Kerwin & Sally Huttenga Sam & Stephanie VanHouten Feb 23 Bryan & Diane Eisenga Al & Anne Thomas March 1 Greg & Laura Hesselink Pearl Koetje March 8 March 15 Virginia Dodde Al & Dana Baas **NURSERY:** Thank you! Ruth Kulhawick. Sue Cook. Christina Dodde Feb 23 Nicole Schultz, Sheri Fiet, Caitlin Dodde ...to everyone who serves Maggie Southwick, Karianne Smith, Donna Veddler March 1 either up front Esther Bode, Leah Thompson, Diane Nemeth or behind the Tami Eisenga, Mya Eisenga, Jodi Meyering scenes each March 8 Karsyn Meyering, Barb Dore, Cindy Vennema week in helping Patti Koop, Lizelle Bazuin, Aubrynn Bazuin to further the

South Door

kingdom of God!

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP - LITTLE LAMBS:

North Door

GREETERS:

March 15

Feb 23

Communion Sunday: No Children's Church CIW: Teacher: Karen Oeverman; Helper: Addean Oeverman March 1 LL: Teacher: Nicole Koetje & Kendyn Meyering/Linda Wing CIW: Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helper: Esther Bode March 8 LL: Teacher: Kaylie Hiller; Helper: Makayla Powers CIW: Teacher: Marilyn Visser; Helper: Karsyn Meyering March 15 LL: Teacher: Anne Thomas; Helpers: Emma Oeverman/Kassie Sikkema

Julie Dorman, Bev Kamphouse, Amy Eisenga

SOUND SYSTEM. VIDEO. POWERPOINT:

Cary Sikkema, Al Fox, Tana VanPolen Feb 23 Kyle Meyering, Paul Rivera, Tami Eisenga March 1 Al Baas, Dan Ouwinga, Sue Cook March 8

March 15 Matt Thompson, Roger Hagerman, Deb Eisenga

1st: Booster Club 2nd: Booster Club FEBRUARY OFFERING: MARCH OFFERING: 9th: New Building 8th: New Building **16th:** Mississippi Trip 15th: Extreme 23rd: George & Sarah DeVuyst 22nd: Benevolence **29th:** Existing Building

FEBRUARY USHERS: Dale Bode, Kyle Veltema, Mike Southwick, Adam Swiler MARCH USHERS: Den Kamphouse, Ryan McQuestion, Paul Shaarda, Phil VanAssche

Note: If you are unable to make it on your Sunday, please find your own replacement or call the office for assistance. If you do make changes, please let the office know so we can post those changes as well.



HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

February 23, 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.

9034 23 Mile Rd. • Marion, MI 49665 (231) 825-2171

Email: office@highlandcrc.org

Morning Worship: 9:30 AM Sunday school for all ages: 10:50 AM Website: www.highlandcrc.org

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30 AM Highland Christian Reformed Church

February 23, 2020

Prelude

Welcome & Greeting

"Days of Elijah"

Communion

Bread: "Jesus Draw Me Ever Nearer"

Juice: "O Come to the Alter"

Congregational Prayer

Offering: "Living Hope"

1st General Fund; 2nd: George & Sarah DeVuyst

Children's Message

Scripture: Luke 16:19-31

Sermon Title: "A Good Broken Heart"

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

Blessing

Postlude

Children's Church: Children are welcome to attend Children in Worship (preschool and kindergarten) and Little Lambs (3-4 yrs. Non-preschool) programs. They leave the sanctuary and go down the NORTH stairs to the basement. You may pick them up there after the morning service. Please note, there will be no Children's Church next Sunday, February 23, as we will be celebrating Communion.

Fellowship: Everyone is invited to refreshments in the Fellowship Hall following the morning service. **DVD:** If anyone would like to see a video from a past church service, they are in the rack on the information table. The most current service is at the bottom of the rack.

COUNCIL CORNER

2020 Council				
Exec. Board: *	Rev. Dr. Gregory J. Kett *	825-2171 Church Office		
Elders		Deacons		
Bob Vennema	District #1, A-C	Gary Hesselink		
Dale Fredin *Pres.	District #2, D-E	Kyle Meyering *Sec. of Deac.		
Al Thomas *Clerk	District #3, F-L	Tom Ouwinga *V.T.		
Ken Roede *V.P.	District #4, M-O	Dan Villwock		
Larry Witt	District #5, P-T	Larry Sikkema		
Chad Dodde	District #6, V-Z	Ryan McQuestion		

Upcoming Dates: The 2020 Spring Meeting for Classis Northern Michigan will be Tuesday, March 3. Dale Fredin, and Dan Villwock will accompany Pastor Greg.

