

“Use whatever gift you have received to serve others” -1 Peter 4:10

NURSERY

- March 5** Tami Eisenga, Mary Rees, DaNay Tossey, Natalie Kvasnak
March 12 Bev Taylor, Jackie Schmid, Deborah Ouwinga, Emma Lee
March 19 Megan Plugger, Melissa Oeverman, Cindy Vennema, Aubrynn Bazuin
March 26 Patti Koop, Lizelle Bazuin, Bev Kamphouse, Claire Thompson

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

- March 5** Teacher: Megan Plugger Helpers: Nicole Schultz, Alan Thomas
March 12 Teacher: Cindy Vennema; Helpers: Nicole Koetje, Kendyn Meyering
March 19 Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helpers: Hillary Dracht, Gracyn Swiler
March 26 No Children’s Church –Spring Break!

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

- March 5** Matt Thompson, Jonathan Ouwinga, Sue Cook
March 12 Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
March 19 Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Kendra Jenema
March 26 Matt Thompson, Roger Hagerman, Deborah Ouwinga

2ND OFFERINGS

- March:**
5th – Booster Club
12th – Project Canefire
19th – Existing Building Fund
26th – Middle School Youth Room

USHERS

- March:** Adam Southwick, Kevin Eisenga, Todd Oeverman, Tucker Tossey
April: Kasey Rees, Dale Fredin, Al Thomas, Lars Fredin

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



March 5, 2023

Highland Christian Reformed Church

“Striving to be the heart and hands of Jesus”

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.”*

CORE VALUES:

*Worship joyfully and reverently.
Treasure familiar neighbors and warmly welcome new relationships.
Nurture our covenant children and serve our community.
Earnestly pray and eagerly work.
Embrace diversity and emphasize unity.
Empower ministry staff and employ the ministry gifts of all.
Give generously and invest globally.*

Rev. Mark Bonnes & Rev. Ashley Bonnes

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Sunday Worship 9:30 am
Sunday School & Catechism
10:40 am – 11:30 am (Sept-May)

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion
(231) 825-2171

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
March 5, 2023

The People of God Gather:

Prelude: Special Music – *God’s Infinite Grace–Medley*
 Welcome
 Call of Confession & Assurance of Pardon –Lighting the Christ Candle
 God’s Greeting
 Greet One Another

To Praise God:

Without Him (vs 1,2)
Wonderful Merciful Savior (vs 1-3)
 1 John 4:19
My Jesus, I Love Thee (vs 1,2,4)
 Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God:

Announcements
 Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God’s Word:

Children’s Message- Alan Baas
 Song of Preparation: *Wonderful Words of Life (vs 1,3)*
 Sermon Title: **“A Heart Several Sizes Too Small”**
 Scripture: **1 Corinthians 3:3-4**
 Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory: Special Music – *Your Love Compels Me*

Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Booster Club

To Go in God’s Name:

God’s blessing
 Closing Song: *Bind Us Together*
 Postlude

HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Officers for 2023:

(All have a 231 area code unless otherwise noted)

President	Jon Dracht
Vice President	Don Eisenga
Clerk	Alan Baas
Sec. of Deacons	Kyle Meyering
Vice Treas.	Kasey Rees

<p align="center">Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes *personal contact info is not posted online. Please call the church office.</p>

Districts for 2023:

Elders	District	Deacons
Den Kamphouse	#1, A-C	David Wing
Alan Baas	#2, D-E	Kyle Meyering
Jon Dracht	#3, F-L	Devon Dracht
Paul Shaarda	#4, M-O	Kasey Rees
Don Eisenga	#5, P-T	Scott Oeverman
Don Ellens	#6, U-Z	Anne Thomas

