NURSERY:

Dec 13	Julie Dorman, Bev Kamphouse, Amy Eisenga Kasey McQuestion, Shari Benthem, Jayden Benthem
Dec 20	Anne Thomas, Charlotte Thomas, Emerson Tossey Karen Oeverman, Franklin Baas, Becky Wemple
Dec 24	Kendyn Meyering, Diane Eisenga, Megan Benthem,
(Christmas Eve)	Melissa Oeverman, Emma Oeverman, Sue Cook
Dec 27	Christina Dodde, Caitlin Dodde, Nicole Schultz Linda Ellens, Maggie Southwick, Esther Bode

LITTLE LAMBS; CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:

Dec 13	LL Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helper: Steph VanHouten CIW Teacher: Anne Thomas; Helper: Addean Oeverman
Dec 20	LL Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helpers: Isaac Baas/Harper Tossey CIW Teacher: Lindsay Beerens; Helper: Amanda Lee
Dec 27	LL Teacher: Maggie Southwick; Helper: Sam VanHouten CIW Teacher: Al Thomas; Helper: Kendyn Meyering

SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:

Dec 13	Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Tam Eisenga
Dec 20	Kyle Meyering, Roger Hagerman, Jodi DeHate
Dec 24 (Christmas Eve)	Al Baas, Roger Hagerman, Deb Eisenga
Dec 27	Cary Sikkema, Dan Ouwinga, Sue Cook

OFFERINGS:

6: Booster Club
13: New Building
20: New Hope Shelter
27: Existing Building
3: Booster Club
10: New Building
17: Love INC
24: Life Resource
31: Benevolence

USHERS:

December: Phil VanAssche, Kevin Eisenga, Mike Pluger, Adam Southwick **January:** Lars Fredin, Kyle Veltema, Mike Southwick, Adam Swiler

**If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, please find your own replacement. If you need assistance with phone numbers, please call the church office (231) 825-2171.

Thank you!



HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

December 13, 2020

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

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30 AM Highland Christian Reformed Church December 13, 2020

Today we welcome Rev. Rod Kamrath as he leads our worship this morning.

Prelude

Welcome & Greeting

"Angels from the realms of Glory"

Advent Reading –Week 3: Frank & Henry Baas

"Joy to the World"

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"

The Ten Commandments

Congregational Prayer / the Lord's Prayer

Children's Message

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

Scripture: Luke 3:1-14

Sermon Title: "The Unexpected Message of Christmas"

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Blessing

"Oh For A Thousand Tongues"

Postlude

Copies of Today's Service:

- **Live Videos** of our service will begin streaming at 9:20 am each Sunday on our Facebook page (public). A link to our Facebook page is available alongside our weekly online bulletins.
- **Video recordings on USB** are available for sign-out at the sound booth each Sunday. Please call Sara in the church office if you need a **DVD** made of a service. These can be made available upon request by Monday afternoon.

Today's Offerings:

1st: General Fund

2nd: New Building

Tithe & Offering boxes are next to the information table in the fellowship hall.

PASTORAL CARE:

Exec. Board: *

Bob Vennema

Dale Fredin *Pres.

Al Thomas *Clerk

Ken Roede *V.P.

Larry Witt

Chad Dodde

Elders

2020 Council

Deacons

Gary Hesselink

Dan Villwock

Larry Sikkema

Rvan McQuestion

Tom Ouwinga *V.T.

Kyle Meyering *Sec. of Deac.

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#3, F-L

#4, M-O

#5, P-T

#6, V-Z

920-5032

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878-6468

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878-3164

If you have any pastoral care questions or prayer requests, please contact your district elder or the church office.

CHURCH OFFICE:

(231) 825-2171
office@highlandcrc.org
Office Hours: Monday – Thursday
8:30 AM – 2:00 PM
**Bulletin announcements <u>MUST</u> be in by
NOON on Thursday. Thank you!

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS:

Care & Share Team (Cindy Vennema)

Church Office(231) 825-2171

388-2661

846-6075

878-0468

846-1044

920-5248

590-8012

Education Team (Mary Rees)

Facilities Team (Rick Dorman)

Prayer Team (Sandy Rice)

Safe Church Team (Linda Wing)

Safety Team (James Bazuin

Service Team (Julie Dorman)

Worship Team (Jodi Meyering)

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PRAYER CORNER

Let us then 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

Dear Heavenly Father, please be with Ken VanPolen, Pearl Koetje, Carol Niver, Steve Sluiter, Marilyn Ouwinga, and Dale Wing. Bless each of them in ways only you can do. Give them the healing and the patience they need.

