

## This Week's Events:

### Tuesday:

- Bible Study Fellowship: 7 p.m.
- Women's Ministry Self Defense: 7 p.m.

### Wednesday:

- Men's Bible Study: 5:30 a.m.
- Supper (breakfast): 5 p.m.
- Middle School Ministry: 6:15 p.m.
- Cadets (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade boys): 6:15 p.m.
- All Church Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.
- Church Made Simple: 6:30 p.m.

### Prayer Requests:

- Tim & Nancy Kuzma's niece Nikki had emergency surgery for sepsis on January 17.
- Brian Scholten's brother Larry had surgery to remove a mass in his abdomen.
- Lizzy Hagen had surgery to address some health concerns with her unborn identical twins.
- Ashlynn Lengkeek was in the hospital with a UTI and pneumonia and is back home.
- Rog Smith took a nasty fall on January 13 and is healing from those injuries.
- Ashley Meyer had ACL and reconstructive surgery on her knee on January 13.
- Tim & Nancy Kuzma's granddaughter Claire had surgery on January 12 to have a feeding port put in.
- Dan & Dawn Wedeven's grandson Cohen had surgery on January 6 to remove a cyst on his intestine and is back home.
- Please pray for the BERG Church in Germany.
- Please pray for revival in the United States.
- Continued healing for Jerome Berens, Emily Boerman, Marcia Boerman, Maria Brockman, Larry Eding, Amanda Gaulke, Jodi Geurink, John Koops, Betty Kroeze, Mitch Lengkeek, Eric McCleery, Andrea Mulder, Brenda Immink's cousin Steve, Tina Raak's sister Linda, Brittany McCarter's stepmom Kat, Rog Smith's great-grandson Wyatt, and Carl & Kathie Slotman's grandson Jack.
- Loved ones under hospice care: Missionary Lori Lampen's mom
- Our friends at home: Betty Kroeze and Shirley Price
- Our missionaries serving the Lord internationally and domestically.

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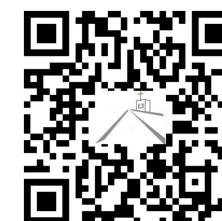
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# Bentheim Reformed Church



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Service Times:  
Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.



We exist to reach the lost, exalt Christ, serve the community, and teach God's Word.

## Lord's Day Worship

January 25, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

Pastor Kristoffer Popovitch

Scripture Meditation: "Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God." 2 Corinthians 7:1

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 119:9-16

Invocation

Songs of Praise:  
*God So Loved*  
*Revelation Song*  
*Because He Lives*

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 (page 1173)  
Romans 12:1-2 (page 1126)

**Message: Honoring God with Your Body is the Will of God**

Prayer of Application

Apostle's Creed

The Lord's Supper

Benevolent Offering

Song of Response:  
*Grace Alone*

Benediction

Doxology

## Today's Events:

- Care for the Marginalized class, led by Alfonzo Gemmen, will meet in the consistory room after the morning service.
- Evening Service: 5 p.m. Tim & Nancy Kuzma will be sharing their testimonies.
- High School Ministry: 6 p.m.
- Young Adults Group: 6:30 p.m.

### What does it mean when the Apostle's Creed states "He descended into hell":

The phrase "He descended into hell" does **not** mean that Jesus went to the place of eternal punishment after His death. When the Creed states "He descended to hell" it means that on the cross He endured the full weight of God's judgment against sin. Instead, in order to be faithful to sacred Scripture, which is the final authority regarding all matters of faith and morals, we need to affirm Jesus went to Paradise after He died (Luke 23:43).

John Calvin explained, "After explaining what Christ endured in the sight of man, the Creed appropriately adds the invisible and incomprehensible judgment which he endured before God, to teach us that not only was the body of Christ given up as the price of redemption, but that there was a greater and more excellent price — that he bore in his soul the tortures of a condemned and ruined man" (Institutes 2.16.10).

By including this line, the Creed emphasizes that Christ's saving work is complete:  
1. He bore the **curse and wrath of God** in our place.  
2. He experienced the **utter forsakenness** that our sin deserved.  
3. Therefore, believers can be assured that **no suffering or judgment remains for them**, because Christ has already taken it fully.

We at Bentheim Reformed Church would like to extend a special welcome to visitors, and guests. If you have any questions, please visit the Welcome Center or see the Pastor or Elders after the service.

## Leadership:

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### 2026 Consistory

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David Geurink, '27: Mission Fund Treasurer  
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## Today's Worship Team:

Alfonzo Gemmen  
Brea Zoerhof  
Meghan Walters  
Ava Lengkeek  
Jonah Walters  
James McCleery  
Levi Rupp  
Justen Medendorp

Thank you to all the volunteers who help make the worship service and all of the education ministries run smoothly. We thank you for your commitment and your love for the bride of Christ.

If you call Bentheim Reformed Church your home church and you are not included in the church directory or don't have access, please let Jess Hassevoort know ([jessica@bentheim.org](mailto:jessica@bentheim.org) / 616-889-9467). We want to include you. The directory is an excellent way to put names with faces.