

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

NURSERY

- Dec 25*** Mikayla Powers, Lindsay Beerens, Jackie Schmid, Franklin Baas
Jan 1* Deborah Ouwinga, Megan Plugger, Melissa Oeverman, Emerson Tossey
Jan 8 Cindy Vennema, Patti Koop, Lizelle Bazuin, Franklin Baas
Jan 15 Bev Kamphouse, Kasey McQuestion, Shari Benthem, Kendyn Meyering

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

- Dec 25*** No Children’s Church
Jan 1* No Children’s Church
Jan 8 Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helpers: Lindsay Beerens, Kendyn Meyering
Jan 15 Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helpers: Jordyn Richardson, Gracyn Swiler

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

- Dec 25*** Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
Jan 1* Matt Thompson, Roger Hagerman, Jodi DeHate
Jan 8 Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Kendra Jenema
Jan 15 Matt Thompson, Jonathan Ouwinga, Deb Eisenga

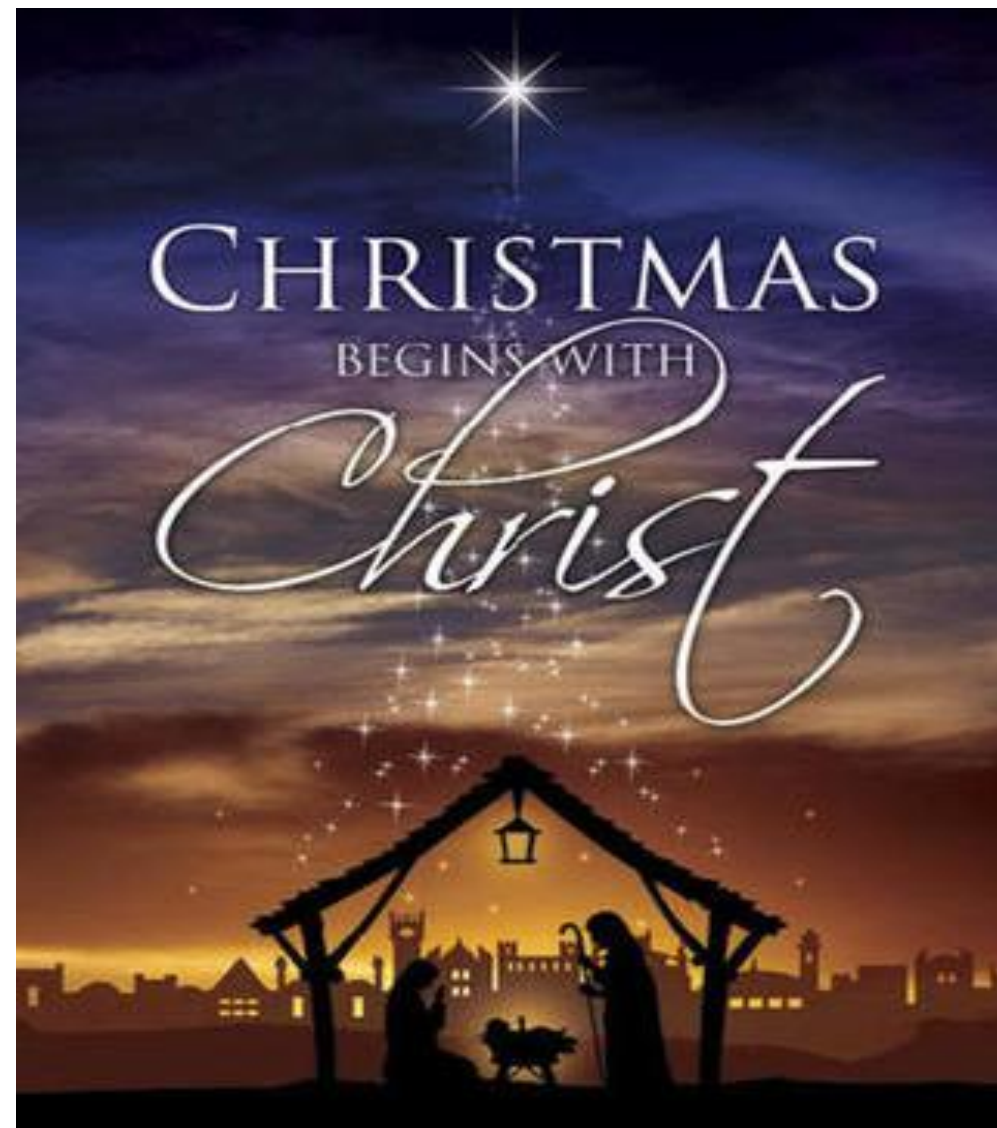
2ND OFFERINGS

- | December: | January: |
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| 4 th – Booster Club | 1 st – Booster Club |
| 11 th – Benevolence | 8 th – Building & Maintenance Fund |
| 18 th – Freedom Summit Adventures
(former name: Created Free) | 15 th – Life Resources |
| 25 th – World Renew | 22 nd – Marion Food Pantry |
| | 29 th – Friends Ministry |

