

### NURSERY:

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| <b>Aug 21</b>  | Tami Eisenga, Jodi Meyering, Mikayla Powers, Emma Oeverman   |
| <b>Aug 28</b>  | Jackie Schmid, Deborah Ouwinga, Megan Pluger, Leah Thompson  |
| <b>Sept 4</b>  | April Villwock, Melissa Oeverman, Cindy Vennema, Mya Eisenga |
| <b>Sept 11</b> | Lizelle Bazuin, Julie Dorman, Bev Kamphouse, Karsyn Meyering |

**Thank you**  
to all of our  
faithful volunteers  
for their service  
each week in  
helping to  
promote the  
kingdom of God!

### LITTLE LAMBS / CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:

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| <b>June/July/Aug</b> | <b>***Summer Break***</b><br>If you are interested in helping with Children's Church this fall, please contact Lindsay Beerens. |
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### SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT:

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| <b>Aug 21</b>  | Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Kendra Jenema     |
| <b>Aug 28</b>  | Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Sue Cook           |
| <b>Sept 4</b>  | Kyle Meyering, Jonathan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga |
| <b>Sept 11</b> | Matt Thompson, Roger Hagerman, Jodi DeHate    |

### OFFERINGS:

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| <b>August:</b>                            | <b>September:</b>                    |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> –Booster Club             | 4 <sup>th</sup> –Booster Club        |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> –New Building            | 11 <sup>th</sup> –New Building       |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> –Josh & Mandy Shaarda    | 18 <sup>th</sup> –Benevolence        |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> –George & Sarah de Vuyst | 25 <sup>th</sup> –Marion Food Pantry |

### USHERS

**August:** Joey Kulhawick, Bob Lee, Ryan McQuestion, Mike Pluger  
**September:** Ken Roede, Todd Schmid, Adam Swiler, Dale Taylor

**\*\*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!**



**August 21, 2022**

## **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.*

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Rev. Neil Jasperse  
Sunday Worship 9:30 AM  
Sunday School 10:50 AM (Sept-May)

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion  
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**HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**  
**Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am**  
**August 21, 2022**

**The People of God Gather:**

Prelude: *I'll Fly Away (Instrumental)*  
 Call to Worship- from Acts 2:38-39  
 Welcome  
 God's Greeting  
 Greeting One Another

To Praise God

*Power in the Blood (vs 1 & 3)*  
*Days of Elijah*  
*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus / Yes, Lord, Yes (Medley)*  
 Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God:

Announcements  
 Video from Pastors Mark and Ashley Bonnes  
 Congregational prayer

To Proclaim God's Word:

Children's Message: Marilyn Visser  
 Song of Preparation: *Standing on the Promises (vs 1-3)*

**Sermon Text: Romans 8: 28-30; Acts 9: 1-19**

**Sermon Title: The Golden Chain of Salvation- Those God Called**

Prayer of response  
 Song of Response & Offertory: *Build Your Kingdom*  
 1st Offering: General Fund; 2nd Offering: Josh & Mandy Shaarda

To Go in God's Name:

God's blessing  
 Closing Song: *This Little Light of Mine (vs 1-3)*  
 Postlude: *I Saw the Light (Instrumental)*

*\*\*Our nursery is available downstairs for children ages infant-3 years old\*\**

**COUNCIL CORNER:**

**Officers for 2022:**

|                             |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Pastor</b>               | Neil Jasperse   |
| <b>President</b>            | Jon Dracht      |
| <b>Vice President</b>       | Jerry Koop, Jr. |
| <b>Clerk</b>                | Ken Meyering    |
| <b>Secretary of Deacons</b> | Greg Tossey     |
| <b>Vice Treasurer</b>       | Kasey Rees      |

**Districts for 2022:**

| <b>Elders</b>              | <b>District</b> | <b>Deacons</b> |
|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Den Kamphouse              | <b>#1, A-C</b>  | David Wing     |
| Dale Fredin: Adjunct Elder | <b>#2, D-E</b>  | Greg Tossey    |
| Ken Meyering               | <b>#3, F-L</b>  | Devon Dracht   |
| Paul Shaarda               | <b>#4, M-O</b>  | Kasey Rees     |
| Jerry Koop, Jr.            | <b>#5, P-T</b>  | Doug Mitchell  |
| Bryan Eisenga              | <b>#6, U-Z</b>  | Adam Swiler    |
| Ken Roede: Adjunct Elder   |                 | Church Office  |

**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 by email at [npjasperse@gmail.com](mailto:npjasperse@gmail.com) or in person.

**CHURCH OFFICE**

(231) 825-2171  
 office@highlandcrc.org

**Office Hours:**

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

**\*\*All bulletin content is 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:**

**Missionary Newsletter-** George and Sarah de Vuyst have sent out their August Newsletter, Kyiv Connections which is now posted on the Missions Bulletin board in the East wing. Copies are available there also.

