

GREETERS: North Door

South Door

Feb. 25 Jason & Shari Benthem Den & Bev Kamphouse
March 4 Dan & Brenda Ouwinga Larry & Laurie Witt
March 11 Dale & Donna Veddler Kevin Huttenga
March 18 Sheri Fiet Dave & Margaret Westmaas
March 25 Todd & Jackie Schmid Adam & Laura Swiler

NURSERY:

Feb. 25 Brandy VanPolen, Kaylie Hiller, Megan Benthem
Lizelle Bazuin, Ruth Kulhawick, Ryan Kirkby
March 4 Sue Cook, Christina Dodde, Joey Kulhawick
Nicole Schultz, Sheri Fiet, Katie Medendorp
March 11 Donna Veddler, Kathy Vana, Caitlin Dodde
Maggie Southwick, Karianne Smith, Grace VanHaitsma
March 18 Esther Bode, Jodi DeHate, Leah Thompson
Barb Dore, Tami Eisenga, Mya Eisenga
March 25 Jodi Meyering, Margaret Westmaas, Vanessa Vennema
Diane Nemeth, Anne Thomas, Emma Kirkby

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP – LITTLE LAMBS:

Feb. 25 DaNay Tossey, Tana VanPolen – Nicole Koetje, Kari VanPolen
March 4 Lizelle Bazuin, Emerson Tossey – Anne Thomas, Tucker Tossey
March 11 Kaylie Hiller, Karsyn Meyering – Kasey McQuestion, Leah Thompson
March 18 Lacy Veddler, Miranda Dykhous – Nicole Koetje, Karen Oeverman
March 25 Tiffany Ouwinga, Madelyn Benthem – Amy VanPolen, Megan Benthem

SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:

Feb. 25 Matt Thompson, Paul Rivera, Tami Eisenga
March 4 Cary Sikkema, Roger Hagerman, Tana VanPolen
March 11 Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
March 18 Al Baas, Paul Rivera, Alex Vana
March 25 Cary Sikkema, Al Fox, Julie VanHaitsma

FEBRUARY OFFERINGS: 25th Parsonage

FEBRUARY USHERS: Todd Schmid, Don Ouwinga, Bob Vennema, Dale Taylor

MARCH USHERS: Ken Meyering, Jerry Koop, Jr., Bob Lee, Ken Roede

Note: *If you are unable to make it on your Sunday, please find your own replacement or call the office for assistance.*



HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

February 25, 2018

Vision Statement

**In our endeavor to seek Christ's will and follow His calling,
we desire to strengthen our church through
growth in prayer,
growth in vibrant worship,
growth in committed outreach,
and growth in thriving fellowship.**

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Morning Worship: 9:30 AM
Sunday school: 10:50 AM
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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30 AM

Highland Christian Reformed Church

February 25, 2018

Please welcome Pastor James Martin, this morning.

Prelude “This World is Not My Home”

Lenten Reading

“Jesus Saves”

Welcome and Greeting

“Jesus, All for Jesus”

“He Is Here”

Congregational Prayer

Children’s Message – Jodi Meyering

“By Grace We Have Been Saved”

Scripture: 1 Chronicles 4: 9-10

Sermon: **The Prayer of Jabez**

Offerings: “I Surrender All”

1st - General Fund; 2nd –Parsonage

Blessing

“O for a Thousand Tongues”

Postlude

Children’s Church: *Children are welcome to attend Children in Worship (preschool and kindergarten) and Little Lambs (3-4 yrs. non-preschool) programs. They leave the sanctuary and go down the NORTH stairs to the basement. You may pick them up there after the morning service.*

Fellowship: *Everyone is invited to refreshments and fellowship following the morning service in the Fellowship Hall.*

DVD: *If anyone would like to see a video from a past church service, they are in the rack on the information table. The most current service is at the bottom of the rack.*

2018 Council

Exec. Board * - Pastor-Greg Kett - 825-2171 Church

<u>ELDERS</u>			<u>DEACONS</u>	
Joe Kulhawick	825-8098	District #1, A-C	Matt Thompson-Sec. of Deacons*	620-0119
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Scott VanPolen	825-8323	District #5, P-T	James Bazuin - V Treas*	825-9722
Don Eisenga - V.P.*	825-2828	District #6, V-Z	Aaron Koetje	631-9809

Ministry Team Leaders:

Outreach Team (Jodi DeHate)

Care & Share Team (Bev Taylor)

Prayer Team (Sandy Rice)

Education Team (Laura Hesselink)

Service Team (Julie Dorman)

Worship Team (Hilda Cruz)

Facilities Team (Rick Dorman)

OFFICE HOURS: February 25-March 3

Monday-Friday off

Bonnie Fox 231 878-6424

Pastoral Support

Pastor Greg Kett 231 425-8819

Kathy Vana 231 667-4146

Congregational Prayers:

We seek to bless Pearl Koetje, Brenda Ouwinga, Dave Westmaas, Gordon DeHaan, Carol Niver, Vicki Mosher, Chris Sikkema and Marilyn Ouwinga as they deal with ongoing health issues.