Next Council Meeting: March 6, 2023

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

Spring Classis Meeting: March 7, 2023 at 9:00 am at Calvin CRC

<p align="center"><u>Church Office</u> (231) 825-2171 office@highlandcrc.org Office Hours: Mon - Thurs: 8:30 am-2:00 pm Fri-Sun: Closed **All bulletin content is due at noon on Thursdays**</p>	<p align="center"><u>Ministry Team Leaders</u> Care & Fellowship Team (Cindy Vennema) Education Team (Megan Pluger) Facilities Team (Greg Hesselink) Outreach Team (Jodi DeHate) Prayer Team (Sandy Rice) Service Team (Carrie Thompson) Worship Team (DaNay Tossey)</p>
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<p align="center">Our Nursery is available downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old. Children’s Church is available downstairs for children ages 3-Kindergarten following the children’s message.</p>
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ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

In Honor of Those That Have Served: Our Role of Honor plaques in the fellowship hall are due for an update. If you or a loved one (past or present member) of Highland Church served in the U.S. Military and their name isn't already on the plaques, please notify the church office so they can be added. Thank you!

Items for Christmas Shoeboxes- For the months of **March & April** we will be collecting SMALL TOYS: Baby dolls, toy cars, soccer balls with pumps, toy animals, stress balls, bouncy balls, books, flashlights/batteries, jump rope etc. We would like to ask the congregation for ongoing support and donations by collecting items on a monthly basis. There is a tote labeled for the donations of each month located next to the information table in the fellowship hall. Please feel free to purchase any of these items at any time as we greatly appreciate all the support.

Northern Michigan Christian School's elementary students will be putting on a musical called "**Star Quest.**" Please join us for this free event at 7 PM on Thursday, March 16, 2023 at Resurrection Life Church, 9127 44 1/2 Rd, Cadillac, MI 49601.

Start Your Comet Journey - Are you looking for Preschool, Young 5's or Kindergarten? Join us at Northern Michigan Christian School on March 21st for an information night where future Comets can meet their teacher, explore classrooms, and receive information about registration for the 2023-24 School Year! If you are unsure if your student is ready for Kindergarten, feel free to join us and we have readiness testing available! Informational meetings will be as follows:

- Preschool, 5:30 PM
- Young 5's, 6:00 PM
- Kindergarten, 6:30 PM

THANK YOU

I would like to thank the people of Highland church for all their prayers, cards, calls and visits and acts of kindness. Your continued prayers for healing and relief from ongoing symptoms would be greatly appreciated. ~Bonny Veddler

PRAYER CORNER

- ✚ We lift up in prayer those that need healing and the strength needed for each day: **BJ Cook, Amanda Lee, Jean Vennema, Bonnie Veddler, Carol Niver, Shandell (Veddler) Banks & Dick Bruno.**
- ✚ **Ken VanPolen, Sr.** would appreciate prayers for wisdom in upcoming decisions regarding the cancer that has returned. Please pray for strength and courage in the days ahead.
- ✚ **Jean Venema** appreciates your continued prayers for patience and healing following a knee replacement.

WEEKLY PRAYER EMPHASIS:

On January 1 we began 2023 with a prayer service where we collected prayers from you all. The Prayer Team has turned those wonderful prayers and prayer concerns into a calendar of prayers for 2023. Every week we will emphasize one of those prayer concerns.

- **This Sunday**, we will consider all that we can be thankful for when it comes to our Highland Church family. How have you been blessed by the people of Highland Church
- **In the week ahead & next Sunday**, please pray for new believers, and for those that are still searching to find God.

OUR MISSIONARIES

*Contact the office for mailing addresses

George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family

Serving in Ukraine & the U.S.

