

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

10 November 2024

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

Our words matter. We can be quick to speak and slow to listen, even though scripture encourages the opposite. For the next three weeks we're going to look at Proverbs regarding our use of words and consider what it means for us to follow what scripture says.

Prelude	<i>Holy is the Lord</i>
Welcome Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>Open the Eyes of My Heart We Fall Down</i>
Prayer of Confession	
Singing	<i>Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God</i>
Kingdom Prayers	
	<i>Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 14 upstairs</i>
Message	EVERYDAY WISDOM: WORDS – SPEAK LESS <i>Rev. Eric Schalk</i> PROVERBS 17:27-28 (P. 632)
Communion	
Singing	<i>Is He Worthy?</i>
Closing Blessing	

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeters	Caren Bills, Barb Funckes Next week: Grace Wammack, Mary Kay Townley
	Nursery	Grace Wammack, Kate Schalk Next week: Beth Rossiter, Erin & Clara Broene
	Children's Worship	Nicole Donovan, Ruby Parler Next week: Becky Tubergen, Nevaeh Bills
	Coffee	Ryan & Morgan Faasse Next week: Gideon & Taylor Eising
	11:15 AM	CE Classes & Middle & High School Small Groups
12:00 PM	Congregational Meeting & Lunch	
6:00 PM	Rooted Meets	

Monday	6:00 PM	Fourth/Coit Cadets <i>at Coit Community Church</i>
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Tuesday	10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study <i>in the Fireside room</i>
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Wednesday	6:30 AM	Dude's Group – <i>New Beginnings, Michigan St</i>
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Thursday	9:30 AM	Men's Bible Study <i>in the Fireside room</i>
	10:00 AM	Knitting Group <i>at Rest Haven</i>

Praise & Prayer

We praise God that **Sandy, Nancy, and Caren** are all doing much better after their recent surgeries. Keep praying their bodies heal well in the coming weeks.

Deb Robinson's dad passed away Tuesday evening after suffering a stroke. Pray for Deb and her family as they mourn his passing.

Pray for God's grace in the coming weeks as folks process and respond to the current election cycle.

Announcements

Congregational Meeting – Lunch too!!!

We will have our annual congregational meeting TODAY at noon. We'll start with a light lunch catered by Jimmy Johns and accompanied by your delicious side dishes and desserts. After eating we'll discuss the budget, select elders and deacons, celebrate what God has done in 2024 and look to the year ahead to see where God is leading.

A Few Facilities Things...

This morning we ask that kids stay out of the basement after worship. We've had some water issues in the youth lounge and things are discombobulated. Also, we'd love help keeping cookies and juice boxes in the fellowship hall. The past few weeks we've had cookie crumbs all over the building, and empty juice boxes too. If you happen to see some trash laying around, don't hesitate to help by picking it up.

**Missionaries of the Month: Jeff & Lisa Boehm,
Youth With a Mission, Bangkok Thailand**

Taw Sang Rak is the foundation set up to train and mobilize volunteer Thai missionaries. Jeff noticed a great need for financial literacy early on, and has offered training to Thailand staff since 2002. Jeff and his mentor, Phil, created a four-year program that they named "Grace Chapel". Thai YWAM missionaries can apply, and members are given a small but significant monthly stipend, semi-annual training, and must submit their annual goals and quarterly ministry updates to the administrator. In years 3 & 4 members open a retirement investing account and receive training along with small monthly contributions. **The goal of Grace Chapel is to equip Thai missionaries with the understanding and skills that they need to serve long-term. Since 2006, they have served over 110 Thai staff!** For the past five years the leadership committee has included Benz, Tan, Ning and Jeff. As they met for September training, Jeff stood in awe of how far their three Thai committee members have come. First they graduated from this program, and now they live out what they have learned and are imparting it to the next generation. Sessions are fun and interactive when Thais lead other Thais! Offerings for the Boehms' ministries may be given any time in November.

Thank You

Thank you all for the meals, encouragement and prayers as we have welcomed baby Ramie into the world. We couldn't be more grateful for a wonderful church family who loves us and our little girl so well. - Ryan & Morgan Faasse

Bagels

Oh my word, thank you so much for making us bake so many bagels! You helped us raise well over \$1000 with some generous extra donations! You are truly a blessing of a church and, from the bottom of our hearts we thank you!

Rooted

We are back with another exciting Rooted youth group gathering tonight from 6-8pm. Don't miss out on the fun!

Rooted Retreat

Lots of you have said you're coming, so get those signup forms in to prove it. Talk to Aaron or Abbie if you have any questions.

Proverbs Reading Challenge!

We are in the final month of the Proverbs Reading Challenge. Sheets are available on the table in the narthex. Completed sheets need to be placed in the box in the narthex to be entered into a drawing to win a prize. Whether or not you win the drawing, you'll win the prize of growing in God's Word!

Directory Reminder

A new church directory will be printed after the first of the year. If you'd like to update your picture, or have any other additions or corrections, please send them to our church email: office@fourthchurch.com by December 1.

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