

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

26 January 2025

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

What does it mean to live in unity as a body of believers? This is one of the questions we'll consider today as we begin looking at Romans 15.

Prelude *Come Thou Fount*

Welcome
Call to Worship

Singing *Promises
Goodness of God*

Prayer of Confession

Mission Offering for Words of Hope
Singing *All I Have Is Christ*

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

Message **ROMANS #4 – UNITY FOR PRAISE**
Rev. Eric Schalk **ROMANS 15:1-13 (P.1102)**

Communion

Singing *Living Hope*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at Fourth

Today	Greeters	Darold & JoAnn Parks Next week: Mike & Becky Berrevoets
	Nursery	Steve Wammack, Becky Tubergen Next week: Morgan Faasse, Kate Schalk, Eliana Parler
	Children's Worship	Erin & Siena Broene, Christian Parler Next week: Amy & Nolan Baragar
	Coffee	Mike & Becky Berrevoets Next week: Ron & Marcia Schuur
	11:15 AM	CE Classes & Middle & High School Small Groups

Tuesday	10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study <i>in the Fireside room</i>
	6:00 PM	Chili & Bread/Cornbread Cook-Off

Wednesday	6:30 AM	Dude's Group – <i>New Beginnings, Michigan St</i>
	8:00 PM	Men's Ping Pong <i>in the church basement</i>

Thursday	9:30 AM	Men's Bible Study <i>in the Fireside room</i>
	10:00 AM	Knitting Group <i>at Rest Haven</i>
	7:00 PM	Prayer Gathering

Saturday	9:00 AM	Women's Bible Study <i>in the Fireside room</i>
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Praise & Prayer

Continue to pray for **Nancy Brinks** as she recovers from knee surgery and for **Lorraine Smith** as she recovers from a lumbar spine fracture.

2025 Prayer Assignment

Let's start this year by praying for our neighbors! If your last name begins with:

A-C - pray for families north of the church on Curtis, Spencer, Columbia and Ashland.

D-K - pray for people living to the east on Penn, Portland, Eastern Place, Northfield Dr. and Emerald.

L-R - pray for neighbors to our south on Leonard, Barnett, Hubert and Edmund.

S-W - pray for the households to the west on Union, Paris, College, Brenner and Carrier.

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month: Words of Hope - How You Can Help Bring Hope

Through your prayers and support, Words of Hope's broadcasts are transforming lives in Indonesia. This month, consider how you might contribute to this ministry—whether through prayer, giving, or spreading the word. Together, we can ensure that the light of the gospel continues to shine brightly in Indonesia. You can make your donation during the service this morning or give it to the deacons after the service today.

Church Directory Draft – Please stop by the table in the fellowship hall during coffee time this morning to be sure all of your information is correct in the updated church directory.

Chili Cook-Off – Chili and bread cook-off will be held this Tuesday, January 28th at 6pm. We need a few more people to cook and bake for us - come on, you know you want to be famous. For those bringing chili or bread, please plan to be at the church by 5:45pm so that we can have everything set up and ready to serve by 6. Please sign up on the table in the narthex TODAY so we know how many to plan on.

Praying About our Name – This past Thursday we had our first of four gatherings to prayerfully discern what God is saying about our church name. We considered some passages in scripture where God purposefully changed the names of people, and how that might relate to us. **THIS THURSDAY**, January 30, at 7pm, we will look at our mission statement and scripture to continue our discerning process.

GEMS Taco Night – It's time for our next GEMS event. Girls grades 1-8 are invited to join us for a taco night Monday, February 10 from 6-7:30pm. We plan to meet in the Fellowship Hall to make and eat tacos. Please RSVP to Erin at 616.822.2926 or by email at: eebroene@gmail.com. Please include any dietary restrictions. Also save the date for Saturday, March 8 for a craft event.

Crafters Wanted – We are looking for ladies interested in hosting a craft table for our GEMS craft event Saturday, March 8. Hosting involves bringing a craft along with supplies and teaching the girls how to make it. Supply costs are reimbursable. Please let Erin Broene or Sarah Parler know if you are able to host a table.

Sermon Notes

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