Pastoral Support:

Pastor Greg Kett (231) 425-8819

Normal Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs: 8:15 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 –2:00 PM Or by appointment as needed. Call anytime.

Youth Director:

Justin Sluiter (231) 825-2171 hcrcstrongtower @gmail.com

Church Office:

Sara Bruno (231) 825-2171 office @highlandcrc.org

Normal Office hours:

Mon-Thurs 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM
**Please have bulletin announcements to
church by Thursdays at 12 pm

Ministry Team Leaders:

Connection Coordinator (Amie Kett)
Care & Share Team (Cindy Vennema)

Prayer Team (Sandy Rice)

Education Team (Mary Rees)

Service Team (Julie Dorman)

Worship Team (Committee)

Facilities Team (Rick Dorman)

Safe Church Team (Linda Wing)

Safety Team (James Bazuin

The McBain Rural Agricultural School District is proud to be opening to doors to a new Early Learning Center in August of 2020. Please assist us with determining needs of the community by taking our survey at https://www.surveymonkey.comk/r/R8Y79T3. In the coming weeks and months more information will be available on our website www.mcbain.com. We strive to give ALL area young children the opportunity for an early childhood education.

CRC of North America's At-home Faith Formation Tip - In "The Common Rule: Habits of Purpose for an Age of Distraction" (2019, IVP books), Justin Whitmel Earley suggests eight habits to shape our days. Daily habits include prayer at morning, midday, and bedtime; one meal with others; one hour with phone off; and Scripture before phone. Weekly habits include one hour of conversation with a friend, curate media to four hours, fast from something for 24 hours, and Sabbath observance. What habits have you chosen to shape your days? (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

Scripture: Luke 16:19-31; Sermon Title: "A Good Broken Heart"

Characteristics of Heaven:

- An unshakable kingdom
- · a gift from Jesus our mediator
- our eternal home
- Fellowship with others
- filled with God's care
- angelic filled joyful worship
- filled with God's elect
- righteous spirits
- members of Jesus' church

Characteristics of Hell:

- Where the fire never goes out
- A place of painful torment
- Where worms don't decay
- Where thirst is not quenched
- A place filled with unrepentant hearts

Notes:

PRAYER CORNER

Dear Heavenly Father, please be with Mary Lou Karsten, Steve Sluiter, Dick Bruno, Marilyn Ouwinga, Dawn Richardson, Mike Dodde and Sarah Dodde. Bless each of them in ways only you can do. Give them the healing and the patience they need and may your light shine on them and through the caregivers you have sent to help. Surround them with your love and comfort. Fill them with the Holy Spirit, that they may be a testimony to your greatness.

Bob Vennema had a total knee replacement this past Tuesday. Please keep Bob and Cindy in your prayers in the upcoming weeks as he begins physical therapy and continues to heal.

Mary Lou Karsten had exploratory back surgery this past Wednesday in Grand Rapids. Please pray for healing and relief from pain.

Pearl Koetje is came home from the hospital this past Tuesday and is doing well.

*Daily Prayer Focus:

~Let us join together in daily prayer for those who are sick. Pray by name for one person or for several people. Maybe even let them know you are praying for them~

"God of hope, please fill _____ with all joy and peace as he/she trusts in You so that they may overflow with hope by the power of Your Spirit.

Thank You, that as they continue to hope in You, they will never be disappointed."

*Material for the Daily Prayer Focus is contributed by the HCRC Prayer team.

