Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship our Lord and King

13 October 2024

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

Our passage this morning deals with the folly of adultery, but we'll see that it speaks to all of us through the way our hearts wander from the Lord. We'll also see that our Lord is faithful no matter how far away we stray.

Prelude Always

Welcome

Call to Worship

Singing Great is Thy Faithfulness

Abide

Prayer of Confession

Singing Jesus Paid It All

Kingdom Prayers

Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 14 upstairs

Message Everyday Wisdom: Faithfulness

Rev. Eric Schalk PROVERBS 5 (P. 619)

Communion

Singing Give Us Clean Hands

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received following our worship service

This week at Fourth

Today	Greeters	Gideon & Taylor Eising Next week: Bill & Marty Pyper
	Nursery	Norma Boehm, Becky Berrevoets Next week: Amy Coeling, Josh Schalk, Eliana Parler
Children's Worship		Erin Meendering, Clara Broene Next week: Erin & Siena Broene, Christian Parler
	Coffee	Eric & Julie Schalk, Caren Bills Next week: Kurt & Dawn Faasse
	11:15 AM	CE Classes & Middle & High School Small Groups
	6:00 PM	Rooted Meets
Monday	6:00 PM	Fourth/Coit Cadets at Coit Community Church
Tuesday	10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study in the Fireside room
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Dude's Group – New Beginnings, Michigan St
Thursday	9:30 AM 10:00 AM	Men's Bible Study in the Fireside room Knitting Group at Rest Haven

Praise & Prayer

Keep praying for **all the folks** recovering from surgeries or health issues. Pray that they would experience God's comfort and peace while they regain strength.

Pray for **Tim Randall** along with Dave & Linda as they adjust to Tim being in a long term care facility. Pray that they would sense God's presence through this transition, and that Tim would adjust well.

Pray for folks who are considering elder and deacon nominations. Pray that God would give them clear direction as they contemplate this calling.

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month: The Foundry

The Foundry is an official training partner of two denominations that were formed from churches who left the RCA, the Alliance of Reformed Churches and Kingdom Network. These denominations do not have established seminaries but instead work with several partners to provide training for those seeking pastoral ordination. Currently, about 20 people are taking Foundry courses as part of their path to pastoral ordination. Please pray that God will continue to raise up leaders and pastors for these churches, and that the churches in these denominations will be open to the leaders that God raises up, including those who receive training through The Foundry. Donations for The Foundry can be given anytime throughout the month of October either online or through the offering plate with a special offering being taken during our worship service on October 27.

Congregational Meeting – Save the Date

We currently plan on having our annual congregational meeting on Sunday, November 10. We'll discuss the budget, select elders and deacons, and celebrate what God has done this year. Be on the lookout in the next two weeks for a letter regarding our 2025 Budget, elder and deacon recognition, and 150-year celebration.

150-Year Celebration

Next year, Fourth Church turns 150!!! We are beginning to brainstorm how we can celebrate this huge milestone. If you would like to be part of the celebration team, please reach out to Becky Berrevoets and let her know.

Staff Appreciation Month

Colossians 1:3 "Our prayers for you are always spilling over into thanksgivings. We can't quit thanking God for you!" How grateful we are for those who faithfully serve our Fourth family! It would be so encouraging if you could take a moment this month to let them know how much you appreciate their ministry with a personal note/email/message/kind word. Our staff includes: Pastor Eric Schalk, Pastor Branson Parler, Pastor Aaron Wetzel, Mary Kay Townley, Abbie Schalk, Gideon Eising, Evan & Nicole Donovan, Kathy O'Breen, and Tim Brinks.

Gardens Update

Be sure your calendars are marked for October 26, at 5:30. We will carve pumpkins and have a final pizza night for the year. This is a public event so be sure to invite people from the neighborhood! If you plan to attend, please make your reservation by signing the sheet on the table in the narthex so we have an idea of how many to plan on.

Thank You

Jan DeWeese wishes to thank everyone for their cards, words of sympathy and prayers following the passing of her son, Al. They are greatly appreciated and are helping her get through this difficult time.

Rooted

So, last week I said I wasn't going to do any more experimenting with games and stuff, but I can't help myself. I just need one more test, so we'll do some things that we've never done before and I'll apologize in advance. Join us tonight for another great week of fun at Rooted, from 6-8pm.

Bagels!

The youth group is raising money to send our kids to our annual youth retreat and we need your help! All you have to do is buy a ton of delicious bagels! (or just kindly donate money...we don't turn that down). We'll be taking orders for a few more weeks (sign up in the narthex), and delivering the first week in November. Contact Aaron or Abbie with questions.

Proverbs Reading Challenge!

Join with us for month 2 of the Proverbs Reading Challenge! Grab a sheet from the table in the narthex. Read a chapter a day, mark it off and at the end of the month turn in your sheet, with your name on it, to the box on the table in the narthex to win a prize. Whether or not you win the drawing, you'll win the prize of growing in God's Word!

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