# A Meeting with God and His People To Celebrate and Worship our Lord and King January 5, 2014

Welcome to our guests! Thank you for joining us. If you are new to our church family, please fill out a "Visitor Card" found in the pew rack, and drop it in the offering plate later in the service. Following the service, please join us in the fellowship hall for coffee, cookies and fellowship.

We begin a sermon series today that will help us to learn what it means to follow Jesus—called "Follow Me." It will shake up and alter some of our old ways of thinking and living and give us a vision for what authentic discipleship looks like for each one of us.

Pray for God's Spirit to startle and capture our hearts so that we can honor our Lord and Savior with radical love, joy and action.

PRELUDE Worship Team

Never Gonna Stop

WELCOME/CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed Assurance Great Is Thy Faithfulness Redeemer, Savior, Friend

**PRAYER** 

Amazing Grace

INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

Prayer Exposition Questions to Officers Elect Prayer

Ordination and Installation of Officers
Declaration

\*Questions for the Congregation

Do you, the members of this congregation, who have affirmed these men in their respective offices, receive them as the duly elected and ordained servants of Christ in his Church?

Will you esteem them for the sake of the offices for which they have been chosen and ordained?

And do you promise to walk in the obedience of faith to Jesus Christ as Lord of his Church and to these servants through whom it pleases him to exercise his Lordship? What is your response?

We do.

Exhortation

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (led by Charlton Meyer via video)

10.000 Reasons

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CHILDREN AGES 3 - 5.5 ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN CHILDREN'S WORSHIP AT THIS TIME IN ROOM 3.

THE GOSPEL PREACHED

Pastor Tim Meendering

"Following Jesus" – Follow Me #1 Luke 9:51-62 (p.1005)

Luke 9.51-62 (p. 1005)

You Shall Go Out With Joy

BENEDICTION

#### This Week at Fourth...

#### Today, January 5

- Nursery Workers: Jennifer Parks and Connie Scherpenisse. Next week: Beth Rossiter and Sue Hawkins.
- Greeters: Mike & Nancy Brinks. Next week: Jeff & Erin Broene.
- Children's Worship Leaders: Amy Baragar. Next week: Branson Parler and Erin Berrevoets.
- Coffee will be served by Ed & Sharon Van Timmeren and Dave & Julie Gleason. Next week: Ken & Amy Coeling and Greg & Leslie Hawkins.
- 11:00 AM Kids Praise will resume next Sunday.
- 11:15 AM Christian Education.
- 5:00 PM J-Walkers.

### Monday, January 6

• 6:30 PM – **GEMS**.

### Tuesday, January 7

- 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study.
- 3:30 PM 180 Homework Help.
- 6:45 PM Prayer Gathering in Room 1.
- 7:00 PM High School.

#### Thursday, January 9

• 5:00 PM - **180**.

## Praise & Prayer Concerns

- Pray for continued healing, patience and encouragement for Norma Boehm as she recovers from knee replacement surgery.
- Bob Scherpenisse's brother, Don, who fell and suffered a closed head injury was re-admitted to ICU this past week, but was hoping to be moved again to rehab on Friday.
- Pray for healing, faith and provision for the Woods family as they struggle through hard times in their marriage and life.
- Pray for Mary Proos' sister, Ruth, who had several mini strokes.
   Pray for encouragement and healing, especially with her sight, as it left one eye partially blind.
- John Bills began struggling with kidney stones on Friday with a visit to the ER. Pray for healing and relief from the discomfort.
- Pray for our elders and deacons as they take up their work of the
  physical and spiritual care of our church family. The task is great and
  even impossible apart from God's Spirit and our support through
  prayer, encouragement and care for one another.

#### **Announcements**

Installation Service will be held this morning. Jeff Broene, Ken Walton, Chad Kooyer, Greg Hawkins and Paul Baragar will be ordained/installed as deacons and Kurt Faasse, Norm Schalk, Eric Schalk, Bob Burggraaf, and Don Coutchie will be ordained/installed as elders.

Mission of the Month is Words of Hope (WOH), a Reformed Church Ministry located in Grand Rapids, Michigan. WOH works in some of the hardest places in the world because they want people everywhere to be able to hear the gospel in their own language. It's a difficult challenge to meet, but they believe the light of Christ shines brightly, even in the darkest corners. A hard place: 1) lacks resources like money, education, and good medical care, 2) has geographic challenges such as deserts, small island communities, or treacherous mountains. 3) lacks Christian media like Christian book stores, radio stations, music, television, and movies, and 4) has restricted religious freedom, making practicing Christianity unpopular or even dangerous. Because of these characteristics of hard places, WOH emphasizes holistic ministry and is committed to embracing any new technology or media that will help them reach growing numbers of people with the Gospel of Christ. Your gifts help provide these resources. An offering will be taken January 19.

## Fourth Reformed

A Community Redeemed to Redeem Our Community



Seeking to be a joyful, welcoming community that is transformed by the gospel, nurtured in God's Word, and led by His Spirit to redeem the city and beyond.

1226 Union NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505 616.454.1561 www.fourthchurch.com **Women's Ministry** - It's never too cold to have breakfast at Russ' Restaurant on Plainfield with warm hearted friends! Save Saturday, January 18, at 9:00 for a great breakfast and conversation. Sign up is out today!

#### **Appreciation**

- Dee Christians sends her thanks for all the Christmas cards she received. They were greatly appreciated.
- Many thanks for the multiple ways in which you encouraged and supported me through my knee replacement. Although there are many weeks of therapy ahead, the worst is behind me. I feel greatly blessed by God's healing and your expressions of love and care.

- Norma Boehm

Help moving furniture is needed from 1140 Union to 1144 Union on Saturday, January 11th. I would like to start around 11 AM - pizza, coffee and soda will be provided. If you think you might be available, call me at 616-690-9302. The forecast is for a partially sunny day with a heat wave at around 30 degrees. I have a plan to do a furniture relay from the porch of my house to the house next door. Thank you!

- Nancy Aukeman

Elders/Consistory Report – The consistory met on Monday and we gave thanks for God's gracious provision for us financially this year as it appears that while there are some savings or decreased expenses compared to what we budgeted, we have also received nearly 100% of budgeted receipts. Details will be provided after all receipts and invoices are recorded. The 2013 and 2014 elders worked together to develop the care groups assigned to each elder and deacon. The elders also removed Gail Spangler and Bjorn and Alyssa Byslma as members, at their request. Congratulations to Bjorn and Alyssa on the birth of McKinley Rae on Tuesday! We pray for God's blessing on their family as they have become a part of Frontline Community Church.

Kids Hope USA - Mentoring resumes tomorrow.

## **New City Neighbors**

- TRIP Orders placed today can be picked up after 10:30 AM on Tuesday.
- **High School** We're back in action this week. We meet on Tuesday at 7:00 PM. Snacks are provided!
- **180** Afterschool homework help starts up again on Tuesday at 3:30 PM, and our big night begins on Thursday at 5:00.

### "Following Jesus" - Follow Me #1

Luke 9:51-62 Tim Meendering

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