

**GREETERS:** North Door

**Aug 4** Barb Dore  
**Aug 11** Al & Anne Thomas  
**Aug 18** Virginia Dodde  
**Aug 25** Alan & Dana Baas

South Door

Bryan & Diane Eisenga  
Pearl Koetje  
Greg & Laura Hesselink  
Matt & Carrie Thompson

**NURSERY:**

**Aug 4** Jodi DeHate, Tami Eisenga, Mary Rees  
DaNay Tossey, Madelyn Benthem, Cindy Vennema

**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

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP – LITTLE LAMBS:**

**Aug 4** Teacher: Anne Thomas, Helpers: Sara Bruno, Kassie Sikkema

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

**SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:**

**Aug 4** Kyle Meyering, Paul Rivera, Deb Eisenga

**Aug 11** Al Baas, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate

**Aug 18** Matt Thompson, Al Fox, Tami Eisenga

**Aug 25** Cary Sikkema, Roger Hagerman, Tami Eisenga

**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 4, 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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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 4, 2019

*\*\*Please welcome **Rev. Rod Kamrath** as he leads us in our worship this morning\*\**

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

*"Ancient Words"*

*"Jesus Draw Me Ever Nearer"*

*"I Surrender All"*

Congregational Prayer

Children's Message

Scripture: Genesis 39: 1-20a

Sermon: *Why Do the Righteous Suffer?*

Offering: Song: *"Even If"*

1<sup>st</sup> - General Fund; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Booster Club

Blessing

*"My Friends May You Grow in Grace"*

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.

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	645-6075
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

**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)

**Pastoral Support**

Pastor Greg Kett (231) 425-8819

Note\*\* Please contact your district elder for any Pastoral Care needs July 22-August 7.

**Church Office:**

Sara Bruno (231) 825-2171

The church office will be open Mon – Thurs, 9 am – 2 pm  
 Please have bulletin announcements to church by Thurs. 12 pm

### UPCOMING- EVENTS:

**Family Softball Game-** Bring the family and join us TODAY, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at Lucas ballfields for a fun afternoon of softball! Bring your glove if you wish to play or lawn chair to be a cheering spectator! After our exiting ballgame we will grill hotdogs. We ask that you bring a munchie/snack to go with them along with your own drink. We will provide water along with some extra gloves and bats. Questions? Contact Den and Bev Kamphouse or Bob and Cindy Vennema. Hope to see you there!

**50<sup>th</sup> 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!

**“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.

**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.

**McBain Area Backpack Program Inc.:** On September 12, from 5-8 pm, we will be serving at Culver’s in Cadillac and we would love your support. On September 14 there will be a community food drive for kids from 9 am-3 pm. Volunteers will be at several locations in the area. You can follow us on Facebook or contact Judy Meekhof at 231-878-5875, [jmeekhof52@gmail.com](mailto:jmeekhof52@gmail.com).

**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](http://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](mailto:amiekett@gmail.com).

### OUR CHURCH WEEK: August 4 – August 10

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9:15 AM</b> <b>9:30 AM</b>	Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room Morning Worship Service
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> <b>7:30 PM</b>	Prayer Group Deacons Meeting Council Meeting
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>8:00 AM-2:00 PM</b> <b>4:00 PM-9:00 pm</b>	Reach, Serve, Love: Service Projects Reach, Serve, Love: Potluck/Bonfire/Concert

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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.

**Youth Building:** The Youth Leaders at Highland have been busy cleaning up the youth building and are looking at an upcoming painting project for freshen things up. Thank you to Mary Dracht for patching all the nail-holes in the drywall. We are now looking at painting on August 16-17. If you would be willing to help with painting, would you please let one of our youth leaders know. Thanks so much for your continued support of our youth at Highland. We have always felt a large outpouring of love from Highland!!! ~ Justin Sluiter, Shari Benthem, Abby Meyering, Jon & Deborah Ouwinga, Taylor Koch, Diane VanPolen, Gary & Kathy Vana

**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.

## Prayer Corner

*“Life Is Fragile, Handle With Prayer”*

*Dear Heavenly Father, please be with Gordon DeHaan, Steve Sluiter, Dick Bruno, Marilyn Ouwinga, Dawn Richardson 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.*

*And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. Ephesians 6:18*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS CONT.

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE...** to turn in your baby bottles (filled or empty) for Life Resources of Northern Michigan. Please return bottles to the box near the information table in the fellowship hall.

**Little Lambs/Children in Worship:** The hope is to continue with LL/CIW through the summer. If you are willing to help, please let Anne Thomas know and she will get you on the schedule.

**Love INC** has a client in desperate need of a refrigerator. If you know of anyone giving one away, please contact Sara Bruno in the church office for details on how to donate. Thank you.

**Mailbox Update:** If you would like a church mailbox, please notify Sara in the church office by August 7.

**Hammers:** Thank you lending us your hammers for the VBS craft projects! You may pick up your hammers in the church office.

**REACH, SERVE, LOVE:** Our annual Reach, Serve, Love community event will be August 9-11! This is a church wide service/outreach weekend where we tackle a few projects in our community and gather together as a church and a community. Mark the date in your calendar and please talk to Justin Sluiter or Amie Kett if you are interested in participating/helping/serving!



### Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Community Service Projects –We need volunteers to help with three projects this year: We will be building a wheelchair ramp, staining a deck and doing yardwork/landscaping. Many hands make light work!
4:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Games & Inflatables, Volleyball Tournament Free Kids Haircuts, & More!
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Community Potluck
7:00 PM	Team Trivia Challenge, Bonfires, & S'mores
8:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Free Concert

### Donations Needed:

Balloons	Firewood
Electric Balloon Pumps	Roasting Sticks
Fishing Line or String	Yard Games
Graham Crackers	Soft Serve Ice Cream
Oreos	Ice Cream Cones
Marshmallows	Wesco Giant Bag of Popcorn
Reese's Peanut Butter Cups	Small Paper Bags
Hershey Chocolate Bars	Log Benches

\*\*Please sign up in the Fellowship hall on the blue poster board or contact Amie at (269)998-4551 or [amiekett@gmail.com](mailto:amiekett@gmail.com)

**Clothing donations needed for REACH, SERVE, LOVE:** We are looking for donations of gently used clothing (sizes infant to teen) as part of a clothing drive for Reach, Serve, Love. If you have items to donate, please place them in the box in the fellowship hall or contact Anne Thomas (878-2131).