NURSERY:

January 16	Ruth Kulhawick, Melissa Oeverman, Emma Oeverman
	Sue Cook, Megan Benthem, Kendyn Meyering
January 23	Nicole Schultz, Donna Veddler, Stephanie VanHouten,
	Maggie Southwick, Karianne Smith, Evan Wemple
January 30	Linda Ellens, Esther Bode, Leah Thompson,
	Diane Nemeth, Jodi DeHate, Barb Dore
February 6	Tami Eisenga, Mya Eisenga, Jodi Meyering,
	Mary Rees, DaNay Tossey, Harper Tossey

LITTLE LAMBS / CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:

January 16	LL Teacher: Cindy Vennema; Helper: Jordyn Richardson
January 10	CIW Teacher: Maggie Southwick; Helper: Emerson Tossey
January 23	LL Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helper: Leah Thompson
January 25	CIW Teacher: Nicole Koetje; Helper: Linda Ellens
January 30	LL Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helper: Lindsay Beerens
January 30	CIW Teacher: Hillary Dracht; Helper: Linda Wing
February 6	LL Teacher: Nicole Schultz; Helper: Addean Oeverman
i ebidaly 0	CIW Teacher: Anne Thomas; Helpers: Karsyn Meyering

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT:

January 16	Kyle Meyering; Dan Ouwinga; Deb Eisenga
January 23	Cary Sikkema; Jonathan Ouwinga; Sue Cook
January 30	Matt Thompson; Deb Eisenga; Tami Eisenga
February 6	Kyle Meyering; Dan Ouwinga; Jodi DeHate

OFFERINGS:

2nd: Booster club 9th: New Building

16th: Josh and Mandy Shaarda **23**rd: Marion Food Pantry

30th: Existing Building

6th: Booster Club
13th: New Building
20th: World Renew
27th: Friends Ministry

USHERS:

January: Jerry Nemeth, Scott Oeverman, Todd Oeverman, Jun Brinks February: Steve Meeuwenberg, Jim Ouwinga, Devon Dracht, Henry Baas



JANUARY 16, 2022 HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Highland's Mission Statement:

Centered on Jesus Christ and his Word,

Highland Church seeks to glorify God with joyful and reverent worship;

nurture our children and people of all ages through biblical teaching;

promote Spirit-filled fellowship through acceptance and respect, healing and love;

and share the good news of Jesus both individually and together.

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Email: office@highlandcrc.org Website: www.highlandcrc.org Rev. Neil Jasperse Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:50 AM

^{**}If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, please find your own replacement. Please call the church office (231) 825-2171 if you have any questions. Thank you!

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE - 9:30 AM

Highland Christian Reformed Church January 16, 2022

The People of God Gather:

Prelude – "We Are Marching In The Light Of God" (vs 1-4)

Call to worship

Welcome

God's greeting

Greeting one another

To Praise God:

"Take My Life and Let It Be" (vs 1, 2, 5, 6)

"How Great Is Our God" (vs 1-2)

"You Are My All in All" (vs 1-3)

Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God:

Announcements

Congregational prayer

To Proclaim God's Word:

Children's message: Pastor Dave McMahon Song of preparation: "Lord I Need You"

Scripture: Mark 8:1-13

Title: "The Testimony of a Life Set Free"

Prayer of response

Song of response & Offertory: Special Music from Pastor Dave McMahon

Offering: 1st: General Fund: 2nd: Josh and Mandy Shaarda

(Please remain seated during the song of response and offering)

To Go in God's Name:

God's blessing:

Closing song: "My Friends May You Grow in Grace"

Postlude

- Nursery is available in the basement for children ages infant-3 years old.
- **Children's Church:** Little Lambs is available for ages 3-Kindergarten downstairs following the children's message. A parent must pick them up from their after the service.
- LIVE streaming of our Sunday service is available on our Facebook page;
- Video recordings are available on USB at the sound booth after the service or on DVD by request.

Council Officers for 2022:

Pastor	Neil Jasperse
President	Jon Dracht
Vice President	Jerry Koop, Jr.
Clerk	Ken Meyering
Secretary of Deacons	Greg Tossey
Vice Treasurer	Kasey Rees

Districts for 2022:

*all phone #'s have a (231) area code unless otherwise specified

District	Deacons
#1, A-C	David Wing
#2, D-E	Greg Tossey
#3, F-L	Devon Dracht
#4, M-O	Kasey Rees
#5, P-T	Doug Mitchell
#6, U-Z	Adam Swiler
	Church Office
	#1, A-C #2, D-E #3, F-L #4, M-O #5, P-T

PASTORAL VISITS: If you would appreciate a pastoral visit for whatever reason, please contact Pastor Neil via Sara Bruno in the church office by calling (231) 825-2171 or directly by email at npjasperse@gmail.com or in person.

Upcoming Council Meetings

February 7 6:30 pm Elders February 7 7:00 pm Deacons February 7 7:30 pm Council

CHURCH OFFICE

(231) 825-2171 office@highlandcrc.org **Normal Hours:**

Mon-Thurs: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Fri-Sun: Closed

All bulletin content is due by noon on Thursdays

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

Worship Team (DaNay Tossey)

Care & Fellowship Team (Cindy Vennema)

Education Team (Megan Pluger)

Outreach Team (Jodi DeHate)

Prayer Team (Sandy Rice)

Service Team (Carrie Thompson)

Facilities Team (Greg Hesselink)

JANUARY HIGHLAND COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS:

The Highland council, including the new elders and deacons, met on January 3. Here are some highlights:

- 1. Sara Bruno, our Administrative Assistant, reported that the long-awaited church picture directories will be assembled on January 8 and handed out after the January 9 worship service.
- 2. The elders reported that they approved a proposal to ask Dale Fredin to serve as an adjunct elder, continuing to care for a shepherd elder district, in order to free up Elder Jon Dracht for his responsibilities as council president. The elders also approved a proposal to ask Ken Roede to serve as an adjunct visitation elder at large. Since none of our current elders are retired, Ken can also accompany the pastor in serving communion to members who cannot readily get out. Note: Both Dale and Ken have agreed to these roles.
- 3. New Vice-Treasurer Kasey Rees reported that every ministry fund (general, building, benevolence etc.) has an ample balance. The final 2021 finance report showed that expenses totaled far less than budgeted, partially due to part-time staff roles that have not yet been filled as we seek a senior pastor.

 A recommendation from the deacons was approved to allocate general fund money beyond a rainy day buffer of \$35,000: \$5,000 for our missionaries; \$10,000 to pay down our building loan; \$15,000 to build a covered drive-through structure by the north doors for safe entry during inclement weather.
- 4. The council held a listening circle, with everyone having the opportunity to respond to two questions: what key biblical truths did you learn from the teaching forum on women in church leadership and what advice do you have on moving forward in unity despite differing convictions?
- 5. Back in 2014 Highland Church took a big step of faith and commitment to build a new worship wing on our facility. It cost about \$1,400,000. To cover the cost we took out a \$700,000 loan from the Christian Reformed Loan Fund- to be paid back in twenty years. With faithful giving, the loan was reduced to \$187,000 by the end of 2020. With steady giving in 2021 and then major contributions at Thanksgiving and year end, we have paid down our loan to under \$78,000. We praise God for his material blessings on us and generous giving in response!

PRAYER CORNER

Let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. Hebrews 4:16

We lift up in prayer those that need healing: Please pray for Dick Bruno, Danielle Ozeran, Carol Niver, and Jean Kriebel. Lord, give them the healing and the patience they need and bless each of them in ways only you can do.

Please pray for the family of **Justin Gernaat** who passed away December 31st after an intense battle with metastatic colon cancer.

We extend our condolences to Lori and Doug Mitchell and Rick and Julie Dorman and their families in the passing of **Ken Pluger**, who passed away January 1st.

We extend out condolences to the family of **Bob Kuiper**, the former pastor of the Marion Chapel. Bob passed way December 30th in Illinois.

DAILY PRAYER FOCUS

Please join us in daily prayer for our council:

Heavenly Father, keep our council members in the fear of you. Bind the fear of failure and people. Give them boldness to confront sin and other threats to the church when necessary. Give them courage to resist manipulation and to follow where you lead.

