#### NURSERY:

Oct 31	31 Melissa Oeverman, Ruth Kulhawick, Kendyn Meyering Emma Oeverman, Nicole Schultz, Maggie Southwick	
Nov 7	ov 7 Karianne Smith, Donna Veddler, Esther Bode, Leah Thompson, Diane Nemeth, Bev Taylor	
Nov 14	Jodi DeHate, Barb Dore, Evan Wemple Tami Eisenga, Mya Eisenga, Jodi Meyering	
Nov 21	Nov 21 Mikayla Powers, Mary Rees, Karsyn Meyering Lindsay Beerens, Bev Taylor, Harper Tossey	

#### LITTLE LAMBS / CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:

Oct 31	B1 LL Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helper: Leah Thompson CIW Teacher: Nicole Koetje: Helper: Linda Ellens	
Nov 7	LL Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helper: Teacher CIW Teacher: Hillary Dracht; Helper: Linda Wing	
Nov 14	14 LL Teacher: Nicole Schultz; Helper: Addean Oeverman CIW Teacher: Anne Thomas; Helper: Karsyn Meyering	
Nov 21	LL Teacher: Makayla Powers; Helper: Harper Tossey CIW Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helper: Karianne Smith	

#### SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT:

Oct 31	Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga	
Nov 7	Kyle Meyering, Deb Eisenga, Jodi DeHate	
Nov 14	Matt Thompson, Jonathan Ouwinga, Deb Eisenga	
Nov 21 Matt Thompson, Roger Hagerman, Tami Eisenga		

#### **OFFERINGS:**

- 3: Booster Club R
- B 10: New Building Fund
- CTO 17: Feeding America
- 24: Oasis Family Resource Center
- Õ **31:** Friends Ministry

7<sup>th</sup> Booster Club NOVEMBER 14<sup>th</sup> New Building 21<sup>st</sup> Benevolence 25<sup>th</sup> Food Pantry Collection (for Thanksgiving) 28<sup>th</sup>: George & Sarah de Vuyst

#### **USHERS:**

October: Ryan McQuestion, Paul Shaarda, Brandon Veddler, Phil VanAssche November: Kevin Eisenga, Mike Pluger, Al Thomas, Adam Southwick

\*\*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!



## **OCTOBER 31, 2021** 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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**Rev. Neil Jasperse** Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:50 AM

## MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30 AM Highland Christian Reformed Church October 31, 2021

#### The People of God Gather:

Call to worship- from Psalm 95:6-7 Welcome God's greeting: Greeting one another

#### To Praise God:

Your Name (vs. 1-2) 1 Corinthians 1:18 The Old Rugged Cross (vs. 1-3) Prayer of praise

#### To Pray and Serve God:

Announcements: Congregational prayer, ended by reciting the Lord's Prayer together

### To Proclaim God's Word:

Children's message: Megan Pluger Song of preparation: *Breathe on Me, Breath of God (vs. 1-2)* Bible reading: **Matthew 17:14-18; Ephesians 4:1-6** Message: **Bear With One Another** Prayer of response Song of response: *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee (vs. 1-3)* Offering: 1<sup>st</sup>: General Fund, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Friends Ministry (please remain seated during the song of response and offering)

## To Partake in the Lord's Supper:

The preparation The Apostle's Creed (recited together) The song of preparation: *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (vs. 1-3)* The celebration

#### To Go in God's Name:

God's blessing: Parting song: *To God Be the Glory* Postlude

2021 COUNCIL					
ecutive. Board: * Church Office (231) 825-2171					
District	Deacons				
#1, A-C	Gary Hesselink				
#2, D-E	Greg Tossey *Sec. of Deac.				
#3, F-L	Tom Ouwinga *V.T.				
#4, M-O	Dan Villwock				
#5, P-T	Doug Mitchell				
#6, V-Z	Adam Swiler				
	District   #1, A-C   #2, D-E   #3, F-L   #4, M-O   #5, P-T				

**PASTORAL CARE VISITS:** If you would appreciate a pastoral visit for whatever reason, please contact your district elder or Pastor Neil via Sara Bruno in the church office by calling (231) 825-2171. To reach Pastor Neil directory, his email is npjasperse@gmail.com.

# Our Fall Congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>

immediately following the morning worship service. It is our belief that as stewards of Christ, it is our responsibility to encourage full participation of members in the life of the church. We will be voting on the 2022 Budget and electing 3 new Elders and 3 new Deacons to sit on council through the coming term. **Candidates for Elder:** Paul Shaarda, Jon Dracht, Don Eisenga, Don Ellens, Bob Lee and Den Kamphouse. **Candidates for Deacon:** Kasey Rees, Devon Dracht, Jonathon Ouwinga, Curt Wemple, Scott Oeverman, and David Wing. <u>\*\*Please check your mailboxes for</u> details on the new **"Blended Process of Election"** which will combine voting and drawing lots.

#### CHURCH OFFICE

(231) 825-2171 office@highlandcrc.org **Office Hours:** Monday (11/01): Closed Tues-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**

**Service Team Request:** We have been asked to form a small "team" of people to fill bags of food for kids at the Marion Elementary School for their "Grub to Go" weekend food program. The time commitment would be approximately one time per month for a couple hours on a Friday morning. For more information, please contact Carrie Thompson.

