

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

25 January 2026

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

Our sermon today will follow Boaz as he takes initiative to fulfill his role as Kinsman Redeemer. Through this process we'll see how God has been at work all along to provide for Ruth and Naomi.

Prelude *The Love of God*

Welcome
Call to Worship

Singing *Goodness of God*
Great is Thy Faithfulness

Prayer of Confession

Singing *There is a Redeemer*

Mission Offering for Words of Hope

Kingdom Prayers

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

Message *RUTH: THE KINDNESS OF GOD #4 – GOD'S KIND PLAN*
Rev. Eric Schalk
RUTH 4:1-12 (P. 259)

Communion

Singing *The Blessing*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeters	Justin & Sarah Behm Next week: Julie & Abbie Schalk
	Nursery	Dawn Faasse, Mary Kay Townley Next week: Morgan Faasse, Amy Coeling
	Children's Worship	Taylor Eising, Molly Bierens Next week: Becky Tuberger, Maddie Bierens
	Coffee	Don & Betsy Coutchie Next week: Branson & Sarah Parler
11:15 AM	CE Classes & Middle & High School Small Groups	
6:00 PM	Rooted Meets	

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

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

Thursday 9:30 AM **Men's Bible Study** *in the Fireside room*
10:00 AM **Knitting Group** *at Rest Haven*
5:30 PM **Forge Gathering** *in the Fellowship Hall*

Saturday 9:00 AM **Women's Passion Prayer** *in the Fellowship Hall*

Praise & Prayer

Continue to pray for the **family of Kongcheng's uncle, Alee Vang**, who was deported to Laos.

Continue to pray for healing and encouragement for **Nancy Aukeman, Etta Denbesten, Sandy Gleason, Marge Jeltema, Bill Pyper** and **Lorraine Smith**. Also continue praying for our neighbor, **Jess**, as she battles cancer. Pray that the treatments would be successful in healing her body.

2026 New Prayer Assignment – If your last name begins with
A-C: Pray for families on Union, Paris, College, Brenner, Carrier
D-K: Pray for families on Curtis, Spencer, Columbia, Ashland, Page
L-R: Pray for families on Leonard, Barnett, Hubert, Edmund
S-Z: Pray for families on Penn, Portland, Eastern Place, Northland, Emerald

Announcements

Missionaries of the Month: Words of Hope with your support makes a difference

Through your prayers and generosity, Words of Hope India is helping break cycles of poverty while sharing the hope of the Gospel. Tuition centers, vocational training, and discipleship programs are opening doors to education, opportunity, and eternal hope. Thank you for supporting this vital ministry throughout January. You can give your offering during worship when prompted by the pastor or as you leave the sanctuary today.

Children's Offering Envelopes – There are boxes of offering envelopes for our children on the table by the library. Part of discipleship is helping our kids learn how to give back to the Lord who blesses them. We want to encourage you all to grab a box of envelopes for your children and have conversations about what tithing is, what it's for, and how we glorify God through our giving. There's no pressure to use these but we want them to be available to you as a resource to help train up our children to walk with Jesus. If your children like to color, they can color the picture on their offering envelope!

2025 Mission Giving Update – Every month we give to various missionaries and agencies who are working to spread the Gospel across the globe. Every gift given adds up to make a difference for the lives of people. In 2025, we were able to provide the following support to global kingdom work:

Words of Hope - \$3,829
Mission India - \$2,754
Boehm Family - \$3,302
De León Family - \$3,819
VanDyke Family - \$1,260
The Foundry - \$5,102
North End Community Ministries - \$1,026
Youth Mission Trip - \$1,867

We praise God for the way he's moved in our body to provide \$22,959 to help spread the good news of Jesus!

Rooted Small Groups – This week, we'll be looking at God's attribute of goodness. God is good, but what does that truly mean?

Rooted - Tonight. The usual time. The usual great time, that is. Be there. 6-8pm.

Small Groups at Fourth meet twice a month, and during that time folks eat together, pray for one another, and spend time in scripture. We currently have three small groups meeting at Fourth, and we're trying to gauge interest in creating more. If you're interested in joining a small group, please sign up today. Please indicate which evenings could potentially work for you, and if you'd be interested in leading.

The Forge will meet on Thursday, January 29 at 5:30pm. Sign up for the meal and anticipate our conversation about what challenges men. Hope to see you in the fellowship hall on the 29th.

Financial Peace University Class begins Sunday, February 8 from 2-4pm and will run through April 26 but we will not meet March 15, April 5 or 12. This class teaches biblical financial principles, how to plan so you can live and give like no one else. Sponsorships are available. To ask about receiving a sponsorship, if you would like to sponsor someone in the class, or if you would like to help with childcare during the class; contact Erin Broene 616.822.2926. If interested, please sign up in the back.

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