*Content for the Daily Prayer Focus is contributed by the HCRC Prayer Team

Missions

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George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family

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Military

Tyler Bode

(Staff Sargent, U.S. Air Force)
Davis Monthan Airforce Base, Tucson, AZ

OUR CHURCH WEEK: JANUARY 16-22

SUN 01/16	9:15 AM	A time of prayer in the prayer room
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service & Installation
	10:50 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
TUES 01/18	5:45 PM	MOPS Steering Team Meeting in YB
WED 01/19	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Family Night Dinner
	7:00 PM	GEMS, Centershot, Prayer Meeting
FRI 01/21	All Day	Church Use
SAT 01/22	All day	Church Use

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This morning we welcome Rev. Dave McMahon as he leads our worship service.

Pastor Neil and Ruth will be on vacation January 10-17 to visit their eldest son in California. Please contact your district elder or the church office if you have any pastoral care needs or questions during that time.

Next Sunday, we will celebrate the installation of Elders and Deacons: Incoming Elders: Jon Dracht, Paul Shaarda & Den Kamphouse; Incoming Deacons: Dave Wing, Kasey Rees & Devon Dracht.

Next Sunday at 4:30 pm-Teaching Forum #2: Women in Church Leadership If you were unable to attend the first Teaching Forum, we invite you to check out the video of that session on our Facebook page. A link to that video is also available on our website under the bulletin tab. **The Listening Circle** is scheduled for Sunday, January 30 at 4:30 pm.

Family Night Dinner will begin at 6:30 pm this Wednesday with chicken and cheese quesadillas. GEMS, Centershot and Prayer Meeting will begin at 7:00 pm.

High School Winter Retreat: Highland and Rehoboth's youth groups are teaming up for a winter retreat at Spring Hill Camp, February 18-20. Student fee is \$60 per person. For more details on this retreat, please visit our Strong Tower Facebook Page. Please sign-up either with Shari Benthem or on the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall by January 23rd.

Directory Corrections: Personal information is not posted online. Please see a printed copy of the bulletin for recent corrections and updates.

The 2022 Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign for Life Resources of Northern Michigan has begun! You will be offered a bottle at the end of the service to fill and return by February 6. If you wish to write a check, please make payable to Life Resources of Northern Michigan. Please return any unused bottles as well so these can be used for future campaigns. A box for both full and empty bottles will be available near the information table in the fellowship hall. Please check your mailbox for additional information in the coming weeks!

Grocery Shower –Please help us celebrate the upcoming wedding of Logan Nemeth and Kara Hughston with a grocery shower of pantry items and paper products! The wedding is planned for this Saturday, January 22 at Highland. A basket has been provided in the fellowship hall next to the information table.

Our Church Directory is ready! Please pick up your copy in the fellowship hall after this morning's service. Each household will receive 1 color copy. Any additional prints will be black and white. If you would like an additional copy for a family member no longer within the Highland congregation, please leave a request in the church office and one will be made available once the initial distribution has been completed.

Friends Ministry is looking for a part time Campus Manager to oversee our maintenance/garden needs. This individual will direct repairs on buildings and equipment, and lead the summer garden and barter labor program in an effective way that promotes the Gospel in word and deed. If interested, please contact Jeremy Snyder at Friends Ministry by calling (231) 839-8816 or by email at FriendsMinistry@yahoo.com.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

December		2nd Offering	
5th	5,102.00	Highland Booster Club	713.00
12th	3,697.00	New Building Fund	53,360.00
19th	4,886.00	Church Building Fund	671.00
26th	5,236.16	Life Resources	858.00
Budget needed weekly	5,765.14	CRC Loan Fund - Beginning Balance	187,213.38
Times 52 weeks	299,787.20	Principal Paid to Date	109,474.29
Received to date	295,695.57	CRC Loan Fund - Ending Balance	77,739.09
Balance	(4,091.63)		
		Interest paid to date	7,739.96

Our 2021 Year-End Budget Report can be found in your mailbox.