

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

5 April 2026

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

This morning we gather together to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ! He died for our sins, but death could not hold him. We'll look at a couple resurrection encounters this morning to celebrate that Jesus' resurrection changes everything.

Prelude *Christ is Risen*

Welcome
Call to Worship

Singing *Christ the Lord is Risen Today
Christ Arose*

Prayer of Confession

Singing *Holy Forever
Behold Our God*

Children's Message
NO Children's Worship class today

Kingdom Prayers

Message **BECAUSE HE LIVES**
Rev. Eric Schalk LUKE 24:13-35 (P. 1025)

Communion

Singing *Living Hope*

Closing Blessing

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeters Ed & Noreen Reitsma Next week: Micah & Erin Meendering
	Nursery Taylor Eising, Caren Bills Next week: Sarah Behm, Esther Peterson
	Children's Worship NO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP TODAY Next week: Taylor Eising, Molly Bierens
	Coffee Easter Breakfast @ 8:30am Next week: Sam & Kristi Dennis
	11:15 AM NO CE or & Middle & High School Small Groups

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*

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

Praise & Prayer

Please pray for **Nancy Brinks** who has been dealing with some health concerns, and this week was diagnosed with diverticulitis and is awaiting an appointment with a surgeon to possibly have part of her colon removed. As well the CT scan she had also showed some spots on her liver that she needs to follow up on with her doctor. Please pray for healing, and that she would be able to get appointments with the necessary doctors soon!

Pray for the **NorthPointe Chorale** as they serve in Jamaica this upcoming week. Pray that God would prepare people to receive the gospel, and pray that the students would encounter the power of Jesus as they serve him.

Please continue to pray for our custodian, **Kathy O'Brien**, as she recovers from a fracture in her back. We give praise that she arrived safely back in Michigan on Wednesday.

We give praise that **Etta Denbesten** continues to do well following her hip replacement surgery.

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

Continue to pray for encouragement for **Nancy Aukeman, Sandy Gleason, Marge Jeltema, Bill Pyper** and **Lorraine Smith** as they have been unable to join us for worship.

Continue praying for **our neighbor Jess**. Pray for God's healing hand in her cancer journey, healing from a difficult past, and that she would be able to get restful sleep! Also continue praying that **Chloe** would be able to find a job.

Continue praying for **our neighbors**. Pray for those in your area based on your last name: A-C: west; D-K: north; L-R: south; S-Z: east.

Announcements

Tenebrae & Easter Thanks – Thank you to everyone who participated in the Tenebrae service, Easter Breakfast, and our Easter service. It takes a lot of volunteers to make all this celebrating possible! A huge thanks to Betsy Couthie for organizing the breakfast, and for Haju Kimyang for decorating.

Missionaries of the Month: The DeLeón Family – “We are 3 months away from our summer trip to the US, and our flights are already booked!

June 23 - August 18: We will be in West Michigan and staying in Allendale. We are thankful that we found a place to stay for our entire time there! We are still in need of a vehicle for 4 weeks. If you know of any options for us, please let us know via email at: garyracheldeleon@gmail.com

August 18 - 22: We will be in the Houston area. We already have a vehicle, just in need of housing! Pray for this need!”

We look forward to working out a time for them to visit with us when they are in town this summer! Gifts for the DeLeón family can be given anytime throughout the month of April either through the offering plate, or online through our website.

Financial Peace University Class will not meet today or next Sunday. Our last two meetings are April 19 & 26.

The Forge meets Thursday, April 16 at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up for the meal.

Cadet Pinewood Derby Results – Forty-three people voted for the best Cadet derby car design, and the ballots have been counted. The clear winner was #4, the hot dog car, by Evin Heyboer. This came as no surprise, as he had also taken first place in design at the Grand Rapids North derby. The competition there was even tougher. He had to beat out 195 other cars. Second place winner was Simon Dam’s car #5, the Angry Fish. His was the only car in the council to not have any paint on it. He created the entire design with a wood burning tool. Nathan Baragar took third place with his artistic car #2, painted in silver and red and boasting stick-on decals.

We recently found the Fourth Cadet Club race track from many years ago. Former head counselor Dave Randall came to help us assemble it before the meeting last Monday, and it’s a great improvement over the track we’ve used for the last 52 years. The racers finished with Teddy Cain in first place, Christian Parler in a very close second, and Hendrik Broene in third. Now, if we can get Dave back next year, we might start winning some races at GR North.

Summer Camp Scholarships – Fourth will be offering scholarships for Christian summer camps for 2026 in partnership with the ARC, which is generously supporting Fourth with a grant. If you are interested in receiving a scholarship for your child, please contact Erin Broene at 616-822-2926 or eebroene@gmail.com for an application.

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