

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

14 March 2021

Welcome! 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, if you are able. We're eager to worship the Lord, but we want to do so wisely!

Why? Why does God often seem far off? Why doesn't life make sense? Why do we face sickness, struggle, and sin? Why do those things constantly threaten to overwhelm us? Why does it seem like God is often far off? Why does it seem like all we hear is silence?

Order of worship

Prelude <i>Worship Team</i>	<i>Yes I Will</i>
Welcome	
Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>Yes and Amen</i> <i>How Deep the Father's Love for Us</i>
Kingdom Prayers	
Message <i>Dr. Branson Parler</i>	THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO THE PROPHETS – WHY? Psalm 22
Communion	
Singing	<i>Blessed Be Your Name</i>
Closing Blessing	

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeter Phyllis Berrevoets Next week: Mary Kay Townley 6:30 PM	High School Youth Group Meets
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Men's Bible Study <i>in the Fireside room</i>
Thursday	10:00 AM	Knitting Group Meets <i>in the Fireside room</i>
Saturday	9:00 AM	Women's Bible Study <i>in the Fireside room</i>

Praise & Prayer

Please be in prayer for **Mike Brinks** and the doctors who are treating him for an enlarged heart. He had an echocardiogram done on Friday and is scheduled for a follow up with his cardiologist on April 7. Please pray for answers and a good treatment plan.

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month – The VanDyke Family

A little background...Joel lived and served in Guatemala City since 2003 with his wife Marilyn and their children Joelito and Sofia until recently when they returned to the states to care for their aging parents. Joel was the founding director of CTM Guatemala and now is part of Street Psalms through Christian Reformed World Missions (CRWM) in directing the Urban Training Collaborative. Joel earned a B.A. in Psychology and Social Work from Calvin College and his M.Div. with concentration in Urban Mission from Westminster Theological Seminary. He completed a D.Min. in Transformational Leadership for the Global City from Bakke Graduate University. Visit this website to learn more: <https://streetpsalms.org/about/> Please be in prayer for this vital work of furthering the Kingdom and consider becoming a gifting partner with your offerings this month.

High School

This week, we are back at it with another in-person youth group. 6:30-8:00pm. Wear a mask. Take your temps. See you all tonight!

Diaper Drive

1 out of 4 kids born in Kent County is born into poverty. While there are many great programs designed to help struggling families, there aren't many great resources for providing diapers to children in need. For the month of March, we are going to do a diaper drive, in partnership with Great Start Collaborative of Kent County, to support families in our community. We encourage you to purchase diapers on your shopping trips, and put them on the table in the hallway near the library. Diaper sizes most needed are 4, 5 and 6. Let's work together to bless those in need!

Sermon Notes:

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