

# Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship  
our Lord and King

15 February 2026

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

We pick up this week in Ecclesiastes 2 in our series Being Human. We'll join Qoholet in examining the pursuit of pleasure and see with him that even the best we can experience in this world is but a vapor compared to God.

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Prelude	<i>This is Amazing Grace</i>
Welcome Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>All Creatures of our God and King Build My Life</i>
Prayer of Confession	
Singing	<i>Goodness of God</i>
Kingdom Prayers	
	<i>Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 14 upstairs</i>
Message	BEING HUMAN #2: PLEASURE <i>Rev. Eric Schalk</i> ECCLESIASTES 2:1-11 (P. 647)
Communion	
Singing	<i>You Are My All in All</i>
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>	Mike & Nancy Brinks Next week: Evan & Nicole Donovan
	<b>Nursery</b>	Erin & Clara Broene, Eliana Parler Next week: Julie Schalk, Beth Rossiter, Nevaeh Bills
	<b>Children's Worship</b>	Nicole Donovan, Nevaeh Bills Next week: Norma Boehm, Clara Broene
	<b>Coffee</b>	Eric & Laura O'Brock Next week: Ron & Marcia Schuur
	11:15 AM	<b>CE Classes &amp; Middle &amp; High School Small Groups</b>
	2:00 PM	<b>Financial Peace Class</b> <i>in Foundry Room, upstairs</i>
<b>Monday</b>	6:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	<b>Fourth/Coit Cadets</b> <i>at Fourth</i> <b>Foundations of Christian Doctrine</b> <b>Fasting Prayer Gathering</b> <i>in the Fireside room</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 AM	<b>Women's Bible Study</b> <i>in the Fireside room</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 AM 7:00 PM	<b>Dude's Group</b> – <i>New Beginnings, Michigan St</i> <b>Fasting Prayer Gathering</b> <i>in the Fireside room</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00 AM 5:30 PM	<b>Knitting Group</b> <i>at Rest Haven</i> <b>Forge Gathering</b> <i>in the Fellowship Hall</i>
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 PM	<b>Fasting Prayer Gathering</b> <i>in the Fireside room</i>

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## 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**.

**Our neighbor Jess** saw the hematologist Wednesday to figure out the next steps. She still has a mass on her spine and will have a biopsy taken on Monday. She is not sleeping well. Her "daughter" Chloe still needs a job despite looking diligently. On a positive note her Leukemia continues to respond well to oral medication. Please pray that this new believer will experience and know God's peace, that He cares for her, and for healing from these medical challenges.

Be an active part of "Thy Kingdom come" with prayer for **our neighbors**. Ask God to bless them, and change me - not the other way around. A-C: west; D-K: north; L-R: south; S-Z: east.

## Announcements

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### Missionaries of the Month: Mission India

**Church Planter Training Report.** Your generosity helped train and equip 32,959 new church planters for a lifetime of reaching those who have never heard the gospel. 39,144 churches were planted producing 995,085 new disciples in one year. Scriptures were placed and prayer groups formed to strengthen the faith and deepen the peace as persecution continues from all sides. New Christians are steadfast in prayer and singing hymns, knowing they can rely on God. Donations for Mission India can be given anytime throughout the month of February with a special offering being taken during our worship service next Sunday.

### Lent & Fasting Week

Tomorrow begins Fasting Week 2026. There is a letter on the back table explaining the week in more detail, but here are a few key things to know:

- Door 2 will be unlocked Monday - Friday from 7am-7pm and the sanctuary open, for anyone wishing to come and pray. We will have prayer guides available each day to help direct you.
- On Wednesday, there will be a special prayer guide out from 11:30-12:30 focusing on Ash Wednesday. Pastor Eric will also be present during this time for anyone that would like to receive ashes on their foreheads.
- We will have gatherings on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 7pm in the Fireside room for prayer, worship and meditation.

### Lent Resources

Kristi Dennis sent an email out last week about the Lent book, *A Jesus Easter* to all families who have kids under the age of 18. Please check that email and get back to her if you want a copy of that resource. If you didn't get the email at all, please let Kristi know so we can fix it.



To join the Adult plan, please scan the QR Code. You'll join the plan in the YouVersion app and readings will start on February 18th! Or, let us know if you want the PDF version and we will get you access.

### Decorating & Easter Help

We are looking for someone to LEAD the decorating team for Easter. If you can help, please talk to Pastor Eric today. We're also looking for some folks to help prepare Easter Breakfast. Betsy will be leading the crew, and we need folks to help setup, cleanup and cook. If you're willing to be part of the team, sign up today!

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

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## **Announcements (continued)**

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### **Forge Gathering**

Forge will be held on February 19 beginning with dinner at 5:30pm. If you plan to attend, please sign the sheet on the back table.

### **Rooted Small Groups**

This week, we'll be studying why it's important for us to submit ourselves to God.

### **Rooted Commissioning 2026**

This year, to help raise money for our mission trip, we're inviting everyone to a night of fun and clean entertainment. We've put 5 middle and high school students through several missions and we'll gather together in the sanctuary to see how they did. It's a fun, hilarious time as we laugh at some of their outrageous antics and have a great time together as a community. We'll make a suggested donation, but we're hoping that if you come you'll just be willing to support our students and leaders as we prepare to serve our God in mission in June. The Commissioning is scheduled for Sunday, March 22, from 6-8pm. All are invited!

### **Foundry class: Pastoral Care**

How do we sit with people who are hurting? How do we listen well and give hope to those who are struggling? How do we lovingly encourage people to overcome sin and broken relationships? How can we fan into flame the gifts that God has given? We'll be engaging these questions in Pastoral Care, a course that starts on Mar. 4, 12pm-3pm, at Remembrance Church. You can see all the details at:

[www.thefoundrygr.org/iml/pcare-gr/](http://www.thefoundrygr.org/iml/pcare-gr/). The class is free for people from Fourth!

### **Trinitas Classical School**

Do you desire a Christian education for your child that is joyful, academically challenging, and screen free? Founded in 2006, Trinitas Classical School is a community of Protestant, Catholic, and Orthodox Christians committed to *cultivating lives of faith, reason, and virtue*. We are now enrolling full-time students in grades K-11 and homeschool students in grades 5-12. **Join us for Discover Trinitas Night on Thursday, March 5, High School Shadow Days on February 25 and April 1, or schedule a tour!** You can find more information on our website [www.trinitasclassical.org](http://www.trinitasclassical.org).