<b>GREETERS</b> :	North Door	South Door
Sept 1	Butch & Mary Karsten	Steve & Sue Meeuwenberg
Sept 8	Bonnie Veddler	Kasey & Mary Rees
Sept 15	Mary Dracht	CJ & Sara Bruno
Sept 22	Dale & Bev Taylor	Curt & Becky Wemple

#### **NURSERY:**

Sept 1	Melissa Oeverman, Brandy VanPolen, Franklin Baas Joey Kulhawick, Sue Cook, Christina Dodde
Sept 8	Courtney Vanderhoef, Caitlin Dodde, Nicole Schultz Linda Ellens, Sheri Fiet, Maggie Southwick
Sept 15	Karianne Smith, Donna Veddler, Esther Bode Tami Eisenga, Barb Dore, Leah Thompson
Sept 22	Jodi DeHate, Jodi Meyering, Karsyn Meyering Diane Nemeth, Madelyn Benthem, Cindy Vennema

# CHILDREN IN WORSHIP – LITTLE LAMBS:

September - BREAK

## SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:

- Sept 1 Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Deb Eisenga
- Sept 8 Al Baas, Paul Rivera, Jodi DeHate
- Sept 15 Matt Thompson, Al Fox, Tami Eisenga
- Sept 22 Cary Sikkema, Roger Hagerman, Tana VanPolen
- SEPTEMBER OFFERINGS: Sept 1 Booster Club; Sept 8 New Building; Sept 15 - Existing Building; Sept 22 – MOPS; Sept 29 - Marion Coat Drive

**SEPTEMBER USHERS:** Kevin Eisenga, Rick VanPolen, Kasey Rees, Aaron Pluger **OCTOBER USHERS:** Jason Benthem, Jonathan Ouwinga, Joey Kulhawick, Marlin Venema

**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

September 1, 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.

9034 23 Mile Rd. • Marion, MI 49665 (231) 825-2171 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 September 1, 2019

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

"You Are My All In All" "The Bond of Love" "The Servant Song"

Congregational Prayer Children's Message

"Thy Word"

Scripture: Colossians 1:1-14 Sermon: *A Smart, Worthy Life* 

## Offering:

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

Blessing "Bind Us Together"

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	

\*\*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.

**Visitation:** One of the joys of being part of a church, is that we get to fellowship with one another. If you would like a visit from the elder or deacon of your district, or Pastor Greg, please let them know. We would love to connect with you at your home, over a cup of coffee, or wherever is convenient for you.

Pastoral Support: Pastor Greg Kett (231) 425-8819 Office hours: 9/1-9/7 Monday: Office closed (Labor Day) Tues – Thurs: 8:15 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM or by appointment as needed. Call anytime

> Church Office: Sara Bruno (231) 825-2171 Office hours 9/1-9/7 Mon: Office closed (Labor Day) Tues-Thurs: 9 am – 2 pm

\*\*Please have bulletin announcements to church by Thurs. 12 pm

## 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) **Kids Hope Update:** Kasey McQuestion and Carrie Thompson have been brainstorming some creative ways to reach out to the Marion Schools. More Kids Hope information to come, but in the meantime, the following needs have been identified by school staff;

\*There is a student in high school in need of size 15 Wide gym shoes. If you have either some to donate, or would like to donate some funds towards this cause, please let Carrie know.

\*Throughout the year, there comes a need for gift cards to either the Friends Store downtown Marion or Valuland to supplement a student's household. These gift cards would be distributed as needed by school administration to children/families in need. If you would be willing to donate a \$20 or \$30 gift card to either of these places, please let either Carrie or Kasey know.

\*We are hosting another food drive for the Grub to Go food backpack program at Marion Elementary, this time for cans of Chicken Noodle Soup. There will be a tote placed in the Fellowship Hall for the next 4 weeks. The Grub to Go program estimates that it costs approximately \$250 to send food home with a child for the school year. The food is distributed on Fridays and is meant to supplement the family meals on the weekends. The bags include two breakfast foods, a couple fresh fruits (apples and/or bananas), two dinner foods (soups, boxed meals, tuna, etc.), and a couple snacks (granola bars, crackers, etc.). If you would like to sponsor a child for the year for \$250, please let Carrie know. Thanks so much for all the support you've given these programs!

