

# Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship  
our Lord and King

14 July 2024

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

As we conclude 1 Peter, we will see how Peter underscores the need to stand firm in the faith, no matter what may come. So how do we do that? Peter gives us the keys in this text.

Prelude	<i>Abide</i>
Welcome Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>How Great is Your Love Lion and the Lamb</i>
Prayer of Confession	
Singing	<i>Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me</i>
Kingdom Prayers <i>Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 3</i>	
Message <i>Dr. Branson Parler</i>	LIVING HOPE #14 – STANDING FIRM IN HOPE I PETER 5:8-14 (P. 1179)
Communion	
Singing	<i>Living Hope</i>
Closing Blessing	

Our offering this morning will be received  
following our worship service

## This week at Fourth

<b>Today</b>	<b>Greeters</b> Mike & Becky Berrevoets Next week: Tom & Norma Boehm
	<b>Nursery</b> Steve Wammack, Becky Tubergen, Ruby Parler Next week: Abbie Schalk, Erin Berrevoets
	<b>Children's Worship</b> Caren Bills, Liam Baragar Next week: Erin Berrevoets, Henry Coeling
	<b>Coffee</b> Paul & Amy Baragar Next week: Bob & Connie Scherpenisse
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 AM <b>Women's Bible Study</b> <i>in the Fireside room</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 AM <b>Dude's Group</b> – <i>New Beginnings, Michigan St</i> 5:30 PM <b>Pizza Night</b> 8:30 PM <b>Men's Ping Pong</b> <i>in the church basement</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00 AM <b>Knitting Group</b> <i>at Rest Haven</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 AM <b>Women's Passion Prayer</b> <i>in the Fellowship Hall</i>

## Praise & Prayer

**Mary Kay Townley** had successful hernia surgery this past week. Continue to pray that pain management would go well, and that she would recover smoothly.

**Eric O'Brock** was admitted to the hospital this past week after he collapsed from heart issues. Pray that the doctors can determine the cause of his heart problems, and pray that God would sustain the family through this difficult time.

## Announcements

### Missionaries of the Month – Words of Hope

The Lord has been at work in so many ways throughout India meeting spiritual, relational, and physical needs. AK Lama, India site leader, has emphasized the need to focus on the education of the middle-low class families of India. Through training on child protection and good teaching, teachers and tutors have been equipped with the skills needed to provide basic education for children in need. Through the provision of physical needs, the Gospel is able to continually be shared to both the young and old. Recently, Bible studies have brought together both new and mature believers and have more than doubled in size. These Bible studies have even been brought to remote villages where new believers are requesting to be baptized. Over 30 Vacation Bible School teachers have been trained to lead and teach children the importance of the Gospel message. Offerings for WOH can be given throughout the month.

### Gardens Update

Pizza night is this Wednesday. Be sure to invite your friends, neighbors, and fellow gardeners! If you are able to help with the making of the food, let Gideon know.

### **GEMS Girls Club**

There is nothing easy or fairy-tale like about being a girl today. Girls face unique challenges and unsustainable pressures in a culture of confusion about who they are and what truth is. Queen Esther got it. She may not have been perfect, but she is a perfect example to today's girls of how to live set apart in a faithless culture. She was a girl who could rise up in faith and stand her ground because she put her hope in God alone. GEMS will be studying Queen Esther this coming year and we are looking for women who would like to walk alongside these girls as they face this challenging world and help them to RISE UP and put their hope in God. Helping as a GEMS leader requires little or no preparation and is lots of fun! We would love to have one or two women join our team. Reach out to Erin Broene or Sarah Parler.

### **We Need You!!!**

Yep, you! How do we know it's you? Because you are filled with the Holy Spirit and gifted for service in the Kingdom of God! It may only be July but we are already thinking ahead to fall ministry kick-off. Please prayerfully consider serving the church as a Children's Worship helper, or a CE teacher for the young children's class, or a GEMS leader just to name a few. Don't let Aaron rope you into youth group though, he has enough volunteers. If children's ministry isn't your gift, consider starting a bible study group for women, or help serve on an upcoming pizza night. There are lots of ways to serve, and you may just have the gifts this body needs to do the work God's called us to!

### **Budget Update**

As of our last count, we are running at about 78% of our budgeted income for the year. Summer is busy and while time away to enjoy creation is great, we encourage you to not neglect to financially support the ministry of the church. Help us push that percentage higher in the coming weeks as we continue to press into serving God in numerous ways.

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

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