

<b><u>GREETERS:</u></b>	<u>North Door</u>	<u>South Door</u>
<b>March 15</b>	Virginia Dodde	Al & Dana Baas
<b>March 22</b>	Matt & Carrie Thompson	Steve & Sue Meeuwenberg
<b>March 29</b>	Bonnie Veddler	Kasey & Mary Rees
<b>April 5</b>	Mary Dracht	Dale & Bev Taylor

<b><u>NURSERY:</u></b>	
<b>March 15</b>	Patti Koop, Lizelle Bazuin, Aubrynn Bazuin Shari Benthem, Bev Kamphouse, Amy Eisenga
<b>March 22</b>	Julie Dorman, Karen Oeverman, Megan Benthem Becky Wemple, Franklin Baas, Karianne Smith
<b>March 29</b>	Lindsay Beerens, Diane Eisenga, Melissa Oeverman, Brandy VanPolen, Kaylie Hiller, Aubrey Hiller
<b>April 5</b>	Ruth Kulhawick, Maggie Southwick, Christina Dodde Caitlin Dodde, Nicole Schultz, Courtney Vanderhoef

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP – LITTLE LAMBS:**

<b>March 15</b>	CIW: Teacher: Marilyn Visser; Helper: Karsyn Meyering LL: Teacher: Anne Thomas; Helpers: Emma Oeverman/Kassie Sikkema
<b>March 22</b>	CIW: Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helper: Emma Oeverman LL: Teacher: Amy VanPolen; Helpers: Tana VanPolen/Emerson Tossey
<b>March 29</b>	CIW: Teacher: April Villwock; Helper: Sara Bruno LL: Teacher: Hillary Dracht; Helper: Amanda Lee
<b>April 5</b>	CIW: Teacher: Tiffany Ouwinga; Helpers: Tessa Ouwinga & Mary Rees LL: Teacher: Karianne/Zach Smith; Helper: Linda Ellens

**SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:**

<b>March 15</b>	Matt Thompson, Al Fox, Deb Eisenga
<b>March 22</b>	Kyle Meyering, Roger Hagerman, Tami Eisenga
<b>March 29</b>	Cary Sikkema, Paul Rivera, Tana VanPolen
<b>April 5</b>	Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Sue Cook

<b><u>MARCH OFFERING:</u></b>	<b>1st:</b> Booster Club	<b><u>APRIL OFFERING:</u></b>	<b>5th:</b> Booster Club
	<b>8th:</b> New Building		<b>12th:</b> New Building
	<b>15th:</b> Extreme		<b>19th:</b> Existing Building
	<b>22nd:</b> Benevolence		<b>26th:</b> GEMS
	<b>29th:</b> Existing Building		

**MARCH USHERS:** Den Kamphouse, Ryan McQuestion, Paul Shaarda, Phil VanAssche

**APRIL USHERS:** Jerry Nemeth, Matt Thompson, Kyle Meyering, Ken VanPolen Jr.

***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.***

**Thank you!**  
...to everyone  
who serves  
either up front  
or behind the  
scenes each  
week in helping  
to further the  
kingdom of  
God!



**HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**

**March 15, 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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(231) 825-2171  
Email: office@highlandcrc.org

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

# Prelude

## Welcome & Greeting

*“How Great Thou Art” vs 1 & 3, repeat chorus*

## *“Thy Word”*

# Congregational Prayer

## Offering: “The Wonder of it All”

1<sup>st</sup> General Fund; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Extreme

## Children's Message

Scripture: Mark 1:40-45 (page 1553)

Sermon Title: "Is Jesus Too Busy?"

## *“Jesus Loves Me” vs 1-3*

## Blessing

*“Just a Closer Walk with Thee” vs 1 & refrain*

## 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.*

**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.

2020 Council		
Exec. Board: *	Rev. Dr. Gregory J. Kett *	825-2171 Church Office
<b>Elders</b>		<b>Deacons</b>
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
**Personal phone #'s are not published online. If you need assistance contacting a council member, please call the church office at (231) 825-2171. Thank you.		

**Have a Prayer Request?** If you have a prayer request you would like included in the congregational prayer, please contact your elder or Pastor Greg. You can also submit anonymous congregational prayer requests at any time by texting "HIGHLANDCRC627" to 22333. Once you're signed up, you'll be able to submit prayer requests at any time.

<p><b>Pastoral Support:</b>          Pastor Greg Kett (231) 825-2171  <b>Normal Office Hours:</b>          Mon-Thurs: 8:15 AM – 12:00 PM &amp; 1:00 –2:00 PM          Or by appointment as needed. Call anytime.</p>	<p><b><u>Ministry Team Leaders:</u></b>  <b>Connection Coordinator</b> (Amie Kett)  <b>Care &amp; Share Team</b> (Cindy Vennema)  <b>Prayer Team</b> (Sandy Rice)  <b>Education Team</b> (Mary Rees)  <b>Service Team</b> (Julie Dorman)  <b>Worship Team</b> (Jodi Meyering)  <b>Facilities Team</b> (Rick Dorman)  <b>Safe Church Team</b> (Linda Wing)  <b>Safety Team</b> (James Bazuin)</p>
<p><b>Youth Director:</b>          Justin Sluiter (231) 825-2171 (message)          hcrcstrongtower@gmail.com</p>	
<p><b>Church Office:</b>          Sara Bruno (231) 825-2171          office@highlandcrc.org  <b>Normal Office hours:</b>          Mon-Thurs 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM          **Please have bulletin announcements to church by          Thursdays at 12 pm</p>	

**NMCS ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING—Monday, March 16** At the NMCS Association meeting at 7:00 pm on Monday, March 16, the Board will update you as members on recent Board activities, present the 2020-2021 budget for approval, ask membership to elect board members, and recognize staff for their years of service. If you cannot attend you may submit an absentee ballot by 3pm on March 16. (NOTE: seal and sign an envelope for each person submitting an absentee ballot.)

**CANCELLED**

**NMCS** offers a half day Preschool Program for children 3-4 years old. They also offer a Young Fives full-day program (2-3 days a week) for children 4-5 years old. You are invited to their annual **Early Childhood Open House on Thursday, March 19 from 8:00 am - 6:00 pm**. Stop by any time during those hours to learn more about our programs and allow your child to spend time in the classroom. NMCS is located at 128 S. Martin Street, McBain, MI. If you have questions, feel free to call the school office, 231-825-2492.

**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.com/r/R8Y79T3>. In the coming weeks and months more information will be available on our website [www.mcbain.com](http://www.mcbain.com). We strive to give ALL area young children the opportunity for an early childhood education.

**McBain Elementary Kindergarten Round-Up** has begun! McBain Elementary has an all-day, every day Kindergarten program. If your child will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2020 and wants to attend McBain Elementary School this fall, please call the school office at 231-825-2021 to start the process, or send an email to Mrs. Hill at [marybeth.hill@mcbain.org](mailto:marybeth.hill@mcbain.org). Kindergarten Registration Clinics will be held on Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> and Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, but we need to do pre-registration now. Those that are pre-registered will then receive a packet of information with more details about the clinic, and how to schedule an appointment.

**Notes:**

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## PRAYER CORNER

Dear Heavenly Father, please be with Joe Medendorp, Mary Lou Karsten, Bob Vennema, Pearl Koetje, 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.

**Jerry Koop's dad** fell this week resulting in bleeding on his brain. He has lost some speech as well as movement on his left side. He is currently in the hospital in Florida. Please keep him in your prayers as they work to get him into a rehab facility.

**Joe Medendorp** is overjoyed to be home after his recent quintuple (5) bypass. Please pray for patience and healing during his recovery over the next 3 months.

**Bentley Dracht update:** We join Devon and Hillary in praising God that Bentley has completely recovered from his recent appendectomy and was able to return to school this past week.

**Pearl Koetje update:** Pearl had an echocardiogram this past Thursday. Surgery date for the heart valve replacement is yet to be determined.

### \*Daily Prayer Focus:

*Our prayer focus for the month of March is for those serving in Missions. Let us wrap them in prayer as they work to further the kingdom of God.*

Staff, students and parents will soon be doing mission work in the Dominican Republic. Please pray for incident free and safe travel, health and safety as they serve, and that the Holy Spirit prepares the hearts of those who serve and those who are being served.

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

### OUR MISSIONARIES:

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Serving in Ukraine  
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Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family  
Serving in Uganda  
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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: MARCH 15-21

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9:15 AM</b>	Prayer in the Prayer Room
	<b>9:30 AM</b>	Morning Worship Service
	<b>10:50 AM</b>	Sunday School, Catechism & Sermon Deep Dive
	<b>4:45 PM</b>	Fellowship Bible Study: <b>Study Recap</b>
	<b>5:30-7:30</b>	Small Groups at the Kett's House
	<b>6:30 PM / 7:30 PM</b>	Strong Tower: Small Groups/Regular meeting
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>5:45 PM</b>	Men's Yoga
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	Ladies Bible Study ( <b>see lesson below</b> )
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>6:30PM</b>	Family Night Dinner
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	Youth Ministries (GEMS, Centershot, Extreme)
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	Prayer Group

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Save the Date for April 19<sup>th</sup>:** We want to celebrate! Kathy Vana has recently sustained her classical ordination exam, and she is now a Minister of the Word and Sacrament in the Christian Reformed Church! Her installation service will be here, at Highland Church, on April 19. Come and enjoy.

