NURSERY:

Aug 15	Linda Ellens, Maggie Southwick, Karianne Smith, Donna Veddler, Esther Bode, Leah Thompson
Aug 22	Jodi DeHate, Barb Dore, Becky Bode, Patti Koop, Lizelle Bazuin, Aubrynn Bazuin
Aug 29	Julie Dorman, Bev Kamphouse, Claire Thompson Amy Eisenga, Kasey McQuestion, Addean Oeverman
Sept 5	Karen Oeverman, Franklin Baas, Becky Wemple, Shari Benthem, Jayden Benthem, Anne Thomas

LITTLE LAMBS / CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:

June 20-September 5: Summer Break!

SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:

Aug 15	Matt Thompson, Roger Hagerman, Sue Cook
Aug 22	Cary Sikkema, Dan Ouwinga, Deb Eisenga
Aug 29	Matt Thompson, Jonathan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga
Sept 5	Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga

OFFERINGS:

Sooster Club New Building Existing Building GEMS

USHERS:

August: Jason Benthem, Jonathan Ouwinga, Joey Kulhawick, Marlin Venema **September:** Greg Hesselink, Jon Dracht, Don Ellens, Den Kamphouse

**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!



August 15, 2021

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.

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Rev. Neil Jasperse

Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM

Email: office@highlandcrc.org Website: www.highlandcrc.org

^{***}Check out our teacher/helper sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall***

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE - 9:30 AM

Highland Christian Reformed Church August 15, 2021

The People of God Gather:

Call to worship- Psalm 145:1, 3 & 4

Welcome:

God's greeting:

Greeting one another

To Praise God:

"I Bless You, Lord" (vs. 1-3)

"Great is the Lord" (vs. 1-2)

Prayer of praise

To Profess our Faith in God:

The Apostle's Creed (said in unison)

The biblical call and importance of a public profession

The professions of faith

The vow of the congregation

The words of reception

The prayer

"In Christ Alone" (all verses)

To Pray and Serve God:

Announcements:

Congregational prayer: concluding with the Lord's Prayer Today's Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Strong Tower

Offertory: "Take My Life and Let It Be" (Vs. 1, 3-5)

To Proclaim God's Word:

Children's message:

Song of preparation: "Spirit Song"

Bible reading: Luke 4:1-13; Galatians 5:22-23 (said in unison)

Message: The Fruit of the Spirit- Self-Control

Prayer of response

Song of response: "May the Mind of Christ my Savior" (Psalter Hymnal 291:1-2, 4-5)

To Go in God's Name:

God's blessing:

Parting song: "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing (Psalter Hymnal 320: 1-2)"

Postlude

2021 COUNCIL				
Executive. Board: *	Church Office (231) 825-2171			
Elders	District	Deacons		
Bob Vennema *Clerk	#1, A-C	Gary Hesselink		
Dale Fredin *Pres.	#2, D-E	Greg Tossey *Sec. of Deac.		
Ken Meyering	#3, F-L	Tom Ouwinga *V.T.		
Ken Roede *V.P.	#4, M-O	Dan Villwock		
Jerry Koop	#5, P-T	Doug Mitchell		
Bryan Eisenga	#6, V-Z	Adam Swiler		

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Elders Sept 13 6:30 pm Sept 13 7:00 pm Deacons Sept 13 Council 7:30 pm

PASTORAL VISITS:

If you would appreciate a pastoral visit for whatever reason, please contact Pastor Neil via Sara Bruno in the church office, by email at npjasperse@gmail.com or in person.

Classis of Northern Michigan -Summary of Special Meeting

8/2/2021

At the beginning of August, Timothy Kimble was examined for ordination. As a teen Timothy connected with the Lake City Christian Reformed Church. After serving in the army, Timothy felt called to be a chaplain in the Michigan Army National Guard. To prepare, he invested years in a long-distance program through Calvin Theological Seminary. Timothy gave a fine account of his life in Christ, along with his biblical and theological knowledge. He was heartily and unanimously approved for gospel ministry. We praise God for working through local churches to raise up people to lead his church.

CHURCH OFFICE

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

Mon-Thurs: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm Fri-Sun: Closed

***All bulletin content due by noon on Thursdays

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

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)

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

The Executive Ministry Team is excited to announce "Ministry Sign-up Sundays" September 12th and 19th in the fellowship hall following the morning service. Each Ministry Team will have a table set up with opportunities on how you can serve Highland using the gifts God has given you. If you have not completed the spiritual gift survey we would encourage you to do so before these sign-up events. Printed surveys are available in the church office. You may also contact Shari Benthem to have the survey emailed to you. If you have not completed the survey, you are still encouraged to prayerfully consider how you can serve at Highland.

Save The Date:

 September 26: The Annual Highland ORV Ride; Details will be posted closer to that event.

