

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

19 March 2023

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

God has called us into a way of living that honors his design, yet our hearts lead us to make accommodations that better suit our lives. Through Jesus' teaching on marriage, divorce, and childlike faith, we'll see the way we are to receive the kingdom of Heaven, and faithfully live out God's will for our lives.

Prelude *You Never Let Go*
Worship Team

Welcome
Call to Worship

Singing *Goodness of God
I Love You, Lord*

Prayer of Confession

Singing *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (p. 2)*

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

Message **CHILDLIKE FAITH**
Rev. Eric Schalk **MARK 10:1-16 (P. 979)**

Communion

Singing *The Church's One Foundation (p. 277)*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeters	Mike & Becky Berrevoets Next week: Nancy Springfield, Etta Denbesten
	Nursery	Amy Coeling, Nevaeh Bills Next week: Sam Dennis, Haju Kimyang
	Scripture Reader	Jeni Wammack; Next week: Gideon Eising
	Children's Worship	Becky Tubergen, Cindy Davis Next week: Erin & Clara Broene, Christian Parler
	Coffee	Kongcheng & Haju Kimyang Next week: Beth Rossiter, Kathy Burggraaf
	11:15 AM	Christian Education Classes Middle & High School Small Groups Tubergen/D. Faasse Care Group <i>in Room 1</i>
	5:00 PM	Prayer & Potluck
	6:30 PM	Youth Group Off-Week @ <i>Ryan Faasse's house</i>

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*

Praise & Prayer

Dianne Waterloo is scheduled to begin chemotherapy this coming Friday. Pray for her and Sandy as they prepare for the treatments, and pray that God would use this medicine to shrink the tumor effectively.

Congrats to **Jon & Marissa Brinks** as they welcomed Amelia Ann Brinks into this world this past Sunday.

Marty Pyper had successful knee replacement this past Monday. Pray for her as she deals with discomfort, and pray that she would heal quickly.

Bob Monsma is scheduled for shoulder surgery on May 17. Please continue to pray for complete healing in his shoulder prior to that date.

Pray for **Pastor Eric** as he applies to participate in some learning opportunities this summer, while he's on Sabbatical. While his time off is an opportunity for rest, it is also a chance to learn and grow as a leader, so pray that he would be able to get into at least one of these learning cohorts.

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month: Joel & Marilyn VanDyke

Did you know? Joel wrote a book about ministry and mission, called **Geography of Grace** doing theology from below-with coauthor Kris Rocke. You may remember him talking to us about its premise: how Grace is like water, flowing downhill and pooling up, and finding the deepest reservoirs of this grace in the lowest places. It's the story of God's redemptive love and mercy. A word picture of His Grace to all of us - often seen most beautifully in our own lowest places. You can find a copy of his book in the library here at church, at Baker's or on Kindle. Please continue to support the VanDykes mission work this month with your prayers and offerings.

Tubergen/D. Faasse Care Group

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

Bridal Shower Invite

Women, please sign up for a bridal shower for Morgan Shride (Ryan Faasse's fiancée) on April 13 @ 7 PM. Morgan and Ryan are registered at Target, Crate & Barrel and Amazon. Please sign up by April 9.

Deacon's Report

Year-to-date contributions: General Fund \$44,574 which is 86% of our budget; Words of Hope \$1,110; Mission India \$2,081; Donations for The Gardens \$30,025, and we thank Betsy for her pie fundraiser for the DeLeon's, and all those who purchased pies, which has raised \$695 to help them with their moving expenses! Thank you for your continued faithful support!

Gardner's Update

Despite the snow and winter weather this week, I was able to finish pruning the trees. God has given the weather I needed at the time I needed - which is a not subtle metaphor of God's provision for us. Continue to be in prayer for myself and The Gardens.

Youth Group Off-Week

Tonight, from 6:30-8:00, we'll be invading Ryan Faasse's house for another great night hanging out and laughing at with each other.

Summer Camp Scholarships

Parents, are you sending your child(ren) to a faith-based camp this summer, and need help covering this expense? Some funds are available and if you'd like to apply for assistance with a portion of the cost, please pick up a Request Form in the narthex, and return the completed form to the office. Questions, see Ryan Faasse, Jeff Broene or Mary Kay.

Praise & Worship Night

Mark your calendars for a night of Praise & Worship at Fourth on April 21 at 7 PM. Plan now to join us as we praise the Lord together! Pick up a flyer in the narthex and invite your friends.

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.

Kitchen Use

If you use the church kitchen, please be sure to leave it clean for the next person. This includes washing and putting away any dishes, pans, etc.

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