

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

12 March 2023

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

This morning we'll see Jesus confronting the beliefs of the disciples and inviting us to consider what it means to work with other believers for the sake of Christ's Kingdom.

Prelude *In Thanksgiving, Let Us Praise Him*
Worship Team

Welcome
Call to Worship

Singing *We Give Thee but Thine Own
Have Thine Own Way, Lord
Give Me Jesus*

Prayer of Confession

Singing *God, Be Merciful to Me*

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

Message **SERVING CHRIST**
Rev. Eric Schalk **MARK 9:33-50 (P. 979)**

Communion

Singing *My Friends, May You Grow in Grace*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeters	Steve & Jeni Wammack Next week: Mike & Becky Berrevoets
	Nursery	Lynn Berthiaume, Julie Schalk Next week: Amy Coeling, Nevaeh Bills
	Scripture Reader	Erin Broene, Next week: Jeni Wammack
Children's Worship		Amy & Henry Coeling, Nevaeh Bills Next week: Becky Tubergen, Cindy Davis
	Coffee	Sam & Kristi Dennis Next week: Kongcheng & Haju Kimyang
	11:15 AM	Christian Education Classes Middle & High School Small Groups
	6:00 PM	Youth Group Meets

Monday 6:00 PM **GEMS** *in the Fellowship Hall*
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*

Thursday 10:00 AM **Knitting Group** *at Rest Haven*

Saturday 9:00 AM **Women's Passion Prayer** *in the Fellowship Hall*

Praise & Prayer

Dianne Waterloo is home and continuing to recover. Pray for Dianne and Sandy as they prepare for chemo treatments for her pancreatic cancer. Keep praying as well for strength and healing from Dianne's previous surgeries.

Continue to pray for **Mike Brinks** as he seeks relief from blood clots in his lungs that can make him short of breath.

Continue to pray for God's wisdom and guidance as **Bob Monsma** considers surgery options to bring about healing in his right shoulder, or that God would heal him without surgery!

Pray for **Bill Pyper** who is undergoing additional testing on his heart. Pray that doctors would be able to determine a good course of treatment. Pray for **Marty Pyper** as well as she goes in on Monday for right knee replacement.

Randy Reitsma expresses his deep thanks for your healing prayers this past week. The extreme pain from the large blood clot in his leg has decreased.

Congratulations to **Zak Slotman** and **Grace Wammack** who got engaged this past week!

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month: Joel & Marilyn VanDyke

As you know, the focus of Joel's ongoing work is Urban Ministry. One aspect of his work includes Street Psalms. They are following our own Lenten journey through weekly articles with ministry leaders in 25 cities across the world. As a sister church in an urban setting, beginning our own new mission to the city, I hope you find it encouraging! You can sign up on their website for their free newsletter. <https://streetpsalms.org/salvation/>

Please join us in supporting the VanDykes through your prayers and offerings this month.

"THANK you for continuing to support our work with Resonate Global Mission. I continue to raise 25% of my income through Resonate Global via church partners and that investment is making our ministry possible!" ~Joel & Marilyn VanDyke

Bridal Shower Helpers Needed

A bridal shower is being planned for Morgan Shride (Ryan Faasse's fiancée) on April 13 @ 7 PM. We could use a couple more people to help with the planning. If you're able to help with this, please sign the sheet in the narthex TODAY!

Tubergen/D. Faasse Care Group

The Tubergen & Dawn Faasse Care Group will be meeting on Sunday, March 19. Grab your coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall and join us at 11:15am in Room 1 for a time of fellowship.

Youth Group

Tonight, from 6pm-8pm, we're back with another exciting episode of Youth Group. In this episode, we'll be doing something new. Don't miss out.

Gardener's Update

As many of you know this is my first week and while it is not yet time to put seeds in the ground, there has been no shortage of things to do for me. I started pruning the fruit trees and putting together plans and meetings. You've heard this before and I'll say it again – These things succeed through prayer, so please be in prayer over the garden, NCN's final departure, and the neighborhood. Keep an eye out for volunteer opportunities in the very near future! Thanks to all the people who have approached me with their skills. Also, if you have spare money and God lays it on your heart, that's cool too.

Adult Christian Education - *Every Body's Story*

What are bodies for? When it comes to sexual ethics, we often focus on hot-button issues. But every body tells a story. Our bodies are part of much bigger stories, whether that is the gospel or some other story our culture tells. Looking ahead to April 23-May 21, Branson will lead us through 5 weeks of engaging his book *Every Body's Story: Six Myths about Sex and the Gospel Truth about Marriage and Singleness*. If you need a copy of the book, you can get one from Branson for \$15.

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