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 Best Contact Phone: _____

This is updated contact information.

Welcome

First-time guest
 Second-time guest
 Regular attender
 College student

I heard about Fifth... check all that apply:
 From a friend/family

Online/Social Media
 Walk-In

Ages: _____
 Apt. _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
 Cell Home

Order of Worship

Prelude Randy Wolthuis
 Gathering Song: Come As You Are (David Crowder)
 Declaration of Trust & God's Greeting
 *Gather Us In (Marty Haugen)
 *Build My Life (Bethel Music: Housefires)
 Time of Confession Sam Eldersveld
 Assurance & Sharing Christ's Peace

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Offering (Connection Cards may be put in the baskets)
 Spirit of the Living God (Jacob Sooter, Mia Fieldes)
 Message: "Self-Defeating Gatherings" Jon Sherrill
 Fifteenth in Series: United in Grace
 Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:17-34 Brian Atkinson

Celebration at the Lord's Table
 All who trust Jesus as their Savior are welcome at the Table.
 Children are invited, at their parents' discretion.

Our Response
 *We Will Feast in the House of Zion (Sandra McCracken)

*Benediction & Postlude
 *You are invited to stand, if you are able

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 Guest Wi-Fi Password: welcome2fifth



Fifth
 REFORMED CHURCH
 EST. 1886

February 2, 2025

WELCOME

Every journey begins with the first step, and we are thankful you have chosen the step of coming to Fifth Church. We are a community of faith, centered on the resurrection of Jesus and the new life God offers us in Christ.

We are a multi-generational community, and we celebrate that fact. No matter where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. If you believe in God some of the time, none of the time or all of the time, you are welcome here. If your skin is brown, black, white or any other color, you are welcome here. If you are married or single, rich or poor, happy or sad... you are welcome here.

We invite you to join us in becoming followers of Jesus – learning to live and lead like Jesus. And when you feel ready, take the next step of getting connected.

~ Pastor Jon Sherrill

Getting Connected

When you complete a Connection Card either the physical version attached here, or the digital version through our church app, someone from the church will contact you to welcome you and begin a conversation about any questions you might have.

Download our Church Center App

To get started with the app on your mobile device: Download it from the App Store, or Get It On Google Play. Once installed, open the app and search for "Fifth Reformed Church." If you're using a computer, simply visit: Church Center Online. All of these options are available on the homepage of the church website.

TODAY

We continue our sermon series in 1 Corinthians titled, "United in Grace." In the second half of Ch. 11, the Apostle Paul addresses another situation in which the values of the surrounding culture had infiltrated the congregation and were exerting more influence in the church than Gospel values. A faction of wealthy elites within the church had turned the Lord's Supper into an event paralleling Roman social gatherings. The unspoken messages communicated through this kind of "celebration" placed the other members of the church in a lower status. This is exactly opposite the intent of the Lord's Supper, so their version became a self-defeating gathering, contrary to the purposes of the Gospel.

Early Childhood | Infant - Age 3

Please register at the check-in desk before worship. Children go to Room 101 by 10AM.

Preschool | 3—Pre-K

Please register at the check-in desk before 10AM. Children go to Room 102 by 10AM. Please pick up your children immediately following worship.

Children at the Lord's Table

As we celebrate communion today, the pastors and elders at Fifth welcome children to The Lord's Table at their parents' discretion.

Student Ministries

Middle and high school students are invited to tube at Cannonsburg today from 2-4:30PM. If you haven't signed up but want to go, reach out to Pastor Sam.

College Age Connection

All college age persons are invited for lunch after worship TODAY in Comm. Rm. 3. No need to sign up.

SAVE THE DATE

Profession of Faith Classes | Feb. 2, 9, 16, Mar. 2
Caritas Meal Making | Mar. 6 6-8:30PM; Mar. 7 9-11
Women's Ministry Lent Gathering | Mar. 8 9:30AM
Membership Seminar with Brunch | Mar. 15 | 9:00AM

NEWS & UPDATES

WEDNESDAY Night | Feb. 5

King's Kids Choir Rehearsal 5:15PM-6:00PM
FREE Mid-Week Meal 5:45-6:30PM
K-Quest & GEMS for boys & girls 6:20-7:45PM (1st-6th)

Men's Life Group | Feb. 6 | 6:30PM

A group of men meets at Fifth every week to support and encourage one another to grow in their discipleship. Men of all ages are welcome!

Senior Event | Feb. 11 | 1:30PM

Aaron Kortenhoven will showcase and lead the time demonstrating some of the guitars he made. All are welcome! Coffee and cookies served.

Bell Choir invitation

If you might be interested in checking out handbell choir, please reach out via Connection Card.

Celebration Choir Invitation

If you're interested in singing for some or all of the Lenten and Easter Worship choir opportunities, here are the rehearsal dates: 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/9, 4/16, 6:30PM, (Grade 7-adult). Questions: jlange@fifthrc.org

2025 Calvin Symposium on Worship

All individuals from the Fifth Church family are invited to attend this year. Event dates are Feb. 5-7. Worship services are open to the public, but attending any of the sessions requires registration. Questions? Contact Paul Ryan, Becca Tellinghuisen, or Janna Lange for details on the free registration.



Membership Seminar | Mar. 15 | 9AM-Noon

This event is for you if you'd like to learn more about Fifth or to find out what membership is all about. *Brunch provided!* (Attending the seminar does not commit you to membership.) See the Connection Card.

CONNECTION CARD

Please list your name on the reverse side and place in the offering basket.

- I am interested in **Bell Choir** for Easter Season. (7th-adult)
- I am interested in more info on **Celebration Choir** this coming season.
- I am interested in attending the **Membership Seminar** on March 15.
- I am interested in helping volunteer with **Women's Ministry** on Feb. 7.
- I would like more information about **Friends of Refugees Team**.
- I would like to receive **Fifth's eNews** at this email address:

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Share with Prayer Team Only
- Share with Whole Congregation

Ministry Staff:

Jon Sherrill, Lead Pastor
Brian Telzerow, Pastor of Congregational Life
Janna Lange, Worship Arts Director
Sam Eldersveld, Student Ministries Pastor
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