A Meeting with God and His People To Celebrate and Worship our Lord and King March 16, 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.

The cup of salvation that Jesus offers to us becomes intensely sweet when we better understand what we have been saved from. The Lord's Supper and preaching will work to fill our minds and senses with a better understanding of the cup of wrath that Jesus drank for us.

Prelude

Worship Team

10,000 Reasons

WELCOME/CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus, What A Friend For Sinners Hosanna

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS INTO OUR CHURCH FAMILY
John & Libby Sandvig

KIDS PRAISE TEAM Shine On Us

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

To God Be the Glory

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

"Drinking the Cup"
Matthew 26:27-28 (p. 963)

THE CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

*CONFESSION OF FAITH - THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary;
suffered under Pontius Pilate;
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit.
I believe in a holy catholic church,
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. AMEN.

MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT INVITATION

Fourth Church welcomes all baptized Christians--who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation and are members, in good standing, of a congregation that proclaims the gospel - to receive the Holy Communion with us.

PRAYER

COMMUNION – Words of Institution

COMMUNION OFFERING FOR ACCESS

We Are People On a Journey

BENEDICTION

This Week at Fourth...

Today, March 16

- Nursery Workers: Jeni Wammack and Caren Bills. Next week: Maria Dorn and Nancy Aukeman.
- **Greeters:** Kenny & Amy Holubeck. Next week: Marty Berthiaume and Mary Kay Townley.
- Children's Worship Leaders: Dawn Faasse and James Brinks.
 Next week: Branson Parler, Erin Berrevoets and Ellie McDowell.
- Coffee will be served by Tom & Amy Adams and Ralph & Lynn Simone. Next week: Ruth Meendering and Chad & Amy Kooyer.
- 11:00 AM Kids Praise Team.
- 11:15 AM Christian Education.
- 4:00 PM J Walkers.
- 5:00 PM Boehm's Lifeline Group.
- 7:00 PM New Members Class.

This week's calendar continued....

Monday, March 17

6:30 PM - GEMS.

Tuesday, March 18

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

Thursday, March 20

• 5:00 PM - **180.**

Praise & Prayer Concerns

- Pray for those who will be participating in the Fourth Marriage Retreat on March 29. Pray for health, love, healing and joy for our marriages and families.
- Pray that a **second cardioversion for Kurt Faasse** on this past Friday will be successful to restore his heart's proper rhythm.
- We give thanks for progress and continue to pray for **Jerry Wierenga** as he recovers from basil cell surgery around his eye.

Announcements

Mission of the Month - Our Mission of the Month for March is Joel & Marilyn Van Dyke. Joel directs the work of CTM (Center for Transforming Mission) in Latin America. CTM is committed to participate in existing, and help start new networks for the purposes of effectively serving high-risk populations in hard places. They work diligently at mobilizing, nurturing and encouraging leaders who serve these communities so they can see and celebrate Good News in hard places through various ministries. Pray for the Van Dykes as they seek the peace of the communities they serve, making tangible the vision of Jesus. Our mission offering will be taken for the Van Dykes next week.

Consistory/Elders Update – The elders were grateful to receive John & Libby Sandvig as our newest members. They will share their faith journey with us today and formally be welcomed into our church family. The consistory approved a request from our Missions Team to take up support for Gary & Rachel deLeon and their ministry with AMG in Guatemala. The consistory also approved a summer internship for Jake Parks. Jake will do some preaching, make some visits, and take up various projects.

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.

Women's Ministry

- Craft Night Ladies, if you craft, bring it and come. If you enjoy fellowship, bring yourself and come. Join us for a fun night on Tuesday, March 18 from 7 9 PM in the fellowship hall!
- Retreat Ladies interested in helping to plan the fall women's retreat, please meet in Room 1 following the service this morning. We will discuss ideas and divide up the planning responsibilities. Didn't sign up to help but interested in joining the planning team? See you in room 1!
- Adult C.E. Gary Proos will be leading a class beginning next Sunday that will revolve around what Scripture and other information teaches us about life and all the daily choices we make. There is an abundance of Scripture about work, occupation, money, life risk, good and bad times, who you associate with, what you do with your money and much more. Before class next week, please read I Timothy 6:1-10 for an understanding of what this class is and is not about. You will not be put on the spot—as far as reading, praying, talking or whatever makes you uncomfortable. Come, listen, share and enjoy a time of learning what God teaches us through Scripture.
- Organic Outreach for Ordinary People is a conference led by Dr. Kevin Harney that will fire up and equip you to share Jesus in new and effective ways. The event is on Saturday, March 22, from 9 AM to 4:30 PM. Registration is \$30, which includes a book and lunch and it is being held at Central Wesleyan Church in Holland. Kevin is an excellent teacher and equipper for this work to which we are all called. We will gather at church at 8 AM to carpool. Sign up in the narthex so that we can register as a team. Leaders and those interested are also encouraged to consider the leadership training for organic outreach on Friday. Scholarships are available if you need assistance with the registration fee. Details can be found at westmichigandistrict.com.
- Fourth Marriage Retreat March 29 at Fourth We will enjoy times of learning from Scripture and each other through a "Newlywed Game," testimonies, discussions, teaching, small groups and a panel. If you are engaged or married—whether it has been for six months or sixty years—we want you to join us. Please pray for the preparations for this important event for our church family. Note that the time has changed to 10 AM to 5 PM and you will be strongly encouraged to go on a dinner date thereafter to process some of what we have learned together. Please arrive by 9:50 AM so that you can pay and be settled for a prompt start. The cost will be \$15 per couple to cover the expenses such as snacks and a lunch that will be provided. Sign up to indicate your plans to participate.
- Roll Up Your Sleeves in Ministry With Us Good Friday and Easter are approaching quickly and we need your help. On Good Friday, April

18, we will again host a dinner and a deeply meaningful Tenebrae service in conjunction with New City Church and Creston Christian Reformed Church. So we need a few people to participate with a team that will organize the food and clean-up relating to the meal. Since we are hosting this event, our part will focus primarily on set-up and clean-up. And so we need especially one or two people who are acquainted with the kitchen and dishwashing equipment. Please sign up to assist with this great event. We are also again planning to serve an Easter morning breakfast prior to our worship service. And so again, we need a few people who will assist with set-up (on Saturday) and clean-up. Please sign up to assist us in this important hospitality event AND, all of us are tasked with inviting at least one guest for our grand Easter celebration!

Reminder - Sermon note sheets can be found next to the children's bulletins if they are not included in the bulletin.

Kids Hope USA Easter Celebration will be held on April 2 from 6 - 8 PM. We will begin with a ham dinner followed by the telling of the Easter story. Kids Hope volunteers, please make your reservation by March 30.

New City Neighbors

- TRIP Our credit so far this year is \$492. Orders placed today can be picked up after 10:30 AM on Tuesday.
- **High School** We meet this Tuesday at 7:00 PM to continue our series on Lent. Snacks will be provided.
- Community Garden If you currently have a garden plot, please talk to Eric Schalk to let him know if you are interested in having a plot again this year.
- New City Urban Farm The farm continues to offer farm shares for 2014. We have full, half and quarter shares available. We are excited to be able to receive EBT with Double-up-Bucks this season for any farm share purchases. We also have an online application form for any high school students who would like to participate in our summer employment program. We will be hiring 8 students again this year. Pick farm brochure in the back. visit website www.newcityneighbors.org/farm, or email Lance Kraai at lancek@newcityneighbors.org if you would like to receive more information.