**Fellowship Bible Study:** This week we will be wrapping up our most book: *Seven Letters to Seven Churches* with a study recap. Join us at 4:45 pm. **Next:** What do you mean when you say "the Apostle's Creed"? Join us **March 29**, at 4:45 pm as we begin a new 6-week bible study on the Apostle's creed.

**March 17<sup>th</sup>: Tuesday Morning Bible Study** –Our lesson this week is **HC Lord's Day 39**. Please read the following scripture verses as well:

- **Question: 104:** Prov. 1:8, 4:1; Eph. 5:21-22 & 6:1-9; Col. 3:18 & 4:1; Prov. 20:20 & 23:22; 1 Peter 2:18; Col. 3:18-21

**Our next Family Night Dinner will be this Wednesday, March 18.** We are looking for 7 volunteers to each bring a 9x13 pan of homemade brownies. There is a sign-up sheet at the information table of the fellowship hall. Thank you!

**You're invited to a "Good Old Fashion Hymn-Sing"** at Highland, next Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM. Join us for a time of singing followed by potluck and fellowship. Songs will be chosen by the audience from the (green) *Great Hymns of the Faith* hymnal.

**Secret Church—Friday, April 24**, Simulcast held at Highland CRC, taught by David Platt. Secret Church is a worldwide event helping churches/small groups/individuals dive deep in an intense time of Bible study and prayer lasting 6+ hours. Highland will be hosting a simulcast of the event: a time of fellowship and worship from 6 PM to 7 PM and joining in on the event from 7 PM - 1 AM! This year's topic: **God, Government, and the Gospel**. If you are interested in attending, please contact Al Thomas or Justin Sluiter.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**It's time for Northern Michigan 3 on 3 basketball tournament.** All players (4th grade through adults) are welcome. The tournament is April 4, 2020 at Northern Michigan Christian School in McBain and is sponsored by the Vogel Center Christian Education club. Entry forms are available at NMCS or local area schools athletic departments. Questions should be sent to sjenema@gmail.com or by leaving a message at 231-825-9819. Entry deadline is March 27, 2020.

CANCELLED

**The AMEN Chorus** will begin practices Saturday, April 4 from 5-7:00 P.M. at Rehoboth Reformed Church in Lucas. We will practice every Saturday evening until the concert which is scheduled for Sunday, May 10 at 3:00. Please bring \$10 to cover the cost of the music to the first rehearsal. If you have any questions, contact Angela Warner at 231-330-0894 or amenchorus.mensgroup@gmail.com.

**"A Walk Through Holy Week" Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:00- 5:30 PM** --People of all ages are invited to walk through the historic events of the week before the first Easter. Join us as we enter the Gates of Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and participate in hands-on activities through Easter morning. Each interactive stop will help you understand the events leading to our Risen Savior on a deeper level. The entire experience will take about 40 minutes, so arrive when it works best for you between 4:00 and 5:30 pm! For more information, contact Rehoboth Reformed Church at (231) 775-7943 or visit [www.rehoboth.church/holy-week.com](http://www.rehoboth.church/holy-week.com).

**Men's Night: Join us at Vogel Center CRC on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6p.m.** for our 3rd annual men's night. This year's speaker is Alan Seaborn (see below) from Winning At Home, a ministry in Zeeland, MI. Tickets are \$15 per seat and seating is limited so you will want to purchase your tickets soon (tickets needed for entry). Contact the church office at 231-825-2053 to arrange to purchase your tickets. Tickets must be purchased by Wednesday, April 1st so we can order the proper amount of food. Dinner begins at 6.

Alan Seaborn is committed to helping bring harmony to parent-child relationships. As a grown son of a family-focused speaking father, Alan is uniquely positioned to get the message out. By sharing stories from Scripture and the world around him, Alan shares about the things that are close to God's heart – our attitudes and the decisions we make – all viewed through the lens of a family relationship. Alan addresses issues like finding common ground, focusing on doing the little things right, and realizing the legacy that we're creating by the choices we're making in the here and now.