# Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship our Lord and King

9 June 2024

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

In our text today we see Peter give instructions on how believers should treat each other and the world around us. Those instructions center on living in harmony. We'll unpack what that means this morning, and see how the gospel compels us to a life that in many ways is radically different from the world.

Prelude Hosanna Praise is Rising

Welcome Call to Worship

Singing 10,000 Reasons

Goodness of God

Prayer of Confession

Singing Be Thou My Vision

Kingdom Prayers

Message LIVING HOPE #9 – IN HARMONY

Rev. Eric Schalk I PETER 3:8-12 (P. 1178)

Communion

Singing Build My Life

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received following our worship service

### This week at Fourth

Today	Greeters	Ron & Marcia Schuur Next week: Dan & Cindy Davis
	Nursery	Cindy Davis, Nicole Donovan Next week: Haju Kimyang, Nancy Aukeman
	Coffee	Kathy Burggraaf, Sandy Moll Next week: Eric & Laura O'Brock
Tuesday	10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study in the Fireside room
Wednesday	6:30 AM 5:00 PM 8:30 PM	Dude's Group – New Beginnings, Michigan St Potluck & Play Men's Ping Pong in the church basement
Thursday	10:00 AM	Knitting Group at Rest Haven
Friday	8:00 PM	Youth Group Event

## **Praise & Prayer**

**Evelyn Ekkens** passed away early Wednesday morning. Please pray that the Father would comfort her family and friends as they mourn.

Pray for **Jeff & Lisa Boehm** as they take a break from the mission field and come to Grand Rapids this week for a little rest, and opportunities to reconnect.

We praise God that next week Sunday **Christian Parler** will be making his profession of faith during the worship service! We also praise God that we have the opportunity to formally welcome **Evan & Nicole Donovan** as members of Fourth.

Pray for Linda Randall's brother and former member, **Gord VanderVelde**, who had emergency quadruple bypass surgery on Wednesday. Please pray that his recovery would go well.

#### **Announcements**

Missionaries of the Month - Jeff and Lisa Boehm,

Youth with a Mission, Bangkok Thailand - equipping, sending out and supporting more Thai nationals in Kingdom ministry. Jeff continues to ask for prayer for succession planning for YWAM administration. The financial work and communication that Jeff has done is specialized, requiring a unique gift set, time to learn, and a long-term commitment. Pray that God will raise up a person for this role. Jeff and Lisa will soon be welcoming a new volunteer family (with 8 kids!) who plan to stay long term and hope to mobilize many people into missions. Pray for God's blessing on a fruitful ministry for them. Jeff has also been supporting the new Thai leader of the Rak Teh ministry over the last two years. Interestingly, they are working steadily to prepare Thais to leave Thailand as international missionaries as well! Our offering for the Boehms will be on June 23, but you may give anytime this month.

**Staff Transition** – This morning we honor Amy Baragar who has served as our Children's Ministry Director for the past 11 years. Amy is feeling called to step down from this role, and as she wraps up this season of ministry, we are incredibly grateful for the impact she has had on a large number of kids at Fourth Church. We look forward to celebrating her today after worship with cake and goodies in the fellowship hall.

Thank You – Phyllis Berrevoets would like to thank all those who encouraged her with visits, cards, prayers and thoughts during her recent hospitalization and recovery. Diane Christians wishes to thank everyone for the prayers and cards she received following the passing of her sister Caryl. A special thank you to Branson for leading the graveside service and for his words of comfort, and to all those who attended the service.

**Giving Update** – As we enter the summer months, we have currently collected 78% of our YTD budget. The last two months of giving have been rather low for our church body, which has contributed to this lower than normal number. We recognize that with record inflation, times have been challenging for many, so if you are struggling, we do invite you to reach out to a deacon for help. We also want to encourage everyone in the body of Fourth to prayerfully consider how to help financially support the ministry of this body.

Baby Shower – Ladies, plan to join us for a baby shower for Morgan Faasse on June 20 at 7pm in the Fireside room. Morgan and Ryan are expecting a baby girl in August and they are registered on Amazon. Follow this link to their registry site: <a href="https://www.amazon.com/baby-reg/3HKHEA3COLL5E?ref=br-search-v2\_desktop-res-1">https://www.amazon.com/baby-reg/3HKHEA3COLL5E?ref=br-search-v2\_desktop-res-1</a> If you're able to help with the planning, please see Kathy Burggraaf or Judy Portinga. If you're able to attend, please sign the sheet on the table in the narthex by June 16.

**Youth Group Event** – On Friday, June 14, from 8pm to midnight, we'll be gathering for a night of fun and connection. We'll be meeting at the church at 8pm sharp, so be there and bring \$15 for the activities. Call/text Aaron or Abbie for details. We do need an exact head count, so please let us know if you're going to make it.

**Gardens Update** – Thank you to everyone who helped with the plant giveaway last Saturday. We have given away thousands! Thank you to those also who helped to plant the sunflower field! Be sure to make your calendar and invite friends and neighbors to the Pizza Night on the 19th! And be sure to join us each Wednesday at 5 for Potluck and Play!

**Cran Hill Campout Coordinator Needed** – We are looking for someone that would be willing to be the coordinator for our annual Labor Day Church Campout at Cran Hill Ranch. Everything is set for this year's campout, but as soon as Labor Day is over, we will need to prepare for next year. Anyone who is interested or would like to learn more about what is involved is welcome to reach out to Suzanne Bolt by phone at 616.647.7559 or email: <a href="mailto:suzannebolt@gmail.com">suzannebolt@gmail.com</a>. As an extra incentive, the coordinator also gets one free night of camping as a courtesy for being the church coordinator.

**Martial Arts Class** – Sterling Heibeck, a member of Berean Baptist and neighbor to our church, is starting a martial arts class on our church grounds. The first class will be this Monday from 6-8pm in the back lawn of the parsonage. If you're interested, simply show up and check it out!

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