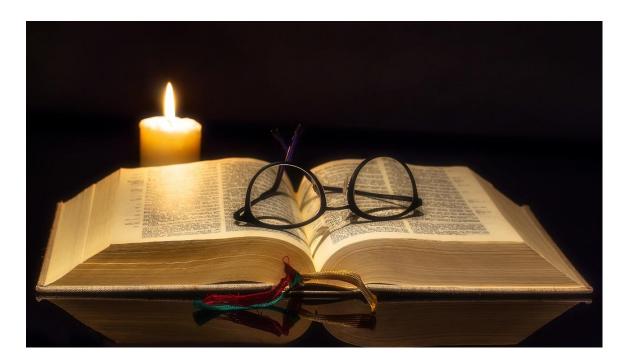


Seventh Reformed Church

January 1, 2025

And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

2025 Motto Text: Philippians 1:6



New Year's Day

Welcome!

Seventh Reformed Church is a covenant community of God's people that exists to glorify God by gathering, nurturing, and equipping believers according to the supreme Word of God for life in the Spirit, Christian service, and witness to Jesus Christ in Grand Rapids and throughout the world.

Seventh Reformed Church is a member of the World Reformed Fellowship (www.wrfnet.org)

New Year's Day Service

Invitation to Worship

Confession That God Is Our Help

LH 863 *Take My Life and Let It Be,* vv. 1, 2, 5, 6

Prayer for Blessing A Greeting from God Response: Doxology

Remembrance of Our Brother and Sisters Departed 2024 SH Be Still My Soul

Pastoral Prayer

Response: LH 661 Just a Closer Walk with Thee, v. 1

LH 859 Be Thou My Vision

Contextual Reading: Ephesians 5:1–21, p. 1,244

Sermon: Make the Best of 2025

Text: Ephesians 5:15–21 **Prayer for Blessing on the Word of God**

LH 329 Lead Me, Guide Me

Parting Blessing from God

Response: LH 745 Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit, *both verses

Preacher: Pastor Paul van Engelenhoven Accompanist: Mrs. Virginia Rubingh

Sermon Notes

Make the Best of 2025 Ephesians 5:15–21

0	Introduction: Children of Light
1.	The Christian's Careful Walk
2.	The Christian's Wise Walk
3.	The Christian's Sober Walk
4.	The Christian's Spirit-Filled Walk
5.	The Christian's Grateful Walk

New Year's Day

Announcements

9:45 Morning Worship

Greeting Elder: Gerrit Tromp

Welcome Center: Jisun van Engelenhoven Nursery: Andrea Gillon/Chris Lynde

Usher: Steve Lynde **Elder Assignment**

Rear Sanctuary: East—Jim Eldersveld

Center—Pastor Paul West—Roy Visser

Front Sanctuary: East—Israel Quaresma

We warmly welcome you to our New Year's Day service!

2025 Motto Text: Philippians 1:6. Postcards are in your mailbox today.

Collection Designation: The offering this morning will be for Kids' Life Bible Club.

Bible Reading Plans: There is an assortment of reading plans available in the Foyer.

Much Appreciated: The Consistory expresses their appreciation for all of those who helped with the special services in recent weeks. We were all blessed by those who participated in the annual Sunday School program, those who led us in worship for the Service of Lessons and Carols, and to the music director, choir, and musicians for their offerings of praise this Christmas season. Thanks also to those who brought refreshments for the fellowship times after our special services.

This service is broadcast over WFUR FM 92.9 at 11:00 a.m. and will be live streamed on YouTube. The message can be heard at a later time on YouTube and at www.7thref.org.

In Memoriam—2024

Fred Rosendall	July 4	81 years
Dorothy Gaastra	December 19	96 years
Beth Stellema	December 23	65 years

Elders	Deacons	Staff
Pastor Paul van Engelenhoven, President	Dave Huber, President	Paul van Engelenhoven, S.B.G., Pastor
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