# Saturday, September 7 - You are invited to Prosper CRC's 125th Anniversary Celebration:

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: SEPTEMBER 1-7**

SUNDAY	9:15 AM 9:30 AM	Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room Morning Worship Service
TUESDAY	9:00 AM	Ladies Bible Study – Fellowship Hall
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Prayer Group Young Adults Praise Team

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Grocery Shower:** Emmalie Ouwinga and David Weurding will be married Friday, September 6, 2019. Let us shower them with groceries and help them fill their pantry. A laundry basket can be found by the north doors to the sanctuary.

**Ushers Needed:** If you would like to be added to our usher rotation please contact Sara in the office. Thank you!

**New Members Class:** If you would like more information on making profession of faith and/or becoming a member of Highland CRC, we will be meeting in Pastor Greg's office on September 29, October 6 and October 13 right after church.

**Nominations for Elder & Deacon:** The council is asking for input from the congregation on nominations for Elder and Deacon. Nominations can be turned into the office, our Clerk Al Thomas, or with your district Elder or Deacon.

**September 3: Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study-** The focus this year is the Heidelberg Catechism. Please read all scriptures with Lord's Day 20. Please also have your life's Christian walk ready to share. This just needs to be a summary of your personal growth in Christ.

**September 8: ORV Ride and Church-wide Potluck Picnic:** Join us at the church north parking lot on Sunday, September 8, at 4 p.m. for the Highland Annual ORV ride. Please let Cindy Vennema or Bev Taylor know if you have extra seats in your ORV that you would like to fill for the ride. If you are not riding, join us at 6 p.m. at church for a potluck meal. Barbeque and buns will be provided as well as table service and beverages.

# Prayer Corner

Dear Heavenly Father, please be with 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.

Angus Kittle would appreciate your prayers for patience and healing as he is recovering from a fall at his home this past Sunday. He is currently in a rehab facility down state.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

**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. Prices have been reduced to \$5.00 per copy and proceeds go to the Highland CRC General Fund.

**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

**Dock Removal -NMCS Boys Basketball fundraiser:** September 7, 2019 (Sept. 14 if needed) Stay dry while the kids do the work! This fundraiser is to raise money through donations, for team gear and team camps. Contact Shawn Pattee at 231-250-2696 for info and scheduling

**Safe Church Meeting for all volunteers working with youth:** There will be a meeting after church on Sunday, September 15 for anyone who is a volunteer with youth at Highland (nursery, Sunday school, gems, etc.). This is to talk about the upcoming educational year and to update everyone on the safe church policy. Please plan on attending.

Little Lambs & Children in Worship will be on break in September as we are still short on 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!

**Centershot:** This year, Brian & Diane Eisenga have stepped down as directors of the Centershot program. We are beyond grateful for the years they have committed to this program. If you are interested in filling this position please contact Mary Rees or call the church office at 231-825-2171.

**GEMS:** We need four volunteers to help lead lessons. Please contact Lizelle Bazuin or Maggie Southwick.

**2019-2020 Sunday School & Catechism:** We will be kicking our year off on September 22<sup>nd</sup>! Sunday School is for Preschool- 5th grade students and Catechism is for Middle School and High School students. These programs are after our Sunday Service from 10:50 - 11:45. There will be a sign-up sheet on the table in the fellowship hall for Sunday School Helpers and a Middle School Catechism teacher. Please prayerfully consider volunteering this year. It is a lot of fun! If you have any questions about these programs please let us know. ~Alan & Dana Baas (Sunday School & Middle School Catechism), Justin Sluiter (High School Catechism)

**Adult Sunday School- "Sermon Deep Dive":** will begin Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> after church in the east wing of the fellowship during the Sunday School hour. We look forward to taking a deeper look at that morning's sermon through group discussion. If you would be willing to help facilitate a group discussion, please contact Pastor Greg.