

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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am

Jan 12	South: Den & Bev Kamphouse; North: Jon & Michelle Dracht
Jan 19	South: Ken & Jodi Meyering; North: Kevin & Jodi DeHate
Jan 26	South: Curt & Becky Wemple; North: Paul & Jan Rivera
Feb 2	South: Kyle & Abby Meyering; North: Al & Anne Thomas

NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am

Jan 12	Addean Oeverman, Mikayla Powers, Mary Rees, Gracyn Swiler
Jan 19	DaNay Tossey, Bev Taylor, Jackie Schmid, Emma Lee
Jan 26	Megan Plugger, Cindy Vennema, Patti Koop, Penny Bruno
Feb 2	Brooke Benthem, Lizelle Bazuin, Bev Kamphouse, Amara Beerens

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Jan 12	Teacher: Megan Plugger; Helpers: Hillary Dracht, Emma Lee
Jan 19	Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helpers: Sam VanHouten, Charlotte Thomas
Jan 26	Teacher: Miranda Dykhous; Helpers: Nicole Schultz, Gracyn Swiler
Feb 2	Teacher: Jordyn Richardson; Helpers: Lindsay Beerens, Harmony Kirkby

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

Jan 12	Cary Sikkema, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
Jan 19	Kyle Meyering, Kaylie Benthem, Deborah Ouwinga
Jan 26	Cary Sikkema, Jon Ouwinga, Kendra Jenema
Feb 2	Matt Thompson, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga

USHERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am

January	Kevin Huttenga, Den Kamphouse, Butch Karsten, Aaron Koetje
February	Jerry Koop Jr, Joey Kulhawick, Bob Lee, Ryan McQuestion

2ND OFFERINGS:

January:
5th: Booster Club
12th: Project Canefire
19th: Right to Life – Michigan
26th: Capital Improvement Fund



January 12, 2025

Highland Christian Reformed Church

"Striving to be the heart and hands of Jesus"

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."*

CORE VALUES:

*Worship joyfully and reverently.
Treasure familiar neighbors and warmly welcome new relationships.
Nurture our covenant children and serve our community.
Earnestly pray and eagerly work.
Embrace diversity and emphasize unity.
Empower ministry staff and employ the ministry gifts of all.
Give generously and invest globally.*

Rev. Mark Bonnes & Rev. Ashley Bonnes

office@highlandcrc.org Sunday Worship 9:30 am 9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion
www.highlandcrc.org Sunday School & Catechism (231) 825-2171
10:40 am – 11:30 am (Sept-May)

Welcome to
HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
January 12, 2025

The People of God Gather:

Prelude: *All Glory Be to Christ*
Welcome & God’s Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:

10,000 Reasons
1 Peter 4:11
All Glory Be to Christ
Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Installation of Elders & Deacons
Announcements
Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God’s Word

Children’s Message: Pastor Mark Bonnes
Song of Preparation: *Lord, I Need You*

Scripture: 1 Kings 19: 1-18

Title: Being Renewed to Serve

Prayer of Response
Song of Response/Offertory: *He Will Hold Me Fast*
Today’s Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Project Canefire

To Go in God’s Name

God’s Blessing
Closing Song: *My Friends, May You Grow in Grace*
Postlude

Children’s Bulletins are available on the information table in the Fellowship Hall.
Nursery is available year-round downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old.
Children’s Church is available for children ages 3-Kindergarten immediately following the Children’s message. ****Children under 7 must be picked up from their classroom by a parent/guardian.**

COUNCIL CORNER:

Council Installation:
Sunday, January 12, 2025

Next Communion:
Sunday, March 2, 2025

Next Council Meetings:
Monday, January 13, 2025
6:30 pm Elders
7:00 pm Deacons
7:30 pm Full Council

Preaching Schedule:
January 5: Rev. Mark Bonnes
January 12: Rev. Mark Bonnes
January 19: Rev. Mark Bonnes
January 26: Rev. Mark Bonnes

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Council Officers for 2025:

President	Mark Eisenga	Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes *Please contact the church office for contact information (231) 825-2171
Vice President	Ken Meyering	
Clerk	Bob Vennema	
Sec. of Deacons	Carrie Thompson	
Vice Treasurer	James Bazuin	

Districts for 2025:

Elders	District	Deacons	
Jerry Nemeth	#1, A-C	Carrie Thompson	
Jason Benthem	#2, D-E	Jon Ouwinga	
Bob Vennema	#3, F-L	Curt Wemple	
Mark Eisenga	#4, M-O	Gary Hesselink	
Joe Kulhawick	#5, P-T	Ryan McQuestion	
Ken Meyering	#6, U-Z	James Bazuin	

