

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

18 September 2022

Welcome! If you are visiting this morning, we're glad to have you with us today.

This week marks the beginning of a new sermon series, "The Good News." The Gospel is the good news that God's kingdom has come in Jesus. As his kingdom people, we need to know what it means to embrace, display, and proclaim that kingdom. We will spend time in Mark 1 looking at the foundations of the gospel of the kingdom of God, calling all of us to a renewed embrace of the gospel and renewed devotion to the King and his kingdom.

Responsive Reading

Prelude *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*
Worship Team

Welcome
Call to Worship

Singing *Lord, Our Lord, Your Glorious Name*
Lead Me, Guide Me
He Leadeth Me

Prayer of Confession

Singing *Cleanse Me*

Kingdom Prayers *Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 3*

Message **THE GOOD NEWS: KINGDOM COMING**
Dr. Branson Parler **MARK 1:1-15 (p.968)**

Communion

Singing *In My Life*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at Fourth

Today	Greeters	Jeff & Erin Broene Next week: Paul & Amy Baragar
	Nursery	Suzanne Bolt, Eliana Parler Next week: Caren Bills, Beth Rossiter
	Scripture Reader	Sarah Parler; Next week: Sam Dennis
	Children's Worship	Amy Baragar, Ruby Parler Next week: Brianna Tubergen, Eliana Parler
	Coffee	Steve & Jeni Wammack Next week: Aaron & Wendy Wetzel
	11:15 AM	Christian Education Classes Middle & High School Small Groups
	6:30 PM	Middle School Youth Group

Monday 6:00 PM **Fourth/Coit Cadets** at *Coit Community Church*

Tuesday 10:00 AM **Women's Bible Study** in the *Fireside room*

Wednesday 6:30 AM **Dude's Group - New Beginnings - Michigan St**
6:00 PM **Family Fellowship**

Praise & Prayer

Be in prayer for **Mike Brinks** as he was admitted to the hospital this week with blood clots in his leg and lungs. We give praise that he was released from the hospital on Thursday. Please pray for continued healing.

Please pray for healing and pain management for **Nolan Baragar and Amos Parler** who both suffered a broken arm this week.

We give praise that **Caryl Christians** was released from the hospital last weekend. Continue to pray that a suitable housing arrangement would be found for her.

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month: Joel & Marilyn VanDyke

As our mission of the month, the VanDykes have made several specific prayer requests. Rather than copy them all here, please see the attachments that were included in the Eblast this week, or pick up a copy on the table in the narthex. Please join in supporting them through the offering plate or on our website in September.

RCA Update – We will have a special congregational meeting next Sunday, Sept. 25 where we will vote on leaving the RCA, to join the Alliance of Reformed Churches. Absentee ballots are available upon request. In order to accommodate members of classis who will be leading this meeting, we will eat lunch together at noon. Church will provide Jimmy John sandwiches. Please sign up **TODAY** to let us know if you'll be there, and if you're willing to bring a side dish or dessert.

Helpers Needed - We are in need of sub/alternate CE teachers and people willing to lead and assist in Children's Worship. If you're able to help, please sign the sheet on the table in the narthex. Questions? See Amy Baragar

Adult CE Class - The Great Commission: 'go and make disciples!' Jesus said. Cool. But where? When? What do I need to know first? Don't I need a degree...or something official before I start that? How do I do that with all the other stuff I have to do? What does discipling someone even look like? These are the questions that we'll be discussing in this fall's Adult Christian Ed time. If you've ever felt unqualified, under-gifted, or overwhelmed by the idea of being a mentor and disciple maker, this time is for you. We'll meet today at 11:15 in the Fireside room to introduce the study book, *The Ways of the Alongsider*, and get underway. Books are \$10 each and strongly recommended, but not required. Please see Kristi Dennis with any questions.

Child Care

What? We need 4 people committed to serve in child care for our time of Sunday evening prayer, 2 in nursery (ages 0-4) and 2 for K-5th grade.

When? The first Sunday of each month from 5-6 pm, starting Oct. 2

Who? Anyone age 16 or older (preferably) who is willing to hang out with kids for one hour.

How much? These are paid positions. Talk to Branson for details.

Why? Because we want to be a community of prayer and enable parents with kids to participate in Sunday night prayer.

Thank You – “I want to say thank you to my loving daughter and best friend, Mary Kay, for making the day so special and to my church family for your loving kindness at my birthday celebration last week. God has richly blessed me and I pray God's blessing on all of you.” Marty Berthiaume

Cran-Hill Ranch 2023 - Are you interested in making memories that will last a lifetime? Please join our church family for our annual tradition of camping at Cran-Hill Ranch over Labor Day weekend next year. This is a time guaranteed to be filled with fun and fellowship. To sign-up for camping at Cran-Hill over Labor Day weekend 2023, please fill out the sign up form in the back of the church. If you have any questions, please reach out to Suzanne Bolt at suzannebolt@gmail.com or call/text her at 616.647.7559. We hope you will consider joining us next year! The deadline to sign up is Sunday, September 25. Please make sure to reserve a spot before it's too late!

Basement Painting – We are in need of people to help paint the walls in the church basement on Saturday, September 24. We will begin at 10 AM and a pizza lunch will be provided. If you can help, please sign up TODAY!

Middle School Youth Group

Tonight at 6:30, we've prepared a mysterious di...just kidding. Let's get started with youth group.

HS and MS CE Groups

We'll be starting up after church today. High School in the High School room upstairs and Middle School in the Middle School room. It's pretty simple really. See you after church!

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