

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

NURSERY

- Jan 22** Karen Oeverman, Becky Wemple, Stephanie VanHouten, Evan Wemple
Jan 29 Diane Eisenga, Dana Baas, Ruth Kulhawick, Leah Thompson
Feb 5 Nicole Schultz, Linda Ellens, Maggie Southwick, Karsyn Meyering
Feb 12 Karianne Smith, Donna Veddler, Esther Bode, Harper Tossey

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

- Jan 22** Teacher: Cindy Vennema; Helpers: Nicole Schultz, Alan Thomas
Jan 29 Teacher: Megan Plugger; Helpers: Nicole Koetje, Addean Oeverman
Feb 5 Teacher: Lizelle Bazuin; Helpers: Hillary Dracht, Harper Tossey
Feb 12 Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helpers: Amy VanPolen, Leah Thompson

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

- Jan 22** Cary Sikkema, Dan Ouwinga, Sue Cook
Jan 29 Kyle Meyering, Roger Hagerman, Tami Eisenga
Feb 5 Matt Thompson, Deb Eisenga, Jodi DeHate
Feb 12 Cary Sikkema, Jonathan Dracht, Sue Cook

2ND OFFERINGS

- | January: | February: |
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| 1 st – Booster Club | 5 th – Booster Club |
| 8 th – Building & Maintenance Fund | 12 th – Building & Maintenance Fund |
| 15 th – Life Resources | 19 th – World Renew |
| 22 nd – Middle School Youth Room | 26 th – Middle School Youth Room |

USHERS

- January:** Jerry Nemeth, Jim Ouwinga, Aaron Plugger, Dale Taylor
February: Kerwin Huttenga, Henry Baas, Mike Southwick, Isaac Baas

****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!**



January 22, 2023

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

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Sunday Worship 9:30 AM
Sunday School 10:40 AM – 11:30 AM

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

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
January 22, 2023

The People of God Gather:

Welcome & Lighting the Christ Candle

God's Greeting

Greet One Another

To Praise God:

Speak to the Mountains

Jesus Messiah

Speak O Lord

Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God:

Announcements

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday -Video

Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word:

Children's Message- Pastor Mark Bonnes

Song of Preparation: *Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord*

Sermon Title: **"Why is this in the Bible?"**

Scripture: **1 Samuel 18: 20-30**

Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory: *Holy Water*

Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Right to Life of Michigan

To Go in God's Name:

God's blessing

Closing Song: *We Fall Down*

Postlude

HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Officers for 2023:

(All have a 231 area code unless otherwise noted)

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| President | Jon Dracht |
| Vice President | Don Eisenga |
| Clerk | Alan Baas |
| Sec. of Deacons | Kyle Meyering |
| Vice Treas. | Kasey Rees |

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| <p>Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes</p> <p>Please call (231) 825-2171 for contact information</p> |
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Districts for 2023:

| Elders | District | Deacons |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Den Kamphouse | #1, A-C | David Wing |
| Alan Baas | #2, D-E | Kyle Meyering |
| Jon Dracht | #3, F-L | Devon Dracht |
| Paul Shaarda | #4, M-O | Kasey Rees |
| Don Eisenga | #5, P-T | Scott Oeverman |
| Don Ellens | #6, U-Z | Anne Thomas |

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| <p><u>Church Office</u> (231) 825-2171 office@highlandcrc.org Office Hours: Mon - Thurs: 8:30 am-2:00 pm Fri-Sun: Closed **All bulletin content is due at noon on Thursdays**</p> | <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> |
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Our **Nursery** is available downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old.
Children's Church is available downstairs for children ages 3-Kindergarten
following the children's message.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

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. Please contact either Anita Kvasnak or Deborah Ouwinga for additional information or an application.

Cookbooks are available by the church office:

- **Community Hope presents "Taste Tested Hometown Cooking"** -A great collection of favorite recipes from 14 Missaukee County churches. Cookbooks are \$20 each. 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.

Love INC’s Linen Pantry (housed at First Christian Church, Cadillac) is in need of the following new or gently used items. All donated Items can either be collected on the donation table in the east wing or dropped off at First Christian Church of Cadillac, (Tuesdays & Thursdays or by appointment.):

- Mattress Pads –Queen, Full & Twin
- Quilts & Blankets –Queen & Full
- Pillows
- Hand Towels
- Dish Towels

Positions available at Lake City Christian Reformