

<u>GREETERS:</u>	<u>North Door</u>	<u>South Door</u>
Sept 8	Bonnie Veddler	Kasey & Mary Rees
Sept 15	Mary Dracht	CJ & Sara Bruno
Sept 22	Dale & Bev Taylor	Curt & Becky Wemple
Sept 29	Dollene VanPolen & Phil VanAssche	James & Lizelle Bazuin

NURSERY:

Sept 8	Courtney Vanderhoef, Caitlin Dodde, Christina Dodde Tami Eisenga, Sheri Fiet, Maggie Southwick
Sept 15	Karianne Smith, Donna Veddler, Esther Bode Linda Ellens, Barb Dore, Leah Thompson
Sept 22	Jodi DeHate, Jodi Meyering, Karsyn Meyering Diane Nemeth, Madelyn Benthem, Cindy Vennema
Sept 29	Patti Koop, Becky Bode, Jayden Bode Julie Dorman, Bev Kamphouse, Kendyn Meyering

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP – LITTLE LAMBS:

September - TBA

SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:

Sept 8	Al Baas, Paul Rivera, Jodi DeHate
Sept 15	Matt Thompson, Al Fox, Tami Eisenga
Sept 22	Cary Sikkema, Roger Hagerman, Tana VanPolen
Sept 29	Al Baas, Dan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga

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 8, 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
 September 8, 2019

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

“Blessed Be Your Name “
“Be Thou My Vision“
“I Stand Amazed”

Congregational Prayer
 Children’s Message

“Word of God Speak”

Scripture: Colossians 1:15-29
 Sermon: *The Supremacy of Christ*

Offering: “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”
 1st - General Fund; 2nd - New Building

Blessing
“Glorify Thy Name”

Postlude

* * * * No Children’s Church this week * * * *

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

August: 2nd Offering			
4th	6,833.00	Highland Booster Club	1,049.00
11th	4,672.00	New Building Fund	4,135.00
18th	4,115.00	Benevolence	584.00
25th	4,505.00	George & Sarah DeVuyst	1,503.00
Budget needed weekly	6,200.56	CRC Loan Fund - Beginning Balance	322,617.21
Times 34 weeks	210,819.04	Principal Paid to Date	36,580.26
Received to date	184,173.05	Ending Balance CRC Loan Fund	286,036.95
Balance	(26,645.99)		
		Interest paid to date	9,858.74

<p>Pastoral Support: <i>Pastor Greg Kett (231) 425-8819</i></p> <p>Normal Office Hours: <i>Mon-Thurs:</i> <i>8:15 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM or by</i> <i>appointment as needed. Call anytime.</i></p>	<p>Ministry Team Leaders:</p> <p>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>Church Office: <i>Sara Bruno (231) 825-2171</i></p> <p>Normal Office hours: <i>Mon-Thurs: 9 am – 2 pm</i> <i>**Please have bulletin announcements to church by</i> <i>Thurs. 12 pm</i></p>	

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.

Long-term planning committee: 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. They would love to connect with you at your home, over a cup of coffee, or wherever is convenient for 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.

Vogel Center Booster Club "All You Can Eat Fish Fry: Friday, September 13, 6:00-8:00 pm. The delicious menu includes: AYCE cod, walleye, baked walleye, chicken, corn, baked beans, French fries, baked potatoes, rolls, salad, homemade desserts, ice cream, drinks. \$12 for age 10 & up, \$5 age 4-9, age 3 and under are free. Proceeds benefit Christina Education. Questions, call 231-825-4055. We hope to see you there!

September 12, the McBain Area Backpack Programs Inc (MABP) volunteers will be serving everyone at Culvers in Cadillac from 5:00-8:00 pm. A percentage of each meal will be given to the Backpack Program to "help feed hungry kids". The MABP would appreciate your support to CULVERS and enjoy a delicious meal with family and friends.

September 14, there will be a Community Food Drive for Kids from 9:00 am-3:00 pm at Walmart and Family Fare in Cadillac and at the Dollar General stores in Lake City and McBain. You will be given a list of items the backpack programs need and place the food in the Food Drive carts located outside each store. This food drive will support the McBain Area Backpack Program Inc. and the Lake City Backpacks for Kids. We hope to see you there.

OUR CHURCH WEEK: September 8-14

SUNDAY	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 4:00 PM	Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room Morning Worship Service ORV Ride
MONDAY	7:00 PM 7:30 PM	Deacons Council
TUESDAY	5:45 PM	MOPS
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM	Prayer Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grocery Shower: Emmalie Ouwinga and David Weurding were 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 through September 8.

TODAY! ORV Ride and Church-wide Potluck Picnic: Join us at the church north parking lot today, 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.

Sunday evening fellowship and Bible Study will resume next Sunday, Sept. 15 at 5:00 PM in the fellowship hall. We will discuss Scripture that teaches truths about who the Holy Spirit of God is and the role He plays in our lives. A time of fellowship and food follows at 6:00. Please contact Sandy at 825-2046 for a book and for more information. We are eager to have you join us.

Safe Church Meeting for all volunteers working with youth: There will be a meeting after church next 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.

Directory Update: Please send an updated family photo to the church office as we are working to update our directory and Pastor Greg's prayer wall. Photos can be dropped off or emailed to the church office at office@highlandcrc.org. Please include names, phone #'s, address, email, birthdays, & anniversary information. Thank you!

Prayer Corner

Dear Heavenly Father, please be with Steve Sluiter, Dick Bruno, Marilyn Ouwinga, Dawn Richardson, Mike Dodde Jerry Eisenga, and Angus Kittle. Bless each of them in ways only you can do. Give them the healing and the patience they need and may your light shine on them and through the caregivers you have sent to help. Surround them with your love and comfort. Fill them with the Holy Spirit, that they may be a testimony to your greatness.

“...We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express” -Romans 8:26

DAILY PRAYER FOCUS:

Another School year is underway. Let's join together in lifting the children and young people of Highland, our family and our community, before God. This week's daily prayer focus for our children: Pray for, and seek blessings, for those who are in authority over our children. Ask the Lord to give them wisdom and understanding as they instruct and influence our children.

OUR MISSIONARIES:

George and Sarah de Vuyst & Family: Serving in Ukraine
Email: gdevuyst@crcna.org
Website: <http://www.devuysts.com>

Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family: Serving in Uganda
Email: jshaarda@crcnapartners.org
Blog: <http://shaarda.blogspot.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. 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

Centershot: We are happy to welcome Greg Tossey as the new coordinator for our Centershot program.

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 22nd! 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 22nd 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.

Little Lambs & Children in Worship will be on break again this week 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!

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!