Email: gdevuyst@crcna.org

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Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family

Serving in Uganda

Email: jshaarda@crnapartners.org

Blog: <http://shaarda.blogspot.com>

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY

*Contact the office for mailing addresses

Seth Nowland

(Sergeant First Class; U.S. Army)

Camp Casey Army Base, South Korea

**Parents: Larry & Marilyn Nowland

Tyler Bode

(Staff Sergeant, U.S. Air Force)

Davis Monthan Airforce Base, Tucson, AZ

**Parents: Dale & Becky Bode

OUR CHURCH WEEK: MARCH 5-11

SUN 3/5	9:15 AM	Prayer
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	10:40 AM	Sunday School, Catechism & Lenten Discussion Group
	4:30 PM	Fellowship Bible Study – Lesson 6
	4:40 PM	Strong Tower (HS) – <i>Jesus Revolution</i> movie in Cadillac
	6:00 PM	Extreme (MS) –Regular Meeting
MON 3/6	6:30 PM	Elders Meeting
	7:00 PM	Lenten Discussion Group (youth building)
	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
	7:30 PM	Council Meeting
TUES 3/7	9:00 AM	Spring Classis Meeting at Calvin CRC
WED 3/8	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda) – Lesson 2
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
THUR 3/9	7:00 PM	Praise 9 Practice

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

TONIGHT: Our High School Youth Group, Strong Tower, will be meeting at the Cadillac 4 Movie Theater for the 4:40 pm viewing of the movie, *Jesus Revolution*. The Middle School youth group, Extreme, will meet at 6:00 pm for their regular meeting. Large Group Leader: Megan Plugger; Snack provided by Dana Baas and Abby Meyering.

Lenten Challenge Series: During the upcoming Lenten season, we will be studying the Seven Deadly Sins. Based on the book “Glittering Vices” by Rebecca Konyndyk DeYoung, each week we will have a series of challenges and prayers that we encourage people to do during the week prior to the Sunday sermon of that topic. Adults are welcome to attend either discussion group each week: during the Sunday school hour or on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm.

The Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study will meet this evening at 4:30 pm for Lesson 6 of their study on the book of James.

The Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda) will be starting with Lesson 2 of their new study on the Ten Commandments. Please see Hilda Cruz for your copy of the study guide.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

****Reminder!!** Please return all Baby Bottles for Life Resources** - All bottles (full or empty) need to be returned to the box next to the information table so they can be reused for future campaigns. Thank you!

Vogel Center CRC will be hosting the annual **Spring Day of Prayer** on Wednesday, March 8 at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to attend and pray for God’s blessings on our community, families, schools and businesses.

New Members Class- Pastors Mark and Ashley will be offering a New Members Class in the coming month (start-date yet to be determined). If you are interested in joining the church either through either Profession of Faith or Reaffirmation of Faith, please contact either Pastor Mark, Pastor Ashley or the church office.

My Favorite Hymn... The Worship Team would like to encourage the people of Highland to think about what their favorite traditional hymn or contemporary praise song is and why. Our plan is to sing a one of these songs each week and to have the individual that picked that song give a brief testimony for what that song means to them. If you prefer a member of the praise team would also be available to read your written testimony aloud for the congregation. Slips of paper can be found on the information table. Once filled out, please place it in the jar provided.

The ‘Change War’ Winners are...The Girls with 4003 points and the boys with -1300 points. All together, they raised **\$2,501.06!** **MS Youth Room Update:** The middle school youth room is coming along nicely. The drywall is up and will soon be ready for primer and paint. That being said, the money for this project has been depleted. The room still needs cabinets, flooring, doors, lights, plumbing, paint and furniture. The estimated cost to finish the room is \$13,000 which does not include furniture. Please prayerfully consider donating to this project so the kids will be able to have a space to meet, fellowship and grow in Christ.

****First Aid and CRP Class:** We are looking to see how many people would be interested in a First Aid and CPR class in April. We need to choose 1 of 2 date, April 15 or April 29 (but not both) but we need to know which works best for the majority of the group as we can only do one date. This class will offer training in First Aid, adult and child CPR and how to use the AED machine. More details will be available at a later date, but if you are interested, please be sure to indicate which date works best for you at the information table of the fellowship hall. ****Please note,** the date you choose is not guaranteed but will give us an indication on which of the 2 dates will work best for the majority of the group.