

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

2 August 2020

Welcome! We rejoice we were able to worship for the first time in our sanctuary last week. If you are visiting this morning, we're glad to have you with us today. Due to COVID, we are asking that everyone sits only in the pews with cushions, and does their best to maintain social distancing in the rows. As well, we're asking everyone to wear their masks throughout the service today, if you are able. We're eager to worship the Lord, but we want to do so wisely!

This morning we enter the final chapter of Philippians. We'll be looking at Paul's words to the church as they endure internal strife, and external pressure. We'll see that Paul has some strong commands for how the people are to respond in the moment, and we'll see that what Paul tells us to do, is the very opposite of what our culture models.

Order of worship

Prelude <i>Worship Team</i>	<i>10,000 Reasons</i>
Welcome	
Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>Praise to the Lord The Almighty All Creatures of our God and King</i>
Kingdom Prayers	
Message <i>Pastor Eric Schalk</i>	"REJOICE...IN EVERYTHING" <i>Philippians 4:2-7</i>
Singing	<i>When Peace Like A River</i>
Closing Blessing	

Rejoice in the Lord always.

I will say it again: Rejoice!

Philippians 4:4

Praise & Prayer

Tim Randall was in the hospital most of the week receiving treatment for his lung. Tim had a procedure to put in a temporary drain for fluid build up, and they are still waiting to see what the next steps will be. Pray for patience for the Randall family, and pray that God would provide swift healing for Tim.

Pray for **Luke Bills** as he departs today for Job Challenge. Job Challenge is an intensive program that will help Luke learn a skilled trade, and be better prepared for the workforce. Pray that Luke and the family would experience this transition well, and that God will work through it!

Pray for the **consistory** as they meet Tuesday night. They will spend time thinking about fall ministry, and discerning next steps with NCN. Pray that the Holy Spirit would lead that meeting and provide abundant wisdom.

Next Thursday, a group of people will gather to brainstorm how we can best do CE, youth group, small groups and more this fall. Pray that God will give us some good ideas as we keep wrestling with how to minister to one another during COVID.

Announcements

Offering

Our offering this morning will be received following our worship service.

Mission of the Month – Mission India

Mission India extends their thanks for our faithful prayers during India's COVID-19 lockdown. They were able to provide close to 40,000 families with Relief Kits containing food, hygiene supplies, and the Gospel message. And they have already heard stories of people who received Jesus as a result of the Relief Kit being delivered to them. In areas where it is safe to do so, their partners are running the usual programs again and are thrilled to be able to resume Children's Bible Clubs, Adult Literacy Classes, and Church Planter Training! Pray for Mission India as they make wise decisions for the safety of everyone involved in their programming. Pray, also, for hearts to be newly opened to the Gospel in a time when hope is desperately needed! Offerings for this ministry can be given any time during the month of August.

Sermon Notes:

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Empowered by the Spirit
to **follow** Jesus together, **serve** others,
and **share** God's love.
