

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

25 August 2024

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

What does it mean that Jesus is "The Way" and how are these words meant to encourage us? This is what we'll ponder together this morning as we read through parts of John 14.

Prelude *How Great is Our God*

Welcome
Call to Worship

Singing *Great Are You Lord
Better is One Day*

Prayer of Confession

Offering for Mission India
Singing *Abide*

Kingdom Prayers

Message **I AM – THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE**
Pastor Eric Schalk JOHN 14 (P. 1045)

Communion

Singing *I Believe*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeters	Ken & Amy Coeling Next week: Phyllis Berrevoets, Nancy Aukeman
	Nursery	Dawn Faasse, Becky Tubergen Next week: Nicole Donovan; Helper needed
	Children's Worship	No Children's Worship this week – begins again in September
	Coffee	Etta Denbesten, Ed & Noreen Reitsma Next week: Mike, Nancy & Tim Brinks
	12:00 PM	Rooted Pool Party @ the Broene's

Tuesday 10:00 AM **Women's Bible Study** *in the Fireside room*

Wednesday 6:30 AM **Dude's Group** – *New Beginnings, Michigan St*

Thursday 10:00 AM **Knitting Group** *at Rest Haven*

Saturday 9:00 AM **Women's Passion Prayer** *in the Fellowship Hall*

Praise & Prayer

We praise God that **Eric O'Brock** came home this past week from his extended stay in the hospital. Continue to pray for Eric and the family as he continues to gain strength and adjusts to being home again.

Nancy Brinks continues to recover from knee surgery. Pray that God will provide increased mobility and strength in the days ahead.

Please pray for **Deb Baker and her husband Lyman** as he was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer again. Pray for hope and encouragement as they begin a new round of treatment.

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month: Mission India

Church Planters are tremendously important to support and encourage poor and abused families who try to improve their lives by worshipping idols to no avail. When they hear news of a God who offers peace and happiness, their anxieties begin to fade. Church Planters pray fervently and individually with families who have multiple needs and God miraculously provides for parents and children who are led to Jesus as their personal Savior. Mission India is so thankful that you are a part of this through your prayers and generosity. A special offering will be taken for Mission India during our worship service today.

Cran Hill Ranch

This coming weekend is our annual Cran Hill Ranch camping weekend. Y'all are invited to come up on Saturday to hang out with those of us choosing to live outdoors. Enjoy some time with the Fourth Family, and stay for the potluck at 5:00pm. Everyone is encouraged to bring a dish to pass. It could be a side, a dessert, or some epic entree. Also bring your own table service and beverages. Come and join us for the day!

Gardens Update

Thanks to the kitchen help and to everyone for coming out to pizza night. We had a great summer of pizza nights and this week was the tastiest yet! Be sure to mark your calendar for September 14th from 9:00am - noon, because that is when we are assembling the playground and Gideon can't do it alone. A sign-up sheet is on the back table! Lunch will be provided.

Elder & Deacon Recognition

We started the process a little earlier this year! Please prayerfully consider who God may be calling to serve our church in the coming year, fill out a ballot, and place it in the wooden box on the sign up table.

Thank You!

I would like to thank everyone who helped with my recent move. I appreciate you giving of your time and energy to get me to my new home. Thank you for being such a blessing! – Candy Parler

Rooted Pool Party

If you believe the weather report, we're going to have an absolutely pristine day for a pool party today at the Broene house! If you're in high school or middle school, join us from noon to 3pm! We'll have lunch and then go swimming. And we won't even wait the 30 minutes to get in the pool.

Rooted Kickoff

Sunday, September 8, we'll be kicking off the year with a visit to Abbie's for our first time together. More info to follow, but we'll start our Sunday night program on the 15th and then go every other week from there. Hope to see you all there for a rowdy good time!

Boys from first grade and up!

Join boys from Fourth Church and Coit Church at a club called Cadets. We meet on Monday nights and work on projects, earn merit badges, enjoy game time, and learn how God is at work in the world and in our lives. Plans for this season include field trips, hikes, ice fishing, camping at Mammoth Cave, Kentucky, and more. Here's the info:

Where: Coit Church (AKA Radical Grace Church), 600 Lafayette Ave, NE

Dates: Mondays (except the fourth Monday of each month), starting September 9

Time: From 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm

Cost: Dues are \$10 per year, the best value around

For more information, contact: Jeff Broene — 616-862-5552

Proverbs Reading Challenge!

We will be starting a new sermon series in September on wisdom for everyday life in the book of Proverbs. Here's how to join in the reading challenge: grab the Proverbs Reading Challenge sheet from the table in the narthex. Read a chapter a day and mark it off. At the end of the month, turn in your sheet with your name on it. You can do this three times, because we'll be in Proverbs for three months. At the end of the three months, we'll have a drawing for a few gift cards. The more months you do it, the better chance you'll have to win a gift card. And of course, just digging into God's Word together is a great reward in and of itself!

Nursery Helper Needed

We are in need of a helper for the nursery next Sunday. If you're able to help, please let Mary Kay know either by email: office@fourthchurch.com or by phone at 616.454.1561. Thank you!

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