

## FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

April 21, 2024

9:30 AM

### Prelude

### Welcome

### Announcements

### Call to Worship

### Greeting

\***Song** #35 “To God Be the Glory”

### Kingdom Builders

**Children’s Message:** Julie Vande Kamp

**Baptism:** Easton Lee Van’t Hul

\***Song** “Goodness of God”

### Congregational Prayer

**Isaiah 40:28-31** - *Recited by Caleb Van Beek*

<sup>28</sup> Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.

<sup>29</sup> He gives power to the faint,  
and to him who has no might he increases  
strength.

<sup>30</sup> Even youths shall faint and be weary,  
and young men shall fall exhausted;

**Scripture:** Esther 4

*Esther Agrees to Help the Jews*

<sup>10</sup> Then Esther spoke to Hathach and commanded him to go to Mordecai and say, <sup>11</sup> “All the king's servants and the people of the king's provinces know that if any man or woman goes to the king inside the inner court without being called, there is but one law—to be put to death, except the one to whom the king holds out the golden scepter so that he may live. But as for me, I have not been called to come in to the king these thirty days.” <sup>12</sup> And

they told Mordecai what Esther had said. <sup>13</sup> Then Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, “Do not think to yourself that in the king's palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. <sup>14</sup> For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?” <sup>15</sup> Then Esther told them to reply to Mordecai, <sup>16</sup> “Go, gather all the Jews to be found in Susa, and hold a fast on my behalf, and do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my young women will also fast as you do. Then I will go to the king, though it is against the law, and if I perish, I perish.” <sup>17</sup> Mordecai then went away and did everything as Esther had ordered him.

**Message:** “Born for a Purpose”

### Prayer

\***Song** #496 “Oh Jesus, I Have Promised”

### \*Benediction

### \*Postlude



Welcome to the First Reformed Church, we are glad to have you worshiping with us. Please join us for coffee, tea, cappuccino, hot chocolate, juice, and cookies in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service

### Calendar for the Day:

9:30 AM Pastor Cliff will lead us in worship.

10:45 AM Sunday School & Catechism

10:45 AM Young Women’s Bible Study in the Consistory Room.

### Serving Today:

**Organist:** Ruth Vande Stroet

**Pianist:** Madelyn Vander Heul

**Sound:** Blankespoor family

**Nursery:** Matt & Meghan Vande Kamp

**Lift:** Todd Netten

**Coffee:** Rod & Lil Netten

**Offering:** Church Ministry Fund

### Birthdays & Anniversaries:

April 22: Duane Ver Mulm

April 24: Katie Vande Vegte

April 25: Jada Westra

Brian & Kayla Van’t Hul

April 26: Matt De Wit

Lil Netten

Herb & Mina Bliiek (67)

April 28: Ross & Marissa Van Keckerix

### Prayers & Praises:

*Kris Vande Hoef & Carla Koldenhoven* as they continue to recover from surgery.

*Ruth Vande Stroet & Leanne Bliiek* as they continue with treatment.

**Next Week:**

**Monday, April 22:**

3:30 PM The Block

**Tuesday, April 23:**

3:30 PM Kids' Block

**Thursday, April 25:**

3:30 PM Kids' Block

**Sunday, April 28:**

Pastor Cliff will lead us in worship. This will be the last day of Sunday School & Catechism! An offering will be received for the Building Fund.

**Music:** Team 1

**Sound:** Bouwman family

**Children's Message:** Bobbi Jo Van Kekerix

**Nursery:** Paul & Linda Van Kekerix

**Lift:** Marv Vonk

**Coffee:** Gary & Donna Miller

**Offering:** Church Ministry Fund  
Building Fund

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Our **mission** is accepting God's love, growing in the Word and Spirit, serving others.

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Our **vision** is to follow Jesus daily as we love and serve all people.



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