

## This Week's Events:

### Wednesday:

- Men's Bible Study: 5:30 a.m.
- Discipling Class: 6:30 p.m.

### Save the Date:

- **August 16:** Backyard Fellowship
- **August 24:** Back to Ministry Night: 5-7 p.m.

### Prayer Requests:

- Emily Boerman will begin chemo treatments on July 29.
- Karmel Berens fell off a semi on July 16 and has several injuries.
- Levi Rupp will be serving on a mission trip in Utah with Allendale Baptist July 23-August 2.
- Continued healing for Marcia Boerman, Mike Boeve, Helen Derks, Amanda Gaulke, Kevin King, John Koops, Arlene Kruithof, Bruce LaMar, Ashlynn Lengkeek, Mitch Lengkeek, Andrea Mulder, Rog Smith, Cari King's brother Carson, Tim & Nancy Kuzma's granddaughter Claire, and Rog Smith's granddaughter Kaitlyn, and his great-grandson Wyatt.
- Our loved ones fighting cancer: Maria Brockman, Ed Mennega, Laurie Mulder, and Larry Scholten
- Our friends at home: Jerome Berens and Shirley Price
- Our missionaries serving the Lord internationally and domestically.
- Pray for the BERG Church in Germany.
- Pray for revival in the United States.
- Pray for our pastoral search committee.
- Pray for our next pastor as God prepares his heart to come and lead our church.

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 Elders after the service.

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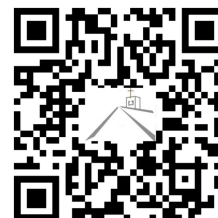
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# Bentheim Reformed Church



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

## Lord's Day Worship

July 26, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

Pastor Ken Kleinheksel

Scripture Meditation: "For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy."  
Exodus 20:11

Prelude

Ringin of the Bell

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 66:1-4

Invocation

Songs of Praise:

*Rejoice*

*Blessed Be Your Name*

Greet One Another in the Name of the Lord

\*Song of Praise:

*Be Still My Soul*

Kids Dismissed to Bible Buddies

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture: Genesis 2:1-3 (page 2)

Message: **The Secret to Rest**

Prayer of Application

The Apostles' Creed

The Lord's Supper

Benevolent Offering

Song of Response:

*Abide*

Benediction

Doxology

\*Congregation may be seated

*We welcome Pastor Ken Kleinheksel  
to the pulpit this morning.*

Children's Ministry check-in/check-out is in the church lobby and at the entrance of the Children's Ministry Center (CMC) downstairs. Please check your children in before the service or when they are dismissed during the service. If this is your child's first time, you are welcome to go with him/her and stay the entire time or return to the service once he/she is comfortable.

## Today's Events:

- Summer Bible Buddies (2-4 year olds): Pick-up after morning service in the CMC.
- Evening Service: 5 p.m. Pastor Brad Langstraat's message will be "It's not What I Get but What I Give."

### 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.

## Leadership:

### 2026 Consistory

#### Elders

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## Today's Worship Team:

Jackie DeVries

Bob Schutter

Heather LePoire

Jonah Walters

James McCleery

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).