OFFICE CONTACT INFO:	MINISTRY LEADERS:
Phone: (231) 825-2171 Email: office@highlandcrc.org Office Hours: Monday-Thursday; 8:30 am – 2 pm **All bulletin announcements must be submitted to the church office by <u>noon on Thursdays</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 – Bonnie McBride

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Silent March for SOHLS: In honor of Sanctity of Human Life Sunday (SOHLS), Wexford-Missaukee RTL invites you to join with them for a Silent March next Sunday, January 19 at 2:00 pm. We will gather at the Northern Light Church at 115 Cobb Street in Cadillac. After brief instructions at the church, we will be invited to pick up a (provided) poster sign, and march single file to Mt. Carmel Cemetery where we will have 52 crosses in place. Each cross represents an abortion in Wexford & Missaukee counties in 2023. We will then place a luminary at each cross followed by a short eulogy and prayer. You will be invited back to the church for homemade cookies and refreshments.

Abide: Wednesday, February 5 at 6:30 pm: A multi-church gathering for a time of worship, prayer, testimony, and resting in the presence of God. Hosted at Lake City CRC, 1657 S. Morey Rd., Lake City.

Discovery NMCS Open House: February 7th from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. If you or someone you know is interested in Christ-centered education and extracurricular opportunities, we encourage all prospective students and families to join us for this special opportunity. This is the perfect opportunity to tour the school, meet current families, meet teachers and administration, and discover the many opportunities that NMCS has to offer. Through our tuition assistance program and fundraising efforts, we are working hard to provide affordable options for all families who seek Christian education. There are many options that make Christian education at NMCS affordable for everyone. Transportation is provided to and from Evart, Marion, Cadillac, and Lake City each day. Further information can be found on our website at www.nmcs.us/admissions. We are excited about what God is doing at NMCS and we are eager to share that with as many families as possible.

Mississippi Trip 2025: The Mississippi Trip will be March 21-29, 2025. We are planning our area church youth and adult mission trip to Port Gibson, Mississippi. The vision of this trip involves stewardship and loving others through Christ. As adult leaders and youth participants, we strive to encourage one another in our walk of faith, grow closer to God, and serve wholeheartedly with Christian Volunteer Services to the physical and spiritual needs of any of God's people we encounter. The total cost of this year's trip is \$125. If interested, please contact Dennis Anderson or Ross Vrieze. Youth and Adult application forms are available on the Information table in the Fellowship hall.

THANK YOU:

Single MOMMs Donation: The Service Team and the Single MOMMs Organization would like to thank Highland for their generosity in giving this holiday season. In all, we donated \$1100 in gift cards to this organization to help families in our area. The support was much appreciated!

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- We extend our condolences to Den & Bev Kamphouse in the recent passing of Den's cousin, Melvin Kamphouse, whom they helped care for. Melvin was 82. Funeral Services with military honors were held this past Thursday in Howard City.
- Karen Oeverman was able to come home from the hospital this past Tuesday following treatment for low blood oxygen levels.
- Bob & Lori Hesselink would appreciate your prayers as Bob was recently diagnosed with cancer in his back. He is still undergoing testing.

OUR MISSIONARIES:

****Prayer Letters and Updates are available on our Missions bulletin board:**

- **Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family** (Serving in Uganda)
Email: jshaarda@crnapartners.org; Blog: <http://shaarda.blogspot.com>
- **George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family** (Serving in Ukraine & the U.S.)
Email: gdevuyst@crcna.org; Website: <http://www.devuysts.com>
- **Matthew & Emily Slack & Family** (Serving in London, England)

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:

- **SSgt, Tyler Bode** (US Airforce; currently stationed in Italy).

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE RESOURCES:

Bible Promises for You: "For every circumstance and season of life, God has promises that offer direction, peace, perspective, and wisdom. *Bible Promises for You* is a collection of promises taken from the New International Version of the Bible and is categorized by topic for easy reference". As a blessing to you in the New Year, the Highland Prayer Team has placed a copy of this little book in each mailbox. Feel free to either keep or share this helpful resource with someone who could use some encouragement from the Bible for any circumstance in their life. If you don't have a church mailbox or would like additional copies, please contact the church office or Sandy Rice.

