

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

19 May 2024

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

This morning we'll consider what it means to be exiled believers waiting for Christ's Kingdom.

Prelude *Jesus Strong and Kind*

Welcome
Call to Worship

Singing *Before the Throne of God Above
O Come to the Alter*

Prayer of Confession

Special Offering for The Foundry
Singing *The Love of God*

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

Message **LIVING HOPE #6 – EXILES**
Rev. Eric Schalk | PETER 2:11-17 (P. 1177)

Communion

Singing *No Longer Slaves*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeters	Norm Schalk, Skip & Doris Hawkins Next week: Sam & Kristi Dennis
	Nursery	Kara Berrevoets, Julie Schalk Next week: Jeni Wammack, Erin Meendering
	Children's Worship	Erin & Siena Broene Next week: No Children's Worship
	Coffee	Kathy Burggraaf, Nancy Aukeman Next week: Bill & Marty Pyper
	11:15 AM	CE Classes & Middle & High School Small Groups
	6:00 PM	Youth Group Meets
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Monday	6:00 PM	Fourth/Coit Cadets Auction & Final Meeting of the Season 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 8:30 PM	Dude's Group – <i>New Beginnings, Michigan St</i> Men's Ping Pong in the church basement
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Thursday	10:00 AM 10:00 AM	Knitting Group at Rest Haven Men's Bible Study in the Fireside room
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Saturday	9:00 AM	Women's Passion Prayer in the Fellowship Hall

Praise & Prayer

Please pray for **Diane Christians** as she mourns the loss of her sister **Caryl** who passed away on May 10. Dr. Branson Parler will lead a graveside service on Monday, May 20 at 2:30pm at Rosedale Memorial Park, 50 Lake Michigan Drive in Walker, Michigan. All are welcome to attend.

Praise God for all the new neighbors taking part in the Community Garden. We've expanded the area dedicated for this ministry, and it is already filling up. Pray that God uses this space to build new relationships that bring people to Jesus.

Praise God for the work He has done in recent weeks to heal hearts, relationships, and even physical health! Continue to pray that He would bind up the hearts of those who are hurting, and bring healing to all who seek Him.

Announcements

Christian Education & Children's Worship Update

Today we wrap up Christian Education and Children's Worship for the school year. A huge thanks to our CE teachers Caren Bills, Betsy Coutchie, Evan Donovan, Dawn Faasse, and Brian Tubergen. A special thank you to Amy Baragar for her leadership and to all those who participated in teaching and assisting with Children's Worship. Thank you all for your investment in the lives of our children.

Missionaries of the Month – The Foundry

Did you know that The Foundry provides a pathway to ordination for those within the Alliance of Reformed Churches and Kingdom Network churches? Our Institute of Ministry Leadership is for leaders at every level, including those who are seeking pastoral ordination. These denominations are focused on competency-based education, which emphasizes the competencies, or outcomes, achieved by leaders rather than only focusing on credit hours or degrees. This approach opens up a number of pathways for people to seek ordination, including The Foundry's Institute of Ministry Leadership. Between our two hubs this year, we have about 20 people who are seeking pastoral ordination. Thank you for your generosity that helps to raise up current and future pastors of the church! Donations for The Foundry can be given anytime during the month of May with a special offering being taken during our service today.

Gardens Update – Sunflower Planting Days Are Coming

We start planting the sunflowers on the week of the 27th! If that is something you can help with, let Gideon know what day that week works for you and we will plant together!

Rooted Youth Group

Tonight, we'll gather for our last youth group of the year from 6-8pm. It will be a time of laughter and tears as we spend some time reflecting on our time together this year. Oh, and wear shoes you can run in and stuff.

Sermon Notes

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