

GREETERS: North Door

Aug 11 Al & Anne Thomas
Aug 18 Virginia Dodde
Aug 25 Alan & Dana Baas
Sept 1 Butch & Mary Karsten

South Door

Pearl Koetje
Greg & Laura Hesselink
Matt & Carrie Thompson
Steve & Sue Meeuwenberg

NURSERY:

Aug 11 Becky Bode, Lizelle Bazuin, Aubrynn Bazuin
Julie Dorman, Bev Kamphouse, Amy Eisenga

Aug 18 Kasey McQuestion, Shari Benthem, Sherry Jackson
Anne Thomas, Becky Wemple, Caleb Vana

Aug 25 Ruth Kulhawick, Karen Oeverman, Addene Oeverman,
Diane Eisenga, Kaylie Hiller, Emerson Tossey

Sept 1 Melissa Oeverman, Brandy VanPolen, Franklin Baas
Joey Kulhawick, Sue Cook, Christina Dodde

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP – LITTLE LAMBS:

Aug 11 Teacher: Linda Wing, Helpers: Amanda Lee, Emma Oeverman

Aug 18 Teacher: Maggie Southwick; Helpers: Kassie Sikkema

Aug 25 Teacher: Kasey McQuestion, Helpers: April Villwock, Emerson Tossey

SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:

Aug 11 Al Baas, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate

Aug 18 Matt Thompson, Al Fox, Tami Eisenga

Aug 25 Cary Sikkema, Roger Hagerman, Tami Eisenga

Sept 1 Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate

AUGUST OFFERINGS: Aug. 4 - Booster Club, Aug 11 –New Building Fund,
Aug. 18 - Benevolence, Aug. 25 –George & Sarah DeVuyst

AUGUST USHERS: Gary Hesselink, Kerwin Huttenga, Mike VanPolen, Jun Brinks

SEPTEMBER USHERS: Kevin Eisenga, Rick VanPolen, Kasey Rees, Aaron Pluger

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

August 11, 2019

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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Email: office@highlandcrc.org

Morning Worship: 9:30 AM
Sunday school: 10:50 AM
Website: www.highlandcrc.org

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30 AM
Highland Christian Reformed Church
 August 11, 2019

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

“God is Here”
 “Oh How Good It Is”

The Commandments

Congregational Prayer
 Children’s Message

“God be Merciful to Me”

Scripture: *Genesis 4:1-16*
 Sermon: *The Family Cottage*

Offering: “Grace Alone”
 1st - General Fund; 2nd – Booster Club

Blessing & “Laying-on-of-hands”

“God the Father of Your People”

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 in the Fellowship Hall following the morning service.

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.

Council Corner

2019 Council				
Exec. Board: *		Rev. Dr. Gregory J. Kett, Pres.*		825-2171 Church
ELDERS		DEACONS		
Joe Kulhawick V.P.*	884-0555	District #1, A-C	Matt Thompson –Sec. of Deac.*	620-0119
Lars Fredin	429-7023	District #2, D-E	Kyle Meyering	846-6075
Al Thomas –Clerk*	878-6468	District #3, F-L	Rick VanPolen	620-4378
Bryce Eisenga	920-7187	District #4, M-O	Adam Southwick V.T.*	920-1757
Larry Witt	884-6492	District #5, P-T	Larry Sikkema	920-5248
Chad Dodde	878-3164	District #6, V-Z	Ryan McQuestion	590-8012

July 2nd Offering			
7th	3,148.00	Highland Booster Club	577.00
14th	5,909.00	New Building Fund	5,953.00
21st	4,467.00	Church Building Fund	510.00
28th	5,331.00	Friends Ministry	555.00
Budget needed weekly	6,200.56	CRC Loan Fund - Beginning Balance	322,617.21
Times 30 weeks	186,016.80	Principal Paid to Date	<u>33,627.31</u>
Received to date	<u>164,048.05</u>	Ending Balance CRC Loan Fund	288,989.90
Balance	(21,968.75)		
		Interest paid to date	8,676.69

**Highland is seeking members who are interested in long-term planning for our church. Possible topics could include the vision and mission of Highland, future capital projects, and paying off our loan. This committee will meet twice per year. If this interests you, please contact Joe Kulhawick.