USHERS

- December:** Scott Oeverman, Todd Oeverman, Jun Brinks, Larry Visser
January: Jerry Nemeth, Jim Ouwinga, Dale Taylor, Aaron Plugger

****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!**



Highland Christian Reformed Church

“Striving to be the heart and hands of Jesus”

December 25, 2022

Rev. Mark Bonnes & Rev. Ashley Bonnes

office@highlandcrc.org
www.highlandcrc.org

Sunday Worship 9:30 AM
Sunday School 10:50 AM (Sept-May)

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

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
December 25, 2022

Christmas Day

Lighting the Christ Candle

*Reading of John 1: 1-14 –Pastor Mark & Pastor Ashley
What Child is This? (vs 1 & 3)

Welcome

God's Greeting

Greet One Another

Joy to the World (1, 2 & 4)

O Come, All Ye Faithful (vs 1, 3 & 4)

Prayer of Praise

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Children's Message –Pastor Ashley

Song of Preparation: *Angels We Have Heard on High (vs 1-3)*

Scripture: **Genesis 3: 22-23 & John 1:14**

Sermon Title: **Emmanuel: God with Us**

Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory: *Go, Tell it on the Mountain*

Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: World Renew

God's blessing

Closing Song: *Hark the Herald Angels Sing (vs 1-3)*

Postlude

Our **nursery** is available downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old.
****Children's Church** is available downstairs for children ages 3 - Kindergarten
immediately following the Children's Message.

HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Officers for 2022:

(All have a 231 area code unless otherwise noted)

President	Jon Dracht
Vice President	Jerry Koop, Jr.
Clerk	Ken Meyering
Sec. of Deacons	Greg Tossey
Vice Treas.	Kasey Rees

<p>Pastors: Rev. Mark Bonnes Rev. Ashley Bonnes</p> <p>*Please call the church office for contact info.</p>
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Districts for 2022:

Elders	District	Deacons
Den Kamphouse	#1, A-C	David Wing
Dale Fredin: Adjunct Elder	#2, D-E	Greg Tossey
Ken Meyering	#3, F-L	Devon Dracht
Paul Shaarda	#4, M-O	Kasey Rees
Jerry Koop, Jr.	#5, P-T	Doug Mitchell
Bryan Eisenga	#6, U-Z	Adam Swiler
Ken Roede: Adjunct Elder		Church Office 825-2171

Important Upcoming Dates:

January 8: Installation of Elders and Deacons

January 9: Next Council Meeting

January 15: Communion

<p><u>Church Office</u> (231) 825-2171 office@highlandcrc.org Mon 12/26-Tues. 12/27: CLOSED Wed-Thurs: 8:30 am-2:00 pm Fri-Sun:CLOSED **All bulletin content is due by noon on Thursdays**</p>
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<p><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>

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

Cookbooks available by the church office. These make great gifts that keep giving all year long!

- **Community Hope presents "Taste Tested Hometown Cooking"** -A great collection of favorite recipes from 14 Missaukee County churches! Your purchase of a book will provide food for someone's table through the local distributions in Lake City, McBain and Falmouth. Each cookbook is \$20. Checks can be made payable to **Community Hope** and given to the church office or mailed to Community Hope, P.O. Box 265, Lake City MI 49651. Please write cookbook on the memo line.
- **Taste of Highland CRC Centennial Cookbooks** are also available for \$5 each near the church office.

Northern Michigan Christian School is seeking Lead Teachers & Classroom Aides for the following areas:

- Lead Young 5's Teacher: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday - starts 1/2/22
- Young 5's Classroom Aide: Tuesday and Thursday - starts 1/3/22
- 2 Summer Care Lead Teachers: Monday through Friday - starts summer '23
- Lead Teacher & Classroom Aide for After School Care: 2:30 - 5:15 daily during the school year.

Preferred requirements for Lead Teachers: Obtained or pursuing a CDA or an associate degree in Early Childhood or Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood or a related field. Please send resumes to Scott Curell at scurell@nmcs.us. For additional information, please call (231) 825-2492.

Vogel Center CRC is hosting a weekly Grief Share support group beginning on Saturday, January 7, 2023 at 9AM through April 1, 2023. This group will offer help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend. More information or questions can be directed to the Vogel CRC office at (231) 825-2053.