**Community School Supply Drive:** We will be collecting school supplies for the Marion School and the surrounding area through September 18th. Please keep your eyes open for the following items when out shopping over the next few weeks:

- Backpacks
- Colored pencils
- 1-subject, wide-ruled notebooks
- #2 Pencils
- Markers
- Folders
- Ear buds
- Disinfectant wipes
- Hand sanitizer

**Friendship Family Home** -You are invited to our Open House on August 21<sup>st</sup> from 2-4 pm at Friendship Family Home in McBain. Please come and enjoy some refreshments while we show you our basement improvements and other blessings God has provided for us!

**NMC's Annual Fish Fry Dinner-** September 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 5-8 pm. All proceeds support Northern Michigan Christian School Athletics. Dinner includes fish or chicken, sides, drinks, and dessert! Pricing: Adults: \$15; Ages 4-9: \$7; Ages 3 and under are free.

**Save the Date: Highland's Annual ORV Ride** has been scheduled for Sunday, September 25. We will depart from the church at 4:00 pm and finish back at the church for a potluck supper.

**Save the Dave: Life Resources of Northern Michigan's Fundraising Banquet,** on Tuesday, September 27 at the Timberwolf Camp Lake in Lake City. If you are interested in being a table host or would like more information on this event, please contact their Cadillac office.

**SERMON OUTLINE**

**Title: The Golden Chain of Salvation- Those God Called**  
**Text: Romans 8: 28-30; Acts 9: 1-19**

Introduction:

- Three scenes: three phone calls
- The golden chain of salvation: five links.

- 1) The third link: those God called (Romans 8:30).
  - a) Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10)
  - b) Paul (Acts 9:1-19)
  - c) Jonathan Bernis.
- 2) How has God called you?
  - a) God calls in various ways.
  - b) God calls through the gospel: proclaimed and demonstrated.
- 3) God calls through his people (II Thessalonians 2:14; Romans 10:14).
- 4) How have you been an agent of God's call?

Conclusion: in an age of automated calls, God's call is always personal- the best.

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**PRAYER CORNER**

- ✚ We lift up in prayer, Dick Bruno, Carol Niver and Bruce Vennema. We pray that they receive the healing, patience and daily strength that they need.
- ✚ Please pray for **Marilyn Nowland** who has been recently hospitalized due to fluid building up around her heart and in her lungs. Please pray for guidance for her medical team as they work to diagnose and treat this condition and please pray to for healing and renewed strength.
- ✚ Please keep **Sally Huttenga** in your prayers as she had open heart surgery this past Tuesday to repair a leaky mitral valve in her heart. The surgery went as well as can be expected. Please pray for rest and healing now as she recovers.
- ✚ Please pray for **Highland's Youth Programs** that will be starting soon. Please pray that the roles for Sunday School Superintendents, teachers and helpers will soon be filled.
- ✚ We lift up prayers of praise that **Pastors Mark and Ashley Bonnes** have agreed to serve as the next pastors of Highland Church! Please pray for their family and their church in Indiana during the transition over the next few months.

**DAILY PRAYER FOCUS:**

*"I am crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself up for me." –Galatians 2:20*

Holy God, make my desire be to reveal the light of Jesus Christ who lives in me. May the choices I make reflect the holiness and love of Your Son, Jesus. Make me a person who longs for Your character. Please help me avoid decisions based on holiness without love, grace or truth.

**OUR MISSIONARIES**

**Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family**  
 Serving in Uganda  
 Email: [jshaarda@crcnapartners.org](mailto:jshaarda@crcnapartners.org)  
 Blog: <http://shaarda.blogspot.com>

**George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family**  
 Serving in Ukraine & the U.S.  
 Email: [gdevuyst@crcna.org](mailto:gdevuyst@crcna.org)  
 Website: <http://www.devuysts.com>

**OUR ACIVE MILITARY**

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

**OUR CHURCH WEEK: AUGUST 21-27**

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| <b>SUN</b> 8/21 | 9:15 AM  | A time of prayer in the prayer room |
|                 | 9:30 AM  | Morning Worship Service             |
|                 | 10:40 AM | Ministry Sign-up Sundays (week 1)   |
| <b>WED</b> 8/24 | 7:00 PM  | Prayer Meeting                      |

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**TODAY: Ministry Sign-up Sundays- August 21 & 28** 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. We encourage you to prayerfully consider how you can serve at Highland Church.

**Next Sunday**, we plan to celebrate the infant baptism of **Stevie Powers**, daughter of Cory & Makayla Powers.

**Next Sunday -Highland Church Picnic:** We are looking forward to an awesome time of fellowship once again at this year's church picnic! We hope to be celebrating the building debt being paid! The plan is for games and activities to start at 4:00, and dinner at 5:00, with the corn-hole tournament and kid's water slide to follow. We will provide meatballs, dinner rolls, drinks and table service. Please bring a dish to pass.



**FINAL WAVE** 

We started this campaign the beginning of June with a goal of raising \$55,000 to pay off the remaining balance of our New Building loan.

Our August 14 offering brought in over \$13,000.

We still need **\$4,000** yet to pay off the remaining New Building debt.

Please prayerfully consider any final contributions, so we can reach our goal by **August 28!**

Additional envelopes are on the information table.