<b>GREETERS</b> : <u>North Door</u>		<u>South Door</u>	
Sept. 24	Bob & Lori Hesselink	Don & Phyllis Eisenga	
Oct. 1	Joe & Ruth Kulhawick	Kyle & Abby Meyering	
Oct. 8	Paul Ouwinga	Ryan & Kasey McQuestion	
Oct. 15	Don & Linda Ellens	Ken & Anna VanPolen	
Oct. 22	Kevin & Jodi DeHate	Scott & Karen Oeverman	

#### **NURSERY:**

- Sept. 24Carrie Thompson, Margaret Westmaas, Henry BaasDiane Nemeth, Anne Thomas, Jonathon Dracht
- Oct. 1 Bev Kamphouse, Megan Benthem Kristen Sikkema, Sandy Curtis, Madelyn Benthem
- Oct. 8 Kelly Seitter, Cindy Vennema, Vanessa Vennema Patti Koop, Julie Dorman, Emma Kirkby
- Oct. 15 Amy Eisenga, Kasey McQuestion, Addean Oeverman Shari Benthem, Karen Oeverman, Karly Crowe
- Oct. 22 Becky Wemple, Lindsay Beerens, Isaac Baas Sherry Jackson, Diane Eisenga, Emma Oeverman

### SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:

- Sept. 24 Cary Sikkema, Dan Ouwinga, Tana VanPolen
- Oct. 1 Matt Thompson, Roger Hagerman, Tami Eisenga
- Oct. 8 Cary Sikkema, Al Fox, Jodi DeHate
- Oct. 15 Matt Thompson, Roger Hagerman, Julie VanHaitsma
- Oct. 22 Cary Sikkema, Dan Ouwinga, Alex Vana

## SEPTEMBER OFFERINGS: 24th World Renew

SEPTEMBER USHERS: Dale Bode, Al Thomas, Lars Fredin, Kyle Veltema

OCTOBER USHERS: Justin Sluiter, Mike Southwick, Adam Swiler, Denny Kamphouse

**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 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 Road, Marion, MI 49665 (231) 825-2171 (231) 825-2192 – Fax www.highlandcrc.org Morning Worship 9:30 AM Sunday school: 10:50 AM office@highlandcrc.org

# MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30 AM Highland Christian Reformed Church September 24, 2017

Prelude: "God You Reign" Invitation to Worship

"Days of Elijah" "Hosanna"

Welcome and Greeting "Word of God Speak"

**Congregational Prayer** 

Children's Message "Jesus Draw Me Ever Nearer"

Scripture: Daniel 6:1-23 Sermon: *The Strength of Willpower* 

Offerings: 1st - General Fund; 2<sup>nd</sup> – World Renew *Special number* - "Only One Step"

Blessing "We Receive Your Blessing"

Postlude

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

#### <u>2017 Council</u>

Exec. Board - *		Pastor – Gregory Kett		825-2171 Church
ELDERS			DEACONS	
Bob Lee - Pres.*	743-6794	District #1, A-C	Denny Curtis	499-2431
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Don Eisenga	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: September 24-30**

Tuesday-Friday 8:30-2:30 pm Monday-off Bonnie Fox **Pastoral Support:** Pastor Greg Kett 231 425-8819 Kathy Vana 231 667-4146

# Congregational Prayers:

We seek to bless Brenda Ouwinga, Anna Van Polen, Carol Niver, Dave Westmaas and Vicki Mosher. They are in the Lord's hands, as we all are, and are grateful for the prayers that are prayed on their behalf.

Brenda has completed her chemotherapy as of last week and will continue to go for frequent checkups with the doctors. She would like to thank everyone for their prayers.

#### Our Missionaries: (sent Sept. 16)

Dear Praying Friends, Today I depart for a week in eastern Ukraine to help lead a "Healing the Wounds of Ethnic Conflict" workshop. We need your prayers!

