

Fourth Reformed Church

To celebrate and worship
our Lord and King

10 May 2026

Why do we baptize? Today we'll see why the sacrament of baptism is an essential part of our discipleship, a sign and seal of God's promise to wash us clean in Jesus.

Prelude	<i>Glorious Day</i>
Welcome Call to Worship	
Singing	<i>Praise to the Lord the Almighty Indescribable</i>
Prayer of Confession	
Singing	<i>Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)</i>
Kingdom Prayers	
	<i>Children's worship (ages 3-5) begins in room 14 upstairs</i>
Message	WHY DO WE BAPTIZE? SELECTED SCRIPTURE
	<i>Dr. Branson Parler</i>
Communion	
Singing	<i>The Blessing</i>
Closing Blessing	

Our offering this morning will be received
following our worship service

This week at **Fourth**

Today	Greeters	Dave & Richanda Bolt Next week: Tom & Norma Boehm
	Nursery	Dawn Faasse, Mary Kay Townley Next week: Morgan Faasse, Amy Coeling
	Children's Worship	Shay Newman, Clara Broene Next week: Kristi Dennis, Ruby Parler
	Coffee	Skip & Doris Hawkins Next week: Eric & Julie Schalk, Caren Bills
	11:15 AM	CE Classes
Monday	6:00 PM 6:00 PM	Cadets Meet Foundations of Christian Doctrine
Tuesday	10:00 AM 6:30 PM 8:00 PM	Women's Bible Study <i>in the Fireside room</i> Consistory Meets Elder & Deacon Meetings
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Dude's Group – <i>New Beginnings, Michigan St</i>
Thursday	9:30 AM 10:00 AM	Men's Bible Study <i>in the Fireside room</i> Knitting Group <i>at Rest Haven</i>
Saturday	8:00 AM	Spring Work Day

Praise & Prayer

Congratulations to **Abbie & Bruce Lyu** who were united in marriage on Friday. Pray for God's blessing on them as they begin this new chapter together!

Continue praying for: **Nancy Brinks** as she awaits results from her MRI and works with a pain and spine clinic to address issues with her neck; **our shut-ins** as they miss worshiping with us; healing for **our neighbor Jess** including improved lung capacity so that she will be able to have surgery; for **Chloe** as she begins her new job this week; and for the **family of Kongcheng's uncle, Alee Vang**, who was deported to Laos. We give praise for healing for **Etta DenBesten**.

"Far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by failing to pray for you." I Samuel 12:23 Ask God to bless **our neighbors** with healthy leisure time activity.

Announcements

Spring Work Day

Our church Spring Work Day will be held on Saturday, May 16 from 8am to noon with lunch following. There's a sign-up sheet with tasks and tools needed on the table in the narthex. Please sign up TODAY so we know how much food to plan on.

Missionaries of the Month: The Foundry

This year we have run 3 hubs of our Institute of Ministry Leadership--classes designed for church leaders at every level. These hubs are at Remembrance Church in Grand Rapids; The Bridge in Portage; and Hopkins Community Church in Hopkins. We are thrilled that over 140 different people have participated in at least one class this year! It's been great to see the way that so many Christians are hungry to learn and grow. Pray that God will continue to move and invite people into being equipped and empowered to serve! Donations for The Foundry can be given anytime throughout the month of May either through the offering plate, or online through our website.

Updated Church Directory is in your mail slot today!

Planning Center

Fourth Church is happy to announce that we will be utilizing Planning Center Online to help organize and communicate volunteer schedules for our Sunday worship. Volunteer communications will go to your email the week before you are scheduled to volunteer. Watch your emails for those reminders!

The Forge

The Forge will meet on Thursday, May 21 at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up so we know how many to plan on for the meal.

Rooted Small Groups

Today, because people tend to head out early on Mother's Day, we will not be having small groups.

Rooted Mission Trip

Parents, please get those behavior contracts filled out and signed as soon as possible. We can't take the kids unless they are filled out!

Mission Trip Prep

As mentioned in the parent group chat, our postponed date to get our resources for the mission trip is on Friday, May 15, please let Aaron know if you and/or your kids are able to help out. Many hands make light work.

Rooted

One more Rooted is scheduled for the year. May 17 will be the final program for the school year, so let's finish strong!

Trash Bin Notice

Please do not use the church dumpster for recyclable materials such as cardboard boxes. They should be cut up to lay flat in the recycling tubs by the handicap door. Otherwise it creates work for someone else to remove the cardboard and cut it up so as to not overload the dumpster. The church pays a hefty surcharge for even a slightly over-full dumpster. Also, recycling is the right thing to do in caring for creation. Thank you!

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