

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

20 October 2024

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

This morning we're taking a short break from Proverbs to look at Peter's confession of Christ, the establishment of the church, and our need to recognize we are not powerless in the fight against the enemy.

Prelude	<i>He Reigns</i>
Welcome Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>The Church's One Foundation Praise the Father, Praise the Son</i>
Prayer of Confession	
Singing	<i>Your Name</i>
Kingdom Prayers	
<i>Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 14 upstairs</i>	
Message	CHRIST OVERCOMES <i>Rev. Eric Schalk</i> MATTHEW 16:13-18 (P. 950)
Communion	
Singing	<i>We Believe</i>
Closing Blessing	

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeters	Bill & Marty Pyper Next week: Marty Berthiaume, Mary Kay Townley
	Nursery	Amy Coeling, Josh Schalk, Eliana Parler Next week: Steve Wammack, Mary Kay Townley, Ruby Parler
	Children's Worship	Erin & Siena Broene, Christian Parler Next week: Don Coutchie, Liam Baragar
	Coffee	Kurt & Dawn Faasse Next week: Dave & Judy Portinga
	11:15 AM	CE Classes & Middle & High School Small Groups
Monday	6:00 PM	Fourth/Coit Cadets at <i>Coit Community Church</i>
Tuesday	10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study in the <i>Fireside room</i>
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Dude's Group – <i>New Beginnings, Michigan St</i>
Thursday	9:30 AM	Men's Bible Study in the <i>Fireside room</i>
	10:00 AM	Knitting Group at <i>Rest Haven</i>
Saturday	9:00 AM	Women's Passion Prayer in the <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
	5:30 PM	Pizza & Pumpkin Event

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.

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month: The Foundry

We praise God for a fantastic start to this fall! This year we have four hubs of our Institute of Ministry Leadership courses, located at The Bridge in Portage, Community Reformed Church in Zeeland, Madison Church in Grand Rapids, and Fifth Reformed Church in Grand Rapids. We have 80 learners from 20 different churches participating in these hubs! Please pray that God will bless and grow each of these learners through this time together. 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 next Sunday.

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 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, Kongcheng Kimyang, Kathy O'Brien, and Tim Brinks.

Thank You

"Thank you to all who prayed and sent cards and to those who supplied food or gift cards during my recovery. It was greatly appreciated to not have to worry about dinner every night after surgery." Caren Bills

"Thank you for all of the cards I have received. Thank you for all of the prayers that went up for me at the time of my surgery, and during recovery. I am progressing well, and hope to return to normal activities soon. God has been faithful. I give him all of the Praise, Honor, and Glory." Sandy Moll

Gardens Update

Plan to join us this Saturday, October 26, at 5:30 for our Pizza and Pumpkin event. 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 TODAY so we have an idea of how many to plan on.

Raising money for Rooted

We are raising money for the youth group here and would appreciate any help you can give! Please feel free to buy some bagels, drop off some pop cans, or we always are willing to just accept donations! We'll be doing our annual youth retreat at CranHill Ranch and any help you give will help kids get to camp to spend a weekend diving deep into living gospel centered lives. Talk to Aaron or Abbie if you have any questions. Thanks!

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.