• Dale Wing is done with radiation and begins chemo on December 14th.

ADVENT CHALLENGE - WEEK 3

Let's Live Out God's Word Together:

Christmas is such a great time to open our hearts and give—well, any time is a great time for that! See if you can find a person or family in need and then do something special for them to help them feel God's love at Christmas. When you give to them, you'll be giving to Jesus!

OUR MISSIONARIES:

Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family Serving in Uganda

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

George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family Serving in Ukraine

Email: gdevuyst@crcna.org
Website: http://www.devuysts.com

*CURRENTLY SERVING IN OUR MILITARY:

Tyler* Bode

(Senior Airman, Air Force) Davis Monthan Airforce Base, Tucson, AZ

Caleb* Dodde

(Private, Army Reservist)

OUR CHURCH WEEK: DECEMBER 13-19

SUN 12/13	9:15 AM	A time of prayer in the prayer room
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	10:50 AM	Sunday School
	5:00 PM	Fellowship Bible Study –Lesson 4
TUE 12/15	7:00 PM	MOPS Steering Team Mtg. in YB
WED 12/16	6:30 PM	Family Night Dinner
	7:00 PM	Family Night (GEMS, Centershot,
	7:00 PM	Extreme)
		Prayer Meeting
THURS 12/17	7:00 PM	JUMP Practice
SAT 12/19	Fellowship	Hall & Youth Building Use

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, we welcome Rev. Rod Kamrath as he leads our morning worship service.

Note from Council: We will be restarting all church youth programming (Nursery, Children's Church, Sunday school, Catechism, etc.) this Sunday. Going forward, we will continue to offer all church programming as long as we have church. All adult programming will be at the discretion of the leaders. If you have any questions, please contact your district elder.

Tonight at 5:00 PM: Fellowship Bible Study will be looking at Lesson 4 of their 6-week study "Advent of the Savior".

We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper in 2 weeks on December 27th. This year has been nothing short of life-shaking, but through it all we still have salvation through Christ. Let us come before him with open hearts as we remember the ultimate gift that God gave us. His son, Jesus Christ.

Family Night is back! –Dinner will start at 6:30 pm with Youth ministries starting at 7:00 PM. This week's menu will be pizza and Christmas cookies. If you would be willing to make 2 dozen Christmas cookies for our family night dinner, please signup in the fellowship hall. Please drop off cookies in the church kitchen by 6:00 PM Wednesday.

Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will begin at 6:00 PM. Rev. Ron Klimp will lead this special service. Nursery will be provided. Battery operated candles will be available and recommended for small children.

Project "Angle Tree": Highland's Service Team has paired up with DHS to "adopt" families that need some help this Christmas. Several of the kids on the "Angel Tree" (located in the fellowship hall) are teens which can be difficult to buy for as it's hard to know what they already have and what they might enjoy. It is totally acceptable to give a gift card and let them pick out their own gift after Christmas. The parents/guardians of these teens have agreed to get them to a store where the gift card will be used appropriately! If you plan to buy for a child on the Angel Tree, please plan to spend approximately \$50, getting 1-2 wants, 1-2 needs off their list. The wrapped gifts need to be returned to church by December 19th so they can be distributed to families the week of Christmas. We are also looking for a used gaming system (preferably with controllers and a few games) for a family that has an 8 year old and a 9 year old. We also have a family that needs a used washer/dryer set. If you have any you would like to donate or any questions, please contact either Julie Dorman or Carrie Thompson. Thank you!

Wexford/Missaukee Project Christmas -Since 1989, Project Christmas has been bringing Christmas to folks that otherwise may not be able to provide gifts and a special meal for their family. If you can help with a donation, your time, or if you know of someone who could use help, please check out their website, https://projectchristmaswexmiiss.org or find them on their Facebook page. In Wexford Co., please call 231-779-5205; in Missaukee Co. please call 231-839-8816. "Our mission is to share the spirit of Christmas and community caring with those in need through a collaborative, community-wide effort."

The Poinsettias at the front of church have been placed in loving memory of those who are forever in our hearts:

John Dracht Sr.
Josie Thompson
Jake and Joe Eisenga
Henry & Reka Eisenga
June & Ada Oeverman
John & Sara Ouwinga
Nannie & Cornelia Bouma

Jerry Eisenga Whip Koetje Dick Dorman Bob Dore Darryl Baas Sid Ouwinga Dick Hendricks Ralph & Marie Brinks
Hilda & Elton Sikkema
John & Anne Vennema
Adrian & Freda Kamphouse
Sietse & Johanna Ouwinga
Gerrit & Emma Hendricks
Nellie Bouma Hendricks