REV Moms' 4th Annual Craft Day Retreat -Treat yourself to some "Me Time" from 8am - 8pm on February 25, 2023. Join us for a well-deserved day of crafting & self-care! Whether you scrapbook, sew, quilt, knit, make jewelry, or assemble photo books from your phone or laptop, etc...., we have a spot for you! We'll feed you 3 amazing meals with snacks and drinks, provide local music, giveaways, quiet rooms and gentle yoga. Price is \$30 for a half day or \$45 for the whole day.

PRAYER CORNER

✚ We lift up in prayer those that need healing: **Amanda Lee, Bonnie Veddler, Dick Bruno, Carol Niver, Bruce Vennema and Mary Jo Lee.**

✚ **LaRue Johnson** and her family would appreciate your continued prayers as she was expected to have a pacemaker put in this past Friday, in Traverse City. Please pray for healing and renewed strength following the procedure.

DAILY PRAYER FOCUS

King of Kings and Lord of Lords: "All honor and praise be to You, my God, 'the blessed and only Ruler, the King or kings and Lord or lords, who along is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light.'" (1 Timothy 6:15)

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

Prayer Resource: If you did not receive a copy of "Prayers to Start Your Day" and would like one, there are additional copies still available for you on the Prayer Table and the Information Table.

The December Newsletter from George and Sarah de Vuyst is now available near the Missionary bulletin board in the east wing.

OUR MISSIONARIES

*Contact the office for mailing addresses

George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family

Serving in Ukraine & the U.S.

Email: gdevuyst@crcna.org

Website: <http://www.devuysts.com>

Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family

Serving in Uganda

Email: jshaarda@crncpartners.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: DECEMBER 25-31

SUN 12/25	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 11-5:00 PM	Prayer Morning Worship Service YB Use
MON 12/26	----	Office Closed
TUES 12/27	---- ----	Office Closed No REV Moms
WED 12/28	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Installation Sunday for Elders and Deacons has been scheduled for January 8th.

Communion- We have the honor of celebrating the Lord's Supper on January 15th. If you or a loved one of Highland are homebound but would still like to take part in Communion, please contact one of the elders or the church office so this can be arranged.

The Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda) will begin a new study on the Apostles' Creed starting January 11 at 9:30 am. If you are interested in joining this next study, please contact Hilda Cruz for a book.

The Service Team has started planning for the holiday and winter season. Over the next couple months, we will be gathering the following items to disperse to area agencies. All of the donations can be placed on the table in the east wing. Any questions, please contact Carrie Thompson.

- **Month of January:** Paper products (paper towels, toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, disinfectant wipes, etc.).

Modified Office Hours the week of 12/25: The church office will be closed on Monday, December 26 and Tuesday, December 27. Bulletin announcements for January 1 will still need to be turned in to the office before noon on Thursday, December 29.

Save the Date: Highland Hymn-sing: The Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study invites you to a night of song on Sunday, January 22, 2023 at 5:00 pm followed by a time of fellowship and a light supper.

Lost & Found:

- Missing: Men's black jacket, size L, last seen on 12/11. If found, please bring it to the church office.
- Please take a moment to check our lost and found shelf (above the north entrance coat racks) for any items that might be yours. Please do not use those shelves for storage as we wish to avoid further clutter.

World Renew: Please consider giving a gift to World Renew this Christmas season! There are 3 simple ways you can give: visit worldrenew.com/gifts, call 800-552-7972 or mail the completed form (found in the back of the catalog) and your check to World Renew, 8970 Byron Commerce Dr., Byron Center, MI 49315. To register to volunteer, call 800-848-5818. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Dracht.

Northern Michigan Christian School invites you to "**A Night in the Galaxy**" Preschool – 12th Grade Open House, Thursday, January 12 from 4:30-6:00 PM. This will be an interactive night for prospective families to explore our Preschool - 12th grade classrooms. Guests will also receive FREE admission to the Boys' Basketball game and FREE concession vouchers for the evening. Please visit www.nmcs.us for more information.

The Poinsettias in the Sanctuary were placed in Loving Memory of:

Josie Thompson	Tom Boven	Adrian & Freda Kamphouse
Brenda VanHouten	Dave Westmaas	Seitse & Johana Ouwinga
John Dracht Sr.	Bill Dracht	John & Sara Ouwinga
Dick Dorman	Marve Veddler	Sid & Marilyn Ouwinga
Sid Sikkema	Ken Martin Jr.	Ralph & Marie Brinks
Peter Sikkema	Anna VanPolen	Hank & Reka Eisenga
Duane Sikkema	Al & Tina Medendorp	John & Ann Venema
Whip Koetje	Elton & Hilda Sikkema	