- In May we had a training for facilitators and six of those participants will be working together with me - a first for them and for me. Pray for unity and for God to bless the working of this team.
- Pray for safety as people travel from different parts of Ukraine and from both sides of the front lines of the conflict to participate in this workshop.
- Pray that the church where we will be located that it will welcome everyone warmly and be a safe place for everyone to bring their wounds and pain to the cross of Christ for healing and reconciliation.
- Pray also for Sarah, Abigail, Matthew and Elizabeth as they remain in Kyiv with school and home duties.
- We believe that God is doing something special in Ukraine through this ministry. We also see how the evil one is working hard to keep this ministry from progressing. Pray that the plans of the evil one will be thwarted and that God's Kingdom would grow. In Him, George Rev. George & Sarah de Vuyst, serving in Ukraine with Resonate Global Mission

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"Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom." Psalm 145:3

#### OUR CHURCH WEEK: September 24-30

SUNDAY	9:15 AM 9:30 AM	Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Roon Morning Worship Service	
	7:30 PM 6:00-7:30 PM	Strong Tower Bible Study and Fellowship	
		<i>,</i>	
TUESDAY	9:30 AM	Bible Study	
WEDNESDAY 7:00-7:30 PM		Prayer Fellowship	

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Wednesday night prayer time from 7:00-7:30 pm. Meet in the prayer room. This week's prayer focus is the middle of the sanctuary and all those who sit there.

A Profession of Faith class will be held today after the morning service and on October 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are interested in attending, please meet in the Youth Building.

Sunday evening Bible Study will meet at 6:00 pm studying lesson 1 – Andrew.

**GEMS is still in need of** a couple of leaders to begin their program next month. Won't you consider becoming one of them? Contact Carrie Thompson if you can help, 231 250-7517.

**Congregational meeting** will be held on November 13<sup>th</sup> for the selection of new elders and deacons.

We are still in need of teachers, Christmas committee members, helpers, large group volunteers and substitutes in order to begin Sunday school. Please examine your heart and consider signing up. There is a little prep, but BIG dividends!!

**Marion School Coat Drive:** There are boxes at the entrances for any donations of gently used or new winter coats, snow pants, mittens/gloves, hats and scarves. There is also a great need for boots! Thank you for helping to keep the kids stay warm. This drive is sponsored by the Highland CRC Service Team.

**Do you have any extra school supplies** you would be willing to donate to Marion Elementary to show our Kids Hope kids, and the entire school, how much we care? Especially needed are boxes of tissues, many pencils, Dry Erase markers, colored pencils, lined paper (refill packs) and disinfectant wipes. Please place them in the tub next to the mailboxes. Thank you!!

**Today is Safe Church Sunday.** Please join Safe Church and congregations across the U. S. and Canada in promoting this special Sunday. We ask that you unite with us to take on this present darkness – it's not as distant as you might think; it is in our homes and our own backyards. Resources and support are available from Safe Church Ministry by visiting www.crcna.org/safechurch or checking out the flyer on the information table.

**New Hope Shelter** is having its second annual Sportsman's Banquet on Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Civic Center in Cadillac. There will be good food, door prizes and auction items. For more information call (231) 468-2022 or check out our website, www.newhopecadillac.org. Tickets are \$50/person. The need for shelter is great in the Wexford/Missaukee area, so come join us.

**Vogel Center CRC Booster Club** is hosting their annual Glow & Go 5K Night Run/Walk on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm. The race begins and ends at Vogel Center CRC Church. All proceeds go to support Christian Education. Go to vogelcentercrc.org and find the registration form under the Happenings Tab and Booster Club. For more information or queries, contact Carrie Rozeveld at 825-9819. **The AMEN Chorus** will begin rehearsals on October 14<sup>th</sup> at Rehoboth Reformed Church from 5:00-7:00 pm. We are preparing a Christmas program for December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Some of the pieces will be performed with the Women's Philharmonic Choir. Please bring \$10 to cover the cost of the music at the first rehearsal. The AMEN Chorus is directed by Angela Warner and accompanied by Sandy Bode. Any questions, please call (231) 330-0894 or www.kirkangelawarner@hotmail.com.

**Friends Ministry "Just as Nice" Thrift Store would love your help!** We are in need of volunteers to help us with the abundance of goods we take in on a daily basis. The commitment is only 3-4 hours once a week. The success of the store and the resources that we are able to pour back into the community would not be possible without our volunteers! If you are interested in being a part of this wonderful ministry, please call the store at (231) 839-8816 or stop in at 3728 S. Morey Road (M-66) in Lake City and ask for Tina-Marie or Tammy.

**On Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> the NMC Junior Class** will host a dinner and auction to raise funds for their Spring Break Mission and Service Trip to the Dominican Republic. Please come to the school for a delicious Pulled-Pork BBQ supper with all the fixings from 5:30-6:30 pm, with the auction beginning at 6:45 pm. Many items will be up for bids including manual labor (yard work, stacking wood, etc.) themed gift baskets, baked goods and much more. Some of the past projects in the DR include building walls and roofs for schools, constructing latrines and assisting in medical brigades in remote areas. We hope you can join us for this supper and auction.