

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

25 May 2025

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

This morning we press on in Romans 1 and we'll look at what Paul means when he says, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel."

Prelude *Your Grace is Enough*

Welcome
Call to Worship

Singing *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
In Christ Alone*

Prayer of Confession

Singing *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

Recognition of High School Graduates

Kingdom Prayers

Message ROMANS – NOT ASHAMED
Rev. Eric Schalk ROMANS 1:8-17 (P. 1090)

Communion

Singing *Worthy is the Lamb*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at Fourth

Today	Greeters	Don & Betsy Coutchie Next week: Branson & Sarah Parler
	Nursery	Becky Tubergen, Bob Monsma, Nevaeh Bills Next week: Dawn Faasse, Mary Kay Townley
	Coffee	Ed & Noreen Reitsma Next week: Norm Schalk, Kathy Burggraaf

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

Wednesday 6:30 AM **Dude's Group** – *New Beginnings, Michigan St*
4:30 PM **Pie-making Class** *in the church kitchen*
8:00 PM **Ping-Pong Night** *in the church basement*

Thursday 9:30 AM **Men's Bible Study** *in the Fireside room*
10:00 AM **Knitting Group** *at Rest Haven*

Praise & Prayer

Pray for **Lorraine Smith** who fell this past week and broke her pelvis. Lorraine is currently in a rehab facility to regain strength. Pray for her as she recovers from this fall.

Eric Shoults had surgery this past week for his broken leg. Pray that the pain would lessen dramatically, and for a smooth recovery.

Continue to pray for **Etta Denbesten, Sandy Gleason and Bill Pyper**. Pray for patience, hope, and healing.

Pray for our **Associate Pastor, office staff and ministry leaders**. Pray that God would bless each of these folks with encouragement as they see fruit from their work.

Spend this month of June prohibiting destructive evil in your area of our **neighborhood**. Jesus said "Whatever you prohibit on earth is prohibited in heaven." We are dominion keepers, ruling the world through our prayer – union with Christ.

Announcements

High School Graduates

This morning, we will honor Anna Wetzel and Caden Gleason, who are both graduating from high school this year. We'll hear a little bit about their plans for the future, and pray a blessing over them as they enter a new chapter of life. After the service, join us in the fellowship hall where we will celebrate with cake and coffee.

Pastor's Vacation

Pastor Eric and family will be on vacation from May 30 – June 14. If any needs or concerns arise during this time, please reach out to your elder or deacon. Pray that this will be a great time of rest and relaxation and spending time as a family!

Missionaries of the Month: The Foundry

As we look ahead to the fall 2025, please be praying for several things: 1) Our Institute of Ministry Leadership hubs in Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo that are continuing. 2) We are exploring launching a hub with churches in Allegan county that would offer evening classes. Pray the Lord would encourage those churches as they explore equipping leaders. 3) Our Ministry Formation cohorts for those who are ordained or seeking ordination within the Alliance and Kingdom Network. 4) We are continuing to develop workshops and learning material for elders, deacons, staff, and pastors. Pray that God guides as we develop those and that the material serves the needs of churches well. 5) Pray for all those doing Spiritual Direction, that the Lord would use that focused time to bring clarity and to draw people near to him. Finally, pray that God would give us joy and unity as a team, energy for what he's called us to, patience for his timing, and the wisdom to say 'no' to what God's not calling us to do so we can say an enthusiastic 'yes' to what he is calling us to do. Donations for The Foundry can be given through the offering plate or online through the end of the month.

Children's Worship Leaders & Helpers Needed

We would like to offer Children's Worship for at least part of the summer this year. If you're willing to lead, or help **ONE TIME** this summer, please sign the sheet on the table in the narthex. Questions? See Evan Donovan.

Baby Shower

Diaper, Card, & Hand-Me-Downs Baby Shower. Nicole, Evan, Iris and Mira are expecting a baby in June and will especially need boy things and diapers. Grab your coffee and cookies and join us after the worship service next Sunday, June 1 at 11:15am in the Fireside Lounge to celebrate Baby Boy Donovan. Questions? Please see Jeni Wammack.

Rhubarb Pie & Festival

Bebop-a-rhubop, Rhubarb Pie! Betsy is offering a pie-making class on Wednesday, May 28 @ 4:30pm in the church kitchen. If you're able to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex TODAY. Also, **SAVE THE DATE June 21 Rhubarb Fest**. This will include sampling rhubarb food and outdoor activities for families.

Trinitas Classical School

Do you desire a Christian education for your child that is joyful, academically challenging, and screen free? Trinitas Classical School is a community of Protestant, Orthodox, and Catholic Christians committed to cultivating lives of faith, reason, and virtue. As we enter our twentieth year, we are excited to add a high school and are now enrolling full-time students in grades K-10 and offering homeschool classes for students in grades 5-10. You can find more information or schedule a tour on our website www.trinitasclassical.org.

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