New Year's - **oliebollen!** Norm Schalk will be working on this treat in remembrance of Bob Burggraaf who frequently provided us with these tasty donuts.



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