**Project Christmas Shoebox** -Its time again to start gathering and collecting items for shoeboxes again! There is a table in the fellowship hall with the boxes and list of supplies and materials you will need to fill and send your shoeboxes.

### New this year:

- We will partnering with our SUNDAY SCHOOL this year for gathering donations and having a PACKING PARTY.
- Please drop off any donations at the table. We will be accepting monetary donations as well if you want us to shop for you or if you want to give money to help with shipping costs.

## Shipping & Drop-off Info:

- The costs of shipping the shoeboxes is \$9 per shoebox just a reminder--due to new custom regulations, toothpaste and candy of any kind is NOT allowed in the shoeboxes.
- The National Collection Week will be November 15th-22th. We will post bulletin updates as to the last date for pick up and will place posters around church as well. Once the shoeboxes are collected Becky Wemple will be able to deliver the shoeboxes to the Regional Drop-off Center in Tustin. If you have any questions or concerns please call Becky Wemple at (231) 878-0670. Thanks in advance for your donations and willingness to participate in this great opportunity to share God's word all over the world!

Northern Michigan Christian School DUTCH FOOD MARKET SALE –Going on NOW!!! This is our pre K –12th grade fund raiser which helps provide for class-room technology, playground equipment, the Accelerated Reader Program, field trips, and much more. We are selling: Bakery Style Almond Banket pastry (\$8), famous NMCS Cinnamon Rolls (\$8/half dozen), tin of Dutch Wilhelmina Peppermints (\$10/17.6 oz). We are taking orders until November 3. Dates to pick up your products will be posted in the Comet Connection. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help prepare and package cinnamon rolls! If you are able and willing, please call Lori or Diane at 825-2492.

## Title: "Bear With One Another"

## Text: Matthew 17:14-18; Ephesians 4:1-6

Introduction: What do these situations all require?

- 1) Biblical background:
  - a) The church in Ephesus was very diverse
  - b) Unity in such diversity is a challenge
  - c) Bearing with one another is a key to unity
  - d) Greek word: hold yourself upright; don't get bent out of shape

SERMON OUTLINE

- 2) A contemporary analogy: oil for an engine
- 3) Forbearance: an attribute of God
  - a) God showed forbearance with the Israelites
  - b) Jesus showed forbearance with his disciples
- 4) Forbearance doesn't come easy
- 5) Two important questions:
  - a) What kinds of things are we to bear with?
  - b) Is there a limit to forbearance?

## Conclusion

## Notes:

- Nursery is available in the basement for children ages infant-3 years old.
- **Children's Church:** Little Lambs is available for ages 3-4 and Children in Worship is for ages 5-Kindergarten. A parent/guardian must pick them up from their classrooms in the basement 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 the following Monday afternoon from the office.

#### PRAYER CORNER

#### "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." ~ Isaiah 41:10

We lift up in prayer those that need healing: Please pray for Ruth Jasperse, Ken VanPolen, Dick Bruno, 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.

## Prayer Corner Updates:

Military

Carol Niver would appreciate our prayers for continued strength through each day.

Dick Bruno is still struggling with a lot of pain which makes it difficult to get around.

## DAILY PRAYER FOCUS

"Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, 'This is the way; walk in it." –Isaiah 30:21

Holy Spirit, you are my guide. I need to hear your voice. I have decisions to make about \_\_\_\_\_\_. Please make clear to me which way to go so that God's will is done and He is glorified and honored by my choice.

Missions	Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family	George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family	
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## **OUR CHURCH WEEK: OCTOBE 31 – NOVEMBER 6**

<b>SUN</b> 10/31	9:15 AM	A time of prayer in the prayer room	
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service	
	10:45 AM	Brief Council Meeting	
	10:50 AM	Sunday School & Catechism	
	4:30 PM	Mark Manuscript Study (Session #5)	
<b>MON</b> 11/01	6:30-8:30 PM	Council & Staff Dinner (fellowship hall)	
<b>WED</b> 11/03	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study –Lesson 7	
	6:30 PM	Family Dinner	
	7:00 PM	Family Night (Centershot & GEMS)	
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting	
THUR-SAT 11/04-11/06	Fellowship hall closed for carpet cleaning		

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Study- This year, the group is looking at a study titled, *"I AM -Discovering Who Jesus Is"*. This week we will be looking at lesson 7.

**Family Night Dinner** will begin at 6:30 pm this Wednesday. This week our menu features homemade french toast. GEMS, Centershot and Prayer Meeting will follow at 7:00 pm.

Attention Parents of school-age youth: Please remind your child(ren) that the wheel chairs and elevator are not for their entertainment. Wheel chairs are to remain upstairs by the north entrance for those needing mobility assistance.

**Our MOPS** group has a food sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for their next meeting. Our goal is to bless these moms with a hot meal they don't have to cook themselves and to show we appreciate them.

Youth Group Leaders for small and large Group settings are still needed. There is minimal prep required. Please contact Megan Pluger or Shari Benthem.

Little Lambs and Children in Worship We still need one more teacher and 2 more helpers. Please contact Anne Thomas or the church office if you are willing to help.

**Service Team Update:** We have had many members indicate that they would be willing to help with yard work, wood cutting, garden clean up, general home upkeep, etc. and also offering rides to/from medical appointments. Please let Carrie Thompson know if you need any assistance in these areas!