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**A Meeting with God and His People  
To Celebrate and Worship our Lord and King  
February 2, 2014**

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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.

Gospel seed works gently and yet powerfully toward ultimately gathering in a harvest. As we consider the parable of the soils this morning in our sermon series, we will see how gospel understanding and our response play a significant role in our ability to faithfully follow and become like Jesus.

We welcome Jake Parks, our pastoral intern from Western Seminary, as he provides leadership for our worship this morning.

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PRELUDE Worship Team

*You Are Good*

WELCOME/CALL TO WORSHIP

*A New Hallelujah  
Be Unto Your Name*

PRAYER

*Word of God Speak  
Rock of Ages Cleft For Me*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*Thy Word*

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

**"Seed and Harvest" – Follow Me #5**  
Mark 4:1-20 (p. 971)

*Lord of the Harvest*

BENEDICTION

The pastor and elders are available following the service to pray with you or answer your questions about the Christian faith.

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***This Week at Fourth...***

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**Today, February 2**

- **Nursery Workers:** Amy Adams and Julie Gleason. Next week: Ruth Meendering and Lynn Simone.
- **Greeters:** Kurt & Dawn Faasse. Next week: Greg & Leslie Hawkins.
- **Children's Worship Leaders:** Jennifer Wammack and Sam Tubergen. Next week: Beka McDowell and Tim Brinks.
- **Coffee** will be served by Justin & Elise Leasure and Beau & Beka McDowell. Next week: Sandy Gleason, Phyllis Berrevoets, Sue Berrios and Dennis Jingles.
- 11:00 AM - **Kids Praise.**
- 11:15 AM - **Christian Education.**

**Monday, February 3**

- 6:30 PM - **GEMS.**

**Tuesday, February 4**

- 10:00 AM - **Women's Bible Study.**
- 3:30 PM - **180 Homework Help.**
- 6:45 PM - **Prayer Gathering in Room 1.**
- 6:45 PM – **Deacons** and **Elders** meet. Those who feel led by the Holy Spirit to confess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior and those desiring baptism or transfer are encouraged to contact Pastor Tim before Tuesday.

**Wednesday, February 5**

- Noon - **Kids Hope Leadership Meeting.**
- 7:00 PM - **High School.**

**Thursday, February 6**

- 5:00 PM - **180.**

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***Praise & Prayer Concerns***

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- It's amazing and we give thanks as **Bob Scherpenisse's brother, Don** was able to go home on Monday.
- Pray for our friend, **John Haney**, as he persists in the darkness of alcohol abuse and much more.
- Take your prayers for **Mission India** to the next level by lifting up prayer requests from real men, women, and children living in India. Sign up for your daily prayer alert: [www.missionindia.org/prayer](http://www.missionindia.org/prayer).
- **Pray for prayer** and join us for our weekly prayer gathering on Tuesdays at 6:45 PM.
- Pray for our **elders and deacons** as they meet on Tuesday to focus on their work of caring for our church family.
- Pray for **health, protection, healing, love, joy and God's Spirit** to prevail in our marriages, families and relationships.

## Announcements

**Ordination** - Join us as we celebrate the ordination of Eric Schalk as a Specialized Minister in the RCA next Sunday at 2 PM here at Fourth. Following the service, we will have a dessert reception. New City Neighbors is providing a cake, but because we don't know how many will attend, we would appreciate several people signing up to bring additional desserts. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church if you are willing to contribute. Thank you!

**Mission of the Month** - India is one of the most spiritually thirsty places on earth - and is blooming with new life as God is pouring out His Living Water through the efforts of **Mission India**. India's women and men are empowered with new skills through **Adult Literacy Classes**. **Children's Bible Clubs** touch millions of India's boys and girls and graduates of their **Church Planter Training** started thousands of new churches last year. Be in prayer for Mission India, especially during the month of February, as they gather the lost from the ends of the earth! Our offering for this ministry will be February 23.

**Membership Class** - Pastor Tim will be hosting a membership class on the evenings of March 9 and 16 (7-9 PM). This class prepares new or soon-to-be new members for faithfully taking up their position in our church family. But it is also a great way for you to learn some essentials of the faith, explore what it means to profess your faith and become a member of Fourth. If this would serve you at this time, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

**Fourth Marriage Retreat** - Details about the date and place are still being worked out but the planning for a marriage retreat in late March is underway. We will be guided by Scripture, learn from each other and it will be for all couples—those with months or decades of experience. Consider joining us and pray for the preparations as they take shape over the next few weeks.

### Kids Hope USA

- **Leadership Team Meeting** will be held Wednesday, February 5 at noon in the Kids Hope office.
- **Pizza Luncheon** will be held on Wednesday, February 12 from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM at Kent Hills School. Mentors, Prayer Partners and Substitutes, if you are able to attend, please sign up by February 9.

### New City Neighbors

- **TRIP** - Our credit so far this year is \$178. Orders placed today can be picked up after 10:30 AM on Tuesday.
- **High School** - This coming week we will be meeting on **WEDNESDAY** at 7:00 PM. We will continue our series on Nehemiah, eat some snacks, and enjoy some time together.
- **180** - There are only a few empty dessert spots for 2014. If you can help us out with some cookies or other goodies, please sign up today!

# 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.

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