

# Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship  
our Lord and King

**24 November 2024**

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

Words matter. Words are powerful. As we look at some key Proverbs today, we will see how we can use our words to bring life and healing.

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Prelude *Here I Am to Worship*

Welcome  
Call to Worship

Singing *Blessed Assurance*  
*Jesus I am Resting, Resting*

Prayer of Confession

## Mission Offering for the Boehm's

Singing *Ancient Words*

## Kingdom Prayers

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

Message **EVERYDAY WISDOM: WORDS – WISE WORDS**  
*Dr. Branson Parler* **PROVERBS 15:1-8 (P. 629)**

Communion

Singing *Rise Up O Church of God*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received  
following our worship service

## This week at **Fourth**

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<b>Today</b>	<b>Greeters</b> Kathy Burggraaf, Beth Rossiter Thanksgiving: Jim & Joy Gibbs Next week: Paul & Amy Baragar
	<b>Nursery</b> Erin Berrevoets; Anyone willing to help! Thanksgiving: Betsy Coutchie, Nancy Aukeman, Nevaeh Bills Next week: Dawn Faasse, Mary Kay Townley
	<b>Children's Worship</b> Norma & Tom Boehm Next week: Josh Schalk, Eliana Parler
	<b>Coffee</b> Marty Berthiaume, Mary Kay Townley Next week: Open – let Mary Kay know if you're available to serve. Cookies will be provided.
	11:15 AM <b>CE Classes</b>

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

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

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**Thursday** 10:00 AM **Thanksgiving Day Service**

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## Praise & Prayer

**Sandy Gleason** is dealing with a number of physical health issues, please keep praying that God would bring healing to her body.

**Gary Proos** was placed in hospice care this past week. Please pray for Mary and the family as they care for him in his final days.

Pray for our **youth group** as they head back this morning from their retreat at Cran Hill. Pray that it was an amazing time of growing in Christ. Thank you to Aaron, Abbie and the other leaders for their investment in the lives of our youth!

## Announcements

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

Thank you for your **partnership** in making disciples of Jesus in Thailand! Paul wrote...

“Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others.” 2 Timothy 2:2b (NLT)

We hope that you have been encouraged as you read about some of our trustworthy colleagues passing on what they have learned to others, which results from our partnership with you! Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support. The offering for the Boehms' ministry will be received today.

### **Mission of the Month - Thank you**

The mission team wants to give thanks to you for your continuing support of our missionaries. In this year, you have given more than \$14,000 and for the years 2021 through 2024, total giving has been near \$100,000. Praise be to God. We also want to thank our pastors for their continued prayers on behalf of our missionaries, keeping their eternal work before us as a congregation. As you know, we support six missionaries throughout the year including: Words of Hope, Boehm Family, VanDyke Family, Mission India, deLeon Family and The Foundry. The mission team: Noreen Reitsma, Beth Rossiter, Erin Meendering and Tom Boehm want to express to you as Paul did to the Corinthians,...through us your **generosity** will result in thanksgiving to God.

### **Adult Education: Growing Joy!**

What if joy is central to our relationship with God and the cornerstone of real character transformation? What if real discipleship only happens within the good soil of joy? Our focus for the next few weeks will dovetail with our Advent theme for this year: joy. We will be talking about how joy is essential for our relationship with God and one another, as well as engaging in some practices to enable us to grow in our joy. Join us in the fireside room at 11:15!

### **Church Basement**

We're still working on the basement, and because youth group stuff is in the open area, we ask that kids stay out one more week.

### **Early Bulletin Deadline**

Announcements for this week's Eblast and bulletin need to be in the office by noon on Tuesday, November 26. They can be emailed to: [office@fourthchurch.com](mailto:office@fourthchurch.com)

### **Thanksgiving Service**

Join us on Thanksgiving day at 10am for a special service where we'll worship and praise God for all he has done and is doing. Come ready to share something you are grateful for! We will also take a special offering for North End Community Ministries.

### **Proverbs Reading Challenge!**

We are in the final week of the Proverbs Reading Challenge. Sheets are available on the table in the narthex. Return your completed sheets to the box in the narthex by next Sunday 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](mailto: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.

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