Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship our Lord and King

5 May 2024

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

The gospel empowers us to love one another in the community of faith. In our text today we'll see some specific ways we are to love each other, and how that love is born out of new life in Jesus.

Prelude All Creatures of Our God and King

Worship Team

Welcome Call to Worship

Singing Who Am I

Because He Lives

Prayer of Confession

Singing How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Kingdom Prayers

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

Message Living Hope #4 – Born Again to Love

Rev. Eric Schalk I PETER 1:22 - 2:3 (P. 1176)

Communion Behold the Lamb of God

Singing Build Your Kingdom Here

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received following our worship service

This week at Fourth

Today	Greeters	Tim & Maria Dorn, Tim Brinks Next week: Dave & Judy Portinga
	Nursery	Amy Coeling, Haju Kimyang Next week: Abbie Schalk, Erin Berrevoets
Children's Worship		Cindy Davis, Nolan Baragar Next week: Nicole Donovan, Kate Schalk
	Coffee	Dan & Cindy Davis Next week: Kongcheng & Haju Kimyang, Beth Rossiter
	11:15 AM	CE Classes & Middle & High School Small Groups
	6:00 PM	Youth Group Meets
Monday	6:00 PM 6:00 PM	GEMS Last Meeting in the Fellowship Hall Fourth/Coit Cadets at Coit Community Church
Tuesday	10:00 AM 6:30 PM 8:00 PM	Women's Bible Study in the Fireside room Consistory Meets in Fireside room Elder & Deacon Meetings. Those who feel led to confess their faith, desire baptism or transfer are encouraged to contact Pastor Eric prior to this meeting.
Wednesday	6:30 AM 8:30 PM	Dude's Group – New Beginnings, Michigan St Men's Ping Pong in the church basement
Thursday	10:00 AM 10:00 AM	Knitting Group at Rest Haven Men's Bible Study in the Fireside room
Saturday	9:00 AM	Women's Passion Prayer in the Fellowship Hall

Praise & Prayer

Please pray for **David Bolt** who is deploying in the near future. Pray that God will protect him as he serves our country overseas. Pray for David's family as well as they trust him to God's care.

Nancy Aukeman continues to need our prayers as she adjusts to the diagnosis of Parkinson's disease and the new medications that come with treating it.

Phyllis Berrevoets made some great progress this week. Pray that her strength will continue to return and that she'll be ready to go home soon.

Caryl Christians (sister of Diane) appears to be in her final days. Please pray for a peaceful passing and for Diane as she grieves the loss of her sister.

Norm Schalk has been dealing with a significant arthritis flare up this week. Pray that he can get in to see his doctor soon, and pray that the pain would subside.

There are many folks really struggling right now. In this upcoming week, storm the throne of heaven praying for struggles with sin, physical illness, mental health, and relationships.

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month – The Foundry

This May, we are wrapping up another year of our Institute of Ministry Leadership courses. We currently have hubs where we offer Bible, theology, and ministry courses at churches in Zeeland (Alliance of Reformed Churches) and Portage (Kingdom Network churches). Over the past year, we've had 15 churches and over 70 individuals participate in at least one course! In addition to those two hubs, we will be launching two more hubs right here in Grand Rapids: one at Madison Church (CRC) and one at Fifth Reformed Church (RCA). We are excited to see God growing our ministry this way and raising up churches and church leaders who want to be equipped to serve the church on mission in the world! Donations for The Foundry can be given anytime during the month of May.

Thank You

Mary Proos would like to thank the church for all the cards and encouraging words they've received as she and Gary have been dealing with Gary's health. Pray that God would sustain them both as they pursue treatment for ongoing issues.

Gardens Update

Thanks for everybody's help yesterday around the church! It was greatly appreciated and we're so thankful for the projects we could get completed. Our first pizza night is coming up on May 15 at 5:30pm. Plan now to attend, and make your reservations by signing the sheet on the table in the back of church. Also don't forget about the signup sheet in the back where you can indicate if you're interested in helping in any areas in the Union Gardens.

Rooted Youth Group

We're coming down to the wire with youth group and only have two more for the year. So, we're going out strong to very strong. This week, you're gonna need your sneakers as we'll be doing some games that will require a little extra in the feet. See you tonight at 6.

Sermon Notes

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