First Netherlands Reformed Congregation



"Do good in Thy good pleasure unto Zion: build Thou the walls of Jerusalem." Psalm 51:18

Pastor - Rev. H. Hofman

Sunday Worship Services 9:15 AM 2:15 PM 6:00 PM

Located at 1261 Beckwith N.E. Grand Rapids, MI

Bulletin for December 14, 2025

All the following information is "The Lord Willing."

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Today, we will have three reading services. Rev. Hofman is in the Netherlands serving the Middelharnis and Nieuwerkerk congregations.
- Next Sunday, Rev. Hofman will preach at our morning and evening services, and we will have a reading service in the afternoon. There will be no adult Bible class or catechism classes on Sunday, December 21 and 28.
- The school board will meet on Tuesday at 7:00 PM.
- Due to scheduling issues, the morning guild will not meet on Wednesday.
- The confession class will meet on Thursday at 7:00 PM.
- Membership papers have been sent to Mr. Ben Van Roekel for his transfer to the Corsica, South Dakota, congregation. May the Lord go with him in the unknown future.
- The latest Paul and the TBS quarterly magazines are in the narthex racks.
- The consistory has placed two boxes in the narrhex for donations to the Youth Group activities. We appreciate your support in helping offset the costs of Classis Youth Day, the annual Mackinaw trip, and the local Youth Group activities.

PRAYERS OFFERED

- For Mrs. Edith Bazen, who suffered a fall and remains in the hospital. The family kindly requests no visitors at this time.
- For Koa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Hendrickson, who could return home from the hospital.
- For Mr. and Mrs. Andy Wubbeling, who were blessed with the birth of a baby girl, Savannah Sue, on December 5. Both mother and baby are doing well.
- For Mr. and Mrs. Lance Maassen, who were blessed with the birth of a baby boy, Elias Alan, on December 5. Both mother and baby are doing well.

ADVANCED

- There will be a sing-along after the evening service on December 21. We welcome all our young people in 9th grade and up.
- We will have one service on Christmas Day at 9:30 AM.
- Our New Year's Eve service will be at 7:00 PM.
- We will have one service on New Year's Day at 9:30 AM.

OFFERINGS

Today: 1st General

2nd School Tuition

December 21: 1st Banner/Insight Into

2nd School Tuition

December 25: 1st ESSP

2nd School Tuition

Next Sunday, there will be a collection for the annual cost of the *Banner of Truth* and *Insight Into* subscriptions. Our members receive these periodicals through these offerings, and we recommend them accordingly.

BUS DRIVERS

PCS is still seeking full-time bus drivers. If you are interested, please contact Cindy Bazen at 616-862-5988.

APPRECIATION

I would like to thank all those who remembered me on my birthday. I appreciated it very much. Joyce Parmeter

We would like to thank the congregation for all the meals, cards, and visits after Gertrude's surgery. It was very much appreciated. *Henry and Gertrude Rosendall*

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 21, 2025

Infants AM Infants PM

Mrs. Shalaina Rosendall
Jackie Kamp
Hannah Kegel
Lilia Knibbe
Mrs. Karleen Klaasen
Madelyn Hoefakker
Amber VanDyke
Hayley Knibbe

Toddlers AM Toddlers PM

Mrs. Melanie Wubbeling
Addison Blom
Abigail Sporte
Alivia Kleyn

Mrs. Jennifer Rogell
Sheri Knibbe
Courtney Van't Zelfde
Tessa Stegenga

JANUARY 2026 HOUSE VISITATION

If a visit must be canceled, please contact an elder to reschedule.

January 13

Elder: R. VanDenTop, Deacon: D. DeMeester

7:00 PM Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kamp 8:15 PM Mr. and Mrs. Mark Fluit 8:15 PM Mr. Andrew Fluit 8:15 PM Mr. Isaac Fluit

Elders: M. Blom, J. Spaans

7:00 PM Miss Jacqueline Kamp 7:00 PM Mr. Christopher Kamp 8:15 PM Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Kamp

Elders: S. Boluyt, J. VanZweden

7:00 PM Dr. and Mrs. Lourens Willekes 8:15 PM Mr. and Mrs. John C. Kegel

January 20

Elders: R. VanDenTop, M. Blom 7:00 PM Dr. and Mrs. Ben Schipper 8:15 PM Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rose

Elder: S. Boluyt, Deacon: H. Hofman

7:00 PM Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Van'tZelfde 8:15 PM Mr. and Mrs. Aron Bazen 8:15 PM Mr. John Bazen 8:15 PM Miss Emily Bazen

January 27

Elders: S. Boluyt, M. Blom

7:00 PM Mr. and Mrs. Amos Kamp 8:15 PM Mr. and Mrs. Tim Westrate 8:15 PM Mr. Kyle Westrate 8:15 PM Miss Sara Westrate

Elders: B. Greendyk, J. VanZweden

7:00 PM Mr. and Mrs. Tom VanDyke 8:15 PM Mr. and Mrs. Sam GeBuys

January 30 (afternoon)
Elders: J. VanZweden, M. Blom
1:00 PM Ms. Carol Moerdyk

Church Directory

CATECHISM AND ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Classes meet after the Sunday morning service.

COLLECTIONS

Offerings are used to fund church operations and to support various charitable causes, as published regularly in the bulletin. While it is intended to use collected amounts as announced, pursuant to IRS guidelines, discretion and control of these contributed funds remain with the Consistory.

CONSISTORY

The Consistory meets on the first Tuesday of each month.

LYDIA GUILD

The Lydia Guild meets on alternate weeks at 7:30 p.m.

LISTENING EAR SUPPORT COMMITTEE

Website <u>ListeningEar.FirstNRC.org</u> or email <u>NRCListeningEar@gmail.com</u>

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Nursery is provided for morning and evening services. Email <u>nursery@firstnrc.org</u>

RECORDINGS

MP3 CDs of the services are available, and an online sermon library can be found at <u>recordings.firstnrc.org</u>. Those who wish to request a sermon CD or online access may email <u>recordings@firstnrc.org</u> or contact Tom Engelsma at 616-292-8741.

PRINTED MATERIAL INFORMATION

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616-822-6367
403-320-7992

SCHOOL INFORMATION

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www.plymouthchristianschools.org

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please email announcements to Elder John Spaans/Tom Engelsma at <u>bulletin@firstnrc.org</u> or call Tom at 616-292-8741 by 8:00 PM on Thursday.

CHURCH DIRECTORY; MODERN MEDIA MATTERS, BULLETINS, PERIODICALS

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