

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

14 January 2024

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

In today's passage, we see Jesus on mission and we hear his commission to his twelve disciples. How should we continue that mission today?

Prelude	<i>Firm Foundation</i>
<i>Worship Team</i>	
Welcome	
Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>Your Grace Is Enough</i> <i>Come Thou Fount</i>
Prayer of Confession	
Singing	<i>Speak O Lord</i>
Words of Hope Video	
Kingdom Prayers	
<i>Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 3</i>	
Message	SHARE! – KINGDOM MISSION <i>Dr. Branson Parler</i> MATTHEW 9:35-10:8 (p. 942)
Communion	
Singing	<i>Living Hope</i>
Closing Blessing	

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at Fourth

Today	Greeters	Don & Betsy Coutchie Next week: Kurt & Dawn Faasse
	Nursery	Abbie Schalk, Erin Berrevoets Next week: Amy Coeling, Haju Kimyang
	Children's Worship	Nicole Donovan, Nolan Baragar Next week: Amy Baragar, Nevaeh Bills
	Coffee	Micah & Erin Meendering Next week: Etta Denbesten, Ed & Noreen Reitsma
11:15 AM	CE Classes & Middle & High School Small Groups	
6:00 PM	Youth Group Meets	
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Monday	6:00 PM	GEMS in the Fellowship Hall
	6:00 PM	Fourth/Coit Cadets at Coit Community Church
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Tuesday	10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study in the Fireside room
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Wednesday	6:30 AM	Dude's Group – <i>New Beginnings, Michigan St</i>
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Thursday	10:00 AM	Knitting Group at Rest Haven
	10:00 AM	Men's Bible Study in the Fireside room
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Saturday	9:00 AM	Women's Passion Prayer in the Fireside room
	9:30 AM	Church Leader's Training in the Fellowship Hall

Praise & Prayer

Praise God for more answered prayer for **Mike and Nancy Brinks!** Mike is doing really well and now able to drive again. He continues to make improvement and restrictions continue to be removed! Please continue to pray for Nancy as she undergoes some testing soon on her leg. Pray that the doctors will be able to determine how to treat her constant pain.

Branson's dad, **John Parler**, will be undergoing further tests and beginning radiation as some tests indicate that there is still some cancer present. Please pray for good results for the tests and strength for the radiation process.

Pray for **Tim Randall** who once again ended up in the hospital this week for lung treatments and feeding tube issues. Pray that God would sustain Dave & Linda as they lovingly care for him.

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month: Words of Hope – Words of Hope is featuring the country of Uganda this month! Last July we were introduced to the New Testament translation project in Uganda for the Kuku tribe. Today we will see a video reminding us of how our donations last July for WOH helped with this translation work. Pray for clarity in the translation work, that all original meaning in the Scripture will be preserved, and that this new written translation will begin to make a life-changing impact once it is completed. Donations for WOH can be given throughout the month of January. You can learn more about Words of Hope Uganda here: <https://www.woh.org/where-we-work/uganda/>

Small Groups – Those of you who signed up for small groups should hear from your small group leader very soon. Keep an eye on your email for updates!

Thank You – Marge Bolthuis wants to thank all of you who sent her Christmas cards, and for the notes written in many of them of special memories shared over the years. It was so great to reminisce!

“The Brinks Family would like to THANK everyone for all the prayers on our behalf, encouragement and cards sent. We praise the Lord for ANSWERED Prayers!! Mike was able to have surgery to remove blood clots from his heart and both lungs. It is done only in a few places in the world. Only one doctor does this surgery in Michigan. The Lord orchestrated it all to happen to heal Mike and Give Glory and Praise to Himself!! Thank you!” Mike and Nancy Brinks and family

Gardens Update – Set your calendars for February 3 for a Mac & Cheese Cook-off and family fun night! A perfect event in the middle of drab winter.

Rooted Youth Group – Tonight, we'll be getting the New Year kicked off with another crazy good program. We'll be cutting it a little short this week, so plan on going from 6-7:30pm this week. We'll see you there!

Rooted Off-Campus – On February 3, from 10am-1pm, we'll be heading to Mel Trotter to see how people are serving Jesus in the area of hunger and homelessness. We'll be spending a little bit of time seeing what different roles there are and then we'll have a chance to serve this amazing ministry. We do have a limited number of slots available, so sign up ASAP. Talk to Aaron, Jeni or Abbie for more info.

Consistory Update – This past Tuesday we had our first consistory meeting of the year. The following people were elected to serve as officers in the consistory:

VP – Steve Wammack

Clerk – Kristi Dennis

Deacon Chair – Micah Meendering

Treasurer – Paul Baragar

We hope to have care groups set up by the end of the month so that you know who your elder and deacon will be for the upcoming year.

Discipleship Small Group – Last Sunday, Pastor Eric challenged us to identify people who God may want us to disciple. What if we told you that it doesn't have to be scary, and can actually be encouraging, exciting, and fulfilling!!! Norma and I would like to invite you to join us in this journey of what it looks like to be a disciple maker. This study takes the mystery out of disciple making by joining us in reading Multiply by Francis Chan. Each time we meet you will read a chapter ahead of time, and work through some questions, so we can engage the conversation well. We have found that if you will put this time into it, we believe the benefits to your walk with Jesus will become more real as disciple making becomes more intentional in your life. You are invited! Here are some details:

- Day and time to be determined
- 24 lessons we will do either biweekly or weekly as the group decides
- Each person prepares one lesson per meeting from the Multiply book.
- Each time we gather there will be a short video, time to discuss the material, and we'll finish with a time of prayer.

Contact Tom and Norma if you have questions or would like to join our group.

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