## The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Third Reformed Church – Grand Rapids, Michigan May 11, 2025 10:00 AM

Invites the congregation to stand, as able

**Bold Text** is spoken in unison by the congregation



The Sanctuary main floor is equipped with a loop system for the hearing impaired

We are happy you are here this morning! Third Reformed Church celebrates the gospel of Jesus as the way God moves people from exclusion to embrace by grace through faith. As a gospel community we are fully inclusive of all people who seek to know, love, and follow Jesus in a life of faith regardless of race, class, gender, marital status, or sexual orientation.

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

**PRELUDE** Beautiful Saviour Silesian Melody

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are God.



CONGREGATIONAL SINGING 77

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* 

LOBE DEN HERREN

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you.

You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for all we have done to displease you.

Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON



The peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

The people offer a sign of peace to one another

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We Praise You For the Earth He's Got the Whole World

## **WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOD'S WORD John 10:22-30 (NT pg. 90)

MESSAGE I Know That Voice Rev. Jeffrey Petersen

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING Breathe Marie Barnett

PRAYERS OF GRATITUDE AND LONGING
...ending with THE LORD'S PRAYER (printed inside the hymnal cover)

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING 539

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light HOUSTON

**BENEDICTION** 

CHORAL ANTHEM Go Ye Into All the World Eugene Butler

Me Believe In One True God Brian Glyncannon

If you brought an offering this morning, please put it in an offering plate, located on the tables in the narthex. Offerings may also be mailed to the church, made online at: <a href="https://thirdgr.breezechms.com/give/online">https://thirdgr.breezechms.com/give/online</a> or made by scanning the QR code below.



Assisting God's people in worship this morning are:
the Rev. Jeffrey Petersen, Senior Pastor
Ava Coleman, liturgist
Children's Choir under the direction of Pam Lockwood
Adult Choir under the direction of Paul Boelkins
Praise Team
Walt Lockwood, sound technician
AJ Arechiga, Head of Technology
Lois Ripma, organist

## NURSERY AND TODDLER ROOM (LITTLE LAMBS)

We provide care during worship for our little ones, from birth through 3-years-old. The nursery and the toddler room are both located at the southwest end of the building (rooms 104 and 105) near the church office. We are in need of a volunteer to care for our little ones on June 15, June 22 and June 29. Click here to sign-up if you can help on one of those dates



#### CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

All children, ages 4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, will be invited during the worship service to dismiss to their own worship space. The children can be picked up following the service in the children's wing (east side of the building).

## SAVE THE DATE FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

VBS 2025 is on the church calendar for July 28 -31. We will begin each of the four days at 9 am and conclude at 11:30 am. We will share more details as the date gets closer. Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors! Click here to register your child(ren) Register for VBS 2025, or scan the QR code below.

## **Register For VBS 2025**



#### **ARE YOU VISITING?**

If you are worshiping with us for the first time, please take a moment to fill out a "visitor card," found in each pew, and give it to one of our pastors. Or, simply scan the QR code below and fill out a "visitor form."

#### **Contact Information**





Join us for a time of fellowship following the worship service and for a cup of coffee or punch and a cookie or two!

We will meet in the fellowship hall, located at the end of the front hallway.

## FAITH FORUM (2<sup>nd</sup> HOUR)

There will be no Faith Forum this morning. We will resume next Sunday (May 18) when Bryan Hageman will share his faith story.

#### THANK YOU TO OUR WORSHIP SERVANTS THIS MORNING

Bill Davidson – AM Coordinator Greeters – Rog and Jane Bolhouse Jim and Karen Vanden Bos - Coffee and Cookies Mary De Korte - Nursery & Little Lambs (Toddler Room)

**NEXT WEEK** (May 18)

AM Coordinator: Bill Davidson

Greeters: The Reid Morris Family

Liturgist: Jen Petersen

Coffee and Cookies: Edy Borgondy and Tim Breukink

Nursery & Toddler Room: Tammy Schollaart

#### **UPCOMING GREETER SCHEDULE**

May 25

June 1

The Kent Family, Margo Taylor

The Maddox Family, Nancy Mc Intyre

June 8

The Plantenga Family, Bryan and Cheryl Hageman

June 15

Len and Dianne De Braber

June 22

Dave and Paige Hendrickson

June 29

Gary Graef and Kim Krause

July 6

Keith and Paula Boeve

July 13 The Crow Family

July 20 Rog and Jane Bolhouse, Mark Dietrich

July 27 The Debowski Family

<sup>\*</sup>Please call or email the office if you have a conflict with the date you are scheduled for.

#### ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER?

If you are in need of prayer or know of someone who is, or if would like to receive prayer requests via the prayer chain, please contact Paula Boeve @ 616.581.5459 or <a href="mailto:psysboo@aol.com">psysboo@aol.com</a>, or call the church office. Prayer requests are sent out by Paula and received by you via email.



Continue to Remember our Friends – Nancy Bloem, Mary Boelkins, Len Nagel, Virginia Schollaart, Dee Scully and Sandy Swan.

#### NORTH END COMMUNITY MINISTRY FOOD PANTRY

This month of May we are collecting **Canned Tomatoes**, **Canned Mixed Vegetables and Baked Beans** for the Pantry. There is a table in the "gathering space" or space by the church mailboxes for donations. You may also make a monetary donation, which can be put in the white mailbox on the food donation table. Thank you!

#### SPRING CHURCH WORKDAY

Our annual spring church workday is THIS Saturday, May 17 from 9 am - 12 pm. There will be indoor and outdoor jobs for people of all ages. We'll have pizza at noon! Sign up at the Connection Center or by clicking this link to let us know how many people (and therefore how much work) we can plan on!



#### **GRADUATE RECOGNITION**

We will be celebrating our 2025 graduates on Sunday, May 18. They are:

Grace Kent (Forest Hills Northern)
Abby Schnelker (Forest Hills Central)
Kenzie Swiftney (Kea'au High School in Keaau, Hawaii)
Edie VanderLeek (University of Wisconsin)
Ben Vega (Auto Body Technician – Employer Based Apprenticeship)
Rick Vega (Aquinas College)
Nik Williams (Grand Rapids Public Schools Museum High School)

Beverly Katt-Haycraft is making a special treat for us to enjoy during our fellowship time following worship as we celebrate our graduates!

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THIRD THIS WEEK?

| TODAY     | Worship Service   | 10:00 AM |
|-----------|---|----------|
| May 11    | Children's Worship Offered                                      |          |
| MONDAY    | Senior Neighbors Tai Chi for Arthritis Classes                  | 12:30 PM |
| May 12    | Pickleball for Everyone   | 4:30 PM  |
| TUESDAY   | Craft/Quilt Group Workshop                                      | 9:00 AM  |
| May 13    | Staff Meeting   | 10:30 AM |
|           | Worship Planning Meeting  | 11:30 AM |
|           | Leadership Collaborative  | 6:00 PM  |
| WEDNESDAY | Women's Bible Study   | 9:30 AM  |
| May 14    | Senior Neighbors Tai Chi for Arthritis Classes                  | 12:30 PM |
|           | Improv Class  | 6:30 PM  |
|           | Narcotics Anonymous   | 6:30 PM  |
| THURSDAY  | Take Charge Meeting (70x7)                                      | 9:30 AM  |
| May 15    | Ele's Place Program   | 5:30 PM  |
| SATURDAY  | DeColores 4 <sup>th</sup> Day Workshop                          | 8:00 AM  |
| May 17    | Spring Workday  | 9:00 AM  |
| SUNDAY    | Worship Service   | 10:00 AM |
| May 18    | Children's Worship Offered Graduate Recognition                 |          |
|           | Faith Forum and Children's Sunday School (2 <sup>nd</sup> Hour) | 11:30 AM |
|           | 7/8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Group                             | 5:30 PM  |
|           | High School Youth Group   | 5:30 PM  |

## **CRAFT/QUILT GROUP WORKSHOP IS BACK!!**



Do you enjoy knitting, crocheting, cross stitching, quilting, etc. Pack up whatever you are working on at home and come join us this Tuesday, May 13, from 9:30 am – 12 pm in the drama room. Can't make it Tuesday?

This group meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month.



# A community of Christ's disciples, and the presence of Christ to our neighbors.

## YOUR 2024/2025 CONSISTORY

#### **ELDERS**

Len De Braber, Vice President Melissa VanderLeek, Clerk Walt Lockwood Dawn Muller Windy Schnelker Barb Teitsma

#### **PRESIDENT**

Rev. Jeffrey Petersen

#### **DEACONS**

Brandon Slomp, Assistant Treasurer Marc Coleman, Chair of Deacons Jason Crow Ryan De Korte Bill Hamlin Karen Vander Meulen

#### **TREASURER**

Karen Vander Meulen

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