OUR CHURCH WEEK: JANUARY 12-18		
SUN 1/12	9:15 AM	Prayer
	9:30 AM	Worship Service; Ordination & Installation of Council
	10:40 AM	Sunday School & Catechism resume; Dismissed at 11:30
	-----	No Fellowship Bible Study – will resume January 26
MON 1/13	6:30 PM	Elders Meeting
	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
	7:30 PM	Council Meeting
TUES 1/14	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study – Lesson 2
	5:45 PM	REV Moms
WED 1/15	6:30 PM	Family Night Dinner
	7:00 PM	Centershot, GEMS & Caroling

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This morning we will have the **Ordination & Installation** of incoming Council:

- Elders: Jason Benthem, Joe Kulhawick and Ken Meyering.
- Deacons: James Bazuin, Ryan McQuestion and Jon Ouwinga.

Thank you- As we install new elders and deacons to serve on the Highland Church council, we honor those who have just completed two year terms of service: Elders Don Eisenga, Don Ellens and Alan Baas; Deacons Kyle Meyering, Scott Oeverman & Anne Thomas. We honor them for investing their time, their energy, and their heart in serving as leaders and servants at Highland Church.

Fellowship Bible Study will begin January 26 at 4:30 pm in the fellowship hall with potluck to follow. Join us for Ray Vander Laan’s six-lesson video series, “Kings & Prophets”.

Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda) will meet this Tuesday at 9:30 am for Lesson 2 of their new Life Guide Bible study *“Nehemiah - The Courage to Face Opposition”*

Family Night is this Wednesday, January 15, beginning at 6:30 pm with a delicious dinner of Chicken tenders and mashed potatoes. Centershot & GEMS will begin at 7:00. **Also, we need 4 large crockpots of mashed potatoes for this dinner. If you are able to help in that way, please sign up at the information table yet this morning or contact Bev Taylor.

Traveling Hymn-Sing: The Christmas Caroling went so well, we thought we'd make a couple more rounds in the months of January and February! Please sign up TODAY on the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall, or contact Carrie Thompson, if you are interesting in visiting a couple houses after Family Dinner this Wednesday evening to sing a few songs and fellowship! All groups will have 6/7 singers and will visit 3-4 houses from 7-8pm. The more singers we have, the more visits we can make!! Please let either Carrie Thompson or Sara Bruno know if you have any questions!

Office Hours for Pastor Ashley are Tuesdays & Wednesdays from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. She is available by phone or email during that time and available in-person by appointment.

It’s almost here!!! High School Winter Retreat at Spring Hill Camp is scheduled for January 17-19. The cost for the retreat is \$189 to cover travel, lodging, 5 meals, the speaker, worship and activities. However, half of the cost has already been paid, bringing the fee down to \$95/student. Please contact Alan or Dana Baas if you have any questions. Visit <https://my.springhillexperiences.com/camper/express/446> to register.

Address Update: Ruth Bazuin moved to Quiet Creek in Falmouth at the end of December. Their address is 292 Falmouth Rd; Falmouth, MI 49632. She does not currently have a cell phone. Their main phone # is (231) 826-0020.

1989 Highland Cookbooks: Looking for the perfect gift? Highland CRC Booster Club did a reprint of the classic 1989 Highland CRC cookbook with the recipes that everyone loves (this is the one with vegetables on the cover). They are \$22 each. Available at McBain Grain and Highland CRC. Shipping available for a higher rate. Any questions, please contact Laura Swiler or the Highland Church office at (231) 825-217.

Clothing Drive Update: The Service Team will continue to take donations to the Marion Elementary, Junior High and High Schools as they come in. Most needed, as of this date, are shoes and boots, all sizes. Thanks so much for your commitment to this project!

Christmas Shoebox: Thank you again for all the ongoing support and donations you have given for our recent Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection for 2024—it was a great year! We would like to ask the congregation for ongoing support and donations for this year as well. Once again, we will be collecting these items on a monthly basis. For **January/February** we would like to start out with **CRAFT ITEMS**—if you have a skill/talent with making dolls, or marble bags or toiletry bag this will be greatly appreciated! There will be a “Christmas Shoebox Tote” labeled for the donations needed each month located in the Fellowship Hall. Please feel free to purchase any of these items at any time as we greatly appreciate all the support. If you would like to give monetary donations that will be accepted as well! Thank you again for your ongoing support and generosity!

Save The Date: Protect Young Eyes Presentation- Parents and caring adults, the Education Team is hosting an event titled *Fabulous & Fragile: Mental Health, Tech, & Our Kids*, and you won’t want to miss it! Devices and technology are capable of so much and easily captivate our children. Come unpack the brain, science, and solutions needed to help our amazing kids navigate an addictive digital world. Join us Saturday, February 22, from 1:00-2:30PM for this compelling presentation. This is a free event open to the public with childcare provided, refreshments, and door prizes. Donations will be accepted at the door to help cover speaker costs. We are also looking for sponsors for the event. If you are interested in financially supporting this endeavor, please contact the church office at (231) 825-2171.