<p align="center">Pastoral Support: Pastor Greg Kett (231) 425-8819 Normal office hours: Mon – Thurs, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM or by appointment as needed. Call anytime</p>	<p align="center">Ministry Team Leaders: Connection Coordinator (Amie Kett) Care & Share Team (Cindy Vennema) Prayer Team (Sandy Rice) Education Team (Mary Rees) Service Team (Julie Dorman) Worship Team (Hilda Cruz) Facilities Team (Rick Dorman)</p>
<p align="center">Church Office: Sara Bruno (231) 825-2171 The church office will be open Mon – Thurs, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Please have bulletin announcements to church by Thurs. 12 pm</p>	

Women's Retreat: Join us for this year's Women's Retreat through Grace Adventures September 27-29. Pamper yourself both physically and spiritually at this special weekend and leave refreshed. Worship, time in God's Word, great food, and awesome activities are all included in the weekend. You can register Online at www.graceadventures.org/womens-retreat. For additional information, please check out our sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall or contact Amie Kett at (269)998-4551 or amiekett@gmail.com

Family Faith Formation Tip: Fred Rogers said, "When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.'" When an ambulance or fire truck passes, cultivate compassion with your kids by praying together for the people who may be hurt or sick or in trouble and for the people who are rushing to help them. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/faithformation)

You are invited to Prosper CRC's 125th Anniversary Celebration:

***Friday Night Outdoor Movie is THIS Friday (Aug 16) at Dusk.** We'll be showing *Prince of Egypt*. Bring a lawn chair and blankets! In case of rain, movie will be shown inside.

***Canoe/Kayak Trip on the Clam—Saturday, August 24,** beginning at the Dam at 2:00 pm.

***Friday, Aug 30—Outdoor Movie -at Dusk.** We'll be showing *Break Through*. Bring a lawn chair and blankets! In case of rain, movie will be shown inside.

***Car/Truck/Bike Show— rescheduled for SATURDAY, AUGUST 31,** at the Falmouth Community Center from 4:00-8:00 pm. We're hoping to have a lot of cars, *so come on out and check them all out*. The show will follow up with a ride through Falmouth. There will also be a 50/50 raffle and food will be available to purchase.

***Saturday, September 7, Celebration Day!!**

2:00-5:00 pm. Inflatables and Games

5:00 - 7:00 pm Food served by Dawn Fresh Catering and Primos

4:45-7:30 pm Many groups will perform for us.

7:30 pm -The Headliner is **JOE GUERRA!!** Joe is the winner of Big Ticket Festival talent search and has shared the stage with well-known names such as JJ Weeks, Switchfoot and Matt Maher! His song, "Shoreline" is currently in rotation on the radio stations throughout the Midwest and the Smile FM.

OUR CHURCH WEEK: August 11 – August 17

SUNDAY	9:15 AM	Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	12:00 PM	Venema's 50th Anniversary Open House
WEDNESDAY	2:00-7:00 PM	Blood Drive
	7:00 PM	Prayer Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Communion, August 25: We have the privilege of Communion in two weeks. Please take time in the next couple weeks to search your heart as we prepare to come before God.

August 11: Blessing of Those Sent Out: We invite anyone (kids/adults) headed to college, the military, the workforce, or the mission field to the front of church for the laying-on-of-hands and prayer. We want to lift them up in prayer as they embark on this new chapter in their lives.

50th Wedding Anniversary: Marlin and Jean Venema will celebrate 50 years of marriage with an Open House on Sunday, August 11 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The celebration is hosted by their children. Highland is cordially invited to share in the celebration!

Thank You: We'd like to thank our Highland family for your prayers and support over the past few months. We appreciate the cards, visits and acts of kindness. We have felt the power of your prayers. We still need prayers for strength as we put into practice the new skills we learned at the Mayo Clinic. ~Dick & Mary Bruno

Highland CRC Centennial Cookbooks: Whether it's looking for a new recipe, early Christmas shopping, or finding a perfect house-warming gift for that young loved one learning to cook, these cookbooks contain the tried and true recipes we look forward to at each potluck and family dinner. Check out the display in the fellowship hall and get your copy of the Highland Centennial Cookbook. Prices have been reduced to \$5 per copy and proceeds go to the Highland CRC General Fund.