OUR MISSIONARIES:

George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family Serving in Ukraine

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

Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family Serving in Uganda

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

*CURRENTLY SERVING IN OUR MILITARY:

Mike* & Dawn (Dodde) Winkle (Master Sargent, Air Force) Spokane, WA

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

Caleb* Dodde (Private, Army Reservist)

OUR CHURCH WEEK: FEBRUARY 23-29

SUNDAY	9:15 AM	Prayer in the Prayer Room
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	10:50 AM	Sunday School, Catechism & Sermon Deep Dive
	4:45 PM	resume
	6:30 PM	Fellowship Bible Study: Lesson 6
		Strong Tower: Regular Meeting
MONDAY	5:45 PM	Men's Yoga
	7:00 PM	Elder's Meeting
TUESDAY	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study
	5:45 PM	MOPS
WEDNESDAY	10:00 AM-1:00	Bounce House Play Date
	PM	Prayer Group
	7:00 PM	
SATURDAY	8:00 AM-8:00 PM	Craft Day Retreat
	1:00-5:00 PM	Crafternoon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we have the privilege of Holy Communion. If you have a relationship with Jesus Christ, and believe he is your Lord and Savior, please join us in celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Thank you – to the wonderful people of Highland for all your prayers, words of sympathy and cards during this time of loss of Jim's son Jimmy. It is so wonderful to be a part of such an awesome loving family. ~Jim & Hilda Cruz

Thank You Al & Dana Baas for hosting the Sunday school sledding party last week and for all your hard work and dedication to our kids and the Sunday school program!

Fellowship Bible Study: Please join us Sunday evenings at 4:45 pm in the fellowship hall as we study together <u>Seven Letters to Seven Churches</u>. This week we will be looking at **lesson 6**.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study –Our lesson this week is HC Lord's Day 36 &37. Please read the following scripture passages as well:

Question 99: Leviticus 24:10-17, Psalm 99:1-5, Psalm 50:14-15 and Colossians 3:17 Question 100: Leviticus 24:10-17,

Question 101: Hebrews 6:16, 1 Kings 1:29-30 and Romans 1:9

Question 102: Romans 9:1 and Matthew 23:16-22

Ladies Book Club –Our next meeting is next Sunday, March 1st from 7 PM - 9 PM at Dana Baas' house. We will be discussing chapters 12 through the end of the book, "Of Mess and Moxy".

CRAFT DAY RETREAT: Do you have a craft project that you want to finish? Or finally start? Bring your supplies to the Craft Day Retreat, Saturday Feb 29, 8AM-8PM. \$45 covers your space to work, 3 meals & 5 raffle tickets. All proceeds support Highland MOPS. Go to eventbrite.com/e/82861790847 or call 231-825-2171 to sign up today! For more information about MOPS go to: facebook.com/highlandcrcmops

CRAFTERNOON: On Saturday February 29 from 1-5PM, spend an afternoon making some awesome projects! Barn Painting with Brushed Blessings \$30, Wood Floral Arrangement \$15, Fleece Tie Pillow \$15, Tassel Earrings \$8 & Necklace \$10. To see pictures of all the projects and to sign up today, go to eventbrite.com/e/82861790847 or call 231-825-2171. All proceeds go to support Highland MOPS. For more information about MOPS check out our Facebook page at facebook.com/highlandcrcmops.

**Have you been heard? Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2020 CRC denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leaders understand the concerns and needs of local churches like ours. It is crucial that as many people from our congregation as possible participate. Please visit www.crcna.org/survey/1249 to answer the survey questions by February 28. Paper copies of the survey are also available in the fellowship hall and need to be completed/mailed out by February 25. If you have any questions or would like the link sent to you via email, please contact Sara in the church office.

Kids Hope Mentors Needed: Marion Schools and Highland CRC are teaming up once again through our Kids Hope program. We are looking for individuals that would like to become mentors. If you would like more information or would like to sign up, please contact Kasey McQuestion. Thank you!

D.R. Mission Trip Supper: The new date to come and enjoy an "all you care to eat" Taco Dinner to benefit the annual junior class Dominican Republic Mission Trip is this Thursday, February 27, from 5:30-7:00 PM in the NMCS Cafeteria. Come to feast with friends old and new as your donations help NMCS Juniors raise money to offset the cost of the building supplies needed for the D.R. projects. This meal is provided on a donation basis, and we appreciate all of your support!

ENCOUNTER Night of Worship -Saturday, March 7th at 7 PM at Dighton Wesleyan Church. How often do we make space to encounter our living God? We'd love to give you a chance to do just that at Encounter. Everyone is invited to a night of intentional worship for all of our surrounding communities. If you have any questions please contact Justin Sluiter!