Highland Church Picnic, August 29th: Games, Corn-hole, and other activities will begin at 3:00 pm followed by a potluck dinner at 5:00 pm. Meat, buns, drinks and tableware will be provided. Come join us for a time of fun, fellowship and food!

Grocery Shower: We'd like to bless Sarah VanPolen and Nick Brinks with a grocery shower of pantry items and paper products. Sarah and Nick will be married here on August 21st. Items may be placed in the basket provided in the fellowship hall August 8th, 15th and 22nd.

WE NEED OUR HELP AT MOPS! We are seeking loving, responsible individuals to provide childcare for kids, ages 0-6 during our meetings. Our moms need a break and greatly appreciate your service. Without childcare it is difficult to serve our moms in the ways the need. Please prayerfully consider helping our ministry! Our meetings dates are: The 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, September-May. Hours are from 5:45 pm - 8:00 pm. MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers and provides a community for local moms to build relationships, share support and learn from God's word. We believe better moms make a better world. Will you help us?

Love INC - FUNDRAISING GOAL - \$25,000 IN 25 DAYS: In extraordinary times, let's continue to do extraordinary things! Love INC's annual budget of support from annual fundraising is \$25,000. Please help us continue Love INC services for families with personal health issues, family displacement concerns, job challenges, unemployment situations and so many more challenges facing those in our community. Please help us reach the Love INC goal of \$25,000.

PROFESSIONS OF FAITH

Emerson Tossey & Karsyn Meyering have met with Pastor Neil and our elders and have made a profession of their faith in Jesus. We will celebrate their public professions this morning.

MESSAGE OUTLINE

Title: The Fruit of the Spirit: Self-Control

Text: Luke 4:1-13; Galatians 5:22-23

Introduction: the train wreck in San Bernardino

- 1. The fruit of the Spirit is self-control: Restraint over one's desires and impulses
- 2. The way of the world

Conclusion

- 3. The example of Jesus: Luke 4:1-13
- 4. Self-control makes the most of life
- 5. Personal assessment: Seven key areas
- 6. Exercising self-control is hard: A double dip of good news

Notes:

Nursery is available in the basement for children ages infant-3 years old.

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 the following Monday afternoon from the office.

PRAYER CORNER

"Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words." Romans 8:26

We lift up in prayer those that need healing. Please pray for Ken VanPolen, Dick Bruno, Carol Niver, Marilyn Ouwinga, BJ & Sue Cook, Corey DeZeeuw and Carol Southwick. Lord, give them the healing and the patience they need and bless each of them in ways only you can.

Prayer of praise: Jean Venema's cataract surgery went well this past Wednesday! Please pray for healing. She will have the other eye done in a couple weeks.

DAILY PRAYER FOCUS

Creator God, Your word tells me that I have the minds of Christ. Thank You. Because I am a new creation, my mind is already set on the things of the Spirit which include peace, life and truth, I rejoice that life and peace reside in the core of who I am.

*Content for the Daily Prayer Focus is provided by the Highland Prayer Team

Missions

Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family

Serving in Uganda Email: jshaarda@crcnapartners.org Blog: http://shaarda.blogspot.com/

George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family

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Military

Tyler Bode

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

Please let us know how we can pray for you!

Prayer requests may either be left with an elder or the church office.

OUR CHURCH WEEK: AUGUST 15-21

SUN 08/15	9:15 AM	A time of prayer in the prayer room		
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service & Professions of Faith		
WED 08/18	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting		
THURS 08/19	7:00 PM	JUMP Practice		
FRI 08/20	Church Use for VanPolen/Brinks Wedding			
SAT 08/21				

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we have the privilege of celebrating the Professions of Faith of Emerson Tossey and Karsyn Meyering.

Sunday School News: We are making plans for an exciting Sunday School year! We have chosen a curriculum that is Bible focused and shows how Jesus is revealed throughout the Scriptures. There will even be take-home papers for personal or family devotions! Classes will be for preschool-5th grade and we plan to start on **September 12**. Please prayerfully consider how you can serve in this ministry. We need teachers, helpers and substitutes. Team teaching is also a great option for those who can't make it every week. We will have a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. Contact April (231-679-2612) or Dan (231-846-1044) with questions.

Little Lambs and Children In Worship- Volunteers are needed as helpers and teachers for our Children's Church Programs. **Little Lambs** is for kids ages 3-4 (not in full-day preschool). **Children In Worship** is for kids ages 4-Kindergarten (in full-day preschool/kindergarten). Please sign up in the fellowship hall.

Youth Leaders Needed! Since we have not had any applicants come forward to serve as Youth Director, the Education Committee and the Highland Council have decided to move forward into this coming school year with the "old system" of having volunteers from the congregation step up as youth leaders. We need 1-2 couples along with a few individuals to team up as leaders. We need leaders for our High schoolers (Strong Tower) and additional help for our middle schoolers (Xtreme). Please contact Megan Pluger at (231) 342-4830 for more details.