Please pray for the inmate Josh Shaarda told us about, who was scheduled for court three times, but the trial was postponed again and again, until last Monday. He told Josh now he knows the truth will set him free, that we must believe and walk in the truth.

Also, Josh asks for our prayers for the kids' student visas to be finalized in two months, for their reunion with friends in Obule, and for the registration process of Freedom in Christ in Uganda to go smoothly, so they can begin distributing discipleship materials throughout the country.

“Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.” 1 Corinthians 15: 58

OUR CHURCH WEEK: February 25- March 3

SUNDAY	9:15 AM	Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	10:45 PM	Sunday school
	5:00 PM	Bible study and Fellowship – Lesson 3
	1:30 PM	Strong Tower returns from retreat
MONDAY	6:15 PM	Women’s Yoga
	7:30 PM	Men’s Yoga
TUESDAY	9:30 AM	Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM	Prayer Fellowship
THURSDAY	7:15 PM	Bible study - Improving Your Prayer Life
	7:15 PM	JUMP Practice

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next week, we will be celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion. This follows Jesus’ example at the Last Supper where he transforms the Passover celebration into a celebration of Jesus’ own sacrifice. Jesus’ body and His blood cover over a multitude of our sins. Let’s celebrate and remember the joy of Christ’s forgiveness and our redemption.

No one will be in the office the beginning of the week. If you need assistance, please leave a message on the answering machine for Pastor Greg or call your Elder. Pastor Greg will be back in the office on Thursday.

Marlin Venema would like to thank everyone for their prayers, visits, cards, and good wishes before and after his recent surgery. Everything was greatly appreciated.

MaryLou Karsten appreciates all the cards, calls and prayers she has received after her cataract surgeries. She is recovering well.

Highland CRC's contemporary worship band, JUMP, will be leading a worship service next Sunday evening March 4th at 5:00 pm. The congregation at Highland voted for their top ten contemporary favorites, so these should be familiar tunes to most people. All members of the community, of all ages, are welcome to join us for a night of worship! There will also be a potluck supper, with tacos and nachos provided, and a time of fellowship immediately following. Please join us.

The Real Women Ministry is hosting a painting party for guys/girls age 13 and up tomorrow night from 6:00-8:00 pm in the Thrive Room at Resurrection Life Church in Cadillac. Hang out with friends and paint a cute picture of fluffy sheep. The cost is \$35 and includes all materials. To sign up go to www.getreslife.org/paint.

Kindergarten Round-Up and Preschool Open House are just around the corner. Will your child be ready for kindergarten or a pre-kindergarten class next year? NMCS provides quality education centered in God's word and infused with Christ's love. Come visit NMCS on Thursday, March 15th between 8:30 am and 5:30 pm to meet teachers and staff, visit classrooms and find out more about the Early Childhood Education Program. Optional kindergarten readiness testing is available by appointment. Please call (231) 285-2492 or visit www.nmcs.us to learn more about all of our educational opportunities.

Vogel Center CRC will be hosting a Spring Day of Prayer service on Wednesday, March 14th at 7:00 pm, giving Christians from around the area a chance to come together to worship God and pray for our community at the start of the agricultural season. Please join us. Nursery will be provided.

NMCS is blessed to be surrounded by a caring body of believers. A goal of \$175,000 was set to provide scholarships for families who desire a Christian education for their children. \$103,500 has been raised. Please consider helping us reach our goal by calling (231) 825-2492, going to www.nmcs.us or contacting Jenny Closson at www.jclosson@nmcs.us. Thank you.

It's time for Northern Michigan 3 on 3 basketball tournament. All players (4th grade through adults) are welcome. The tournament is April 7, 2018 at Northern Michigan Christian School in McBain and is sponsored by the Vogel Center Christian Education Club. Entry forms are available at NMCS or local area schools athletic departments. Questions should be sent to sjenema@gmail.com or by leaving a message at (231) 825-9819. Entry deadline is March 10, 2018.

Prosper CRC will be hosting the 2018 Simulcast Secret Church on Friday, April 20th from 7:00 pm-12:30 am, taught by David Platt. Secret Church is our version of "house church" where we meet periodically for an intense time of Bible study – lasting 6+ hours. This is a great opportunity to worship with other believers from around the world, some of whom have to meet in secret! This year's topic is Cults and Counterfeit Gospels. We will consider the claims of Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormons, and other groups that claim to teach the truth. We will also explore more subtle distortions of the gospel, including prosperity teaching that is rampant across the church. In the end, our goal is to walk away from this Secret Church not only enabled to discern false gospels, but also equipped to share the true gospel with people around us and with peoples around the world. The cost is \$10.00. Contact Alex Dodde at (231) 349-2806 or www.adodde@gmail.com with questions and to sign up.

The Vogel Center CRC Booster Club would like to invite you to join them once again for the annual Tie That Binds Quilt Show on Friday and Saturday, May 11th and 12th in the gym at NMCS in McBain. If you would like to enter a quilt, feel free to pick up a registration form on the information table in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, call Amy Rice at (231) 667-4559.