Barney & Nancy Miesse Concert and sing-along Sunday, August 25 6:00 PM. We hope to be outdoors weather permitting with a hotdog roast following the concert.

Prayer Corner

“Life Is Fragile, Handle With Prayer”

Dear Heavenly Father, please be with Gordon DeHaan, Steve Sluiter, Dick Bruno, Marilyn Ouwinga, Dawn Richardson, Mike Dodde and Jerry Eisenga. Bless each of them. Surround them with your love and comfort. Fill them with the Holy Spirit, that they may be a testimony to your greatness.

Prayer request: While on vacation, Pastor Greg connected with a recent graduate from Calvin Seminary, Luke Carag. The Carags are from Ireland. Luke's 10 month old son Cohen was diagnosed with Kawasaki disease: an inflammation of the arteries and vessels in his young body. Please pray Cohen's fever subsides and any swelling near his heart lessens. Thank you!

Update:

Mike Dodde is now at Samaritas in Cadillac. If you'd like to visit or send him a card, his address is 460 Pearl St, Rm 115; Cadillac, MI 49601

For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom His whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. Ephesians 3:14-17a

Little Lambs & Children in Worship: We're hoping to start the 2019-2020 Children's Church curriculum at the beginning of September. We need many teachers and helpers. (Moms, dads, grandpas, grandmas, aunts, uncles...we can use everyone!) Middle school and high school students are old enough to be helpers too. Please check the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall or contact Anne Thomas at 878-2131. Thank you!

September 8: ORV Ride and Church-wide Potluck Picnic: The annual ORV ride has a new date and day of the week! Save Sunday, September 8, at 4 p.m. for the ride departing from the church parking lot. After the ride the entire church is invited to meet at church for a potluck meal at 6 p.m. Watch the bulletin for more details.

Xtreme (Middle School Youth Group): We'd like to say Thank you to Gary & Kathy Vana, Shari Benthem and Diane VanPolen for their hard work and dedication to our Xtreme group. They have asked to step down as leaders at this time but we are happy to welcome Kyle and Abby Meyering as new Xtreme leaders. We still have 2 more leadership positions yet to be filled and we ask that you prayerfully consider joining their team as they lead our middle school youth.

Youth Ministries: Once again we are ramping up for the 2019-2020 school year and with that comes opportunities to serve our church and community through ministries like Gems and Centershot. Brian & Diane Eisenga are stepping down as directors of the Centershot program this year so we are looking for a new team to lead this group of young men. We are beyond grateful for the years they have committed to this program. Lizelle Bazuin is looking for a co-leader this year to help guide our GEMS girls. Please prayerfully consider becoming a part of our youth ministries this year!

Youth Building: The Youth Leaders at Highland have been busy cleaning up the youth building. The drywall has been patched and painting will be take place August 16-17. If you would be willing to help with painting, please let one of our youth leaders know. Thanks so much for your continued support of our youth at Highland. ~Justin Sluiter, Shari Benthem, Abby Meyering, Jon & Deborah Ouwinga, Taylor Koch, Diane VanPolen, Gary & Kathy Vana

God Equips Whomever He Calls - Thinking about a mission trip in 2020? You are invited to attend a Project Canefire introduction/orientation meeting at 7PM on August 27, 2019 at Friends Ministry, 3728 S. Morey Lake City 49651. By God's grace Project Canefire will again be installing water wells, building houses/schools/churches, teaching sewing, supporting micro enterprise, sharing Bibles and providing education in the **Dominican Republic January 21-February 4, 2020**. Call Mark Mogan 231-429-2974, Dave VanHouten 231-878-2314 or Paul Benthem 231-667-7200 for more details. Project Canefire is also collecting school supplies from preschool to 8th grade to take with us this trip; coloring books, spiral notebooks, crayons, pens, markers, pencils, construction paper, glue sticks and backpacks. Give your school supplies to a PCF Board member or drop them off at Paul Benthem's house, 8908 W Stoney Corners Road, McBain MI. 49657.

“Summer Step Up” Blood Drive: Versiti Blood Centers of Michigan will be here Wednesday, August 14 from 2:00 PM – 7:00 PM. We as a community have a chance to help our youth group raise money. For each registered donor that attempts to donate, Versiti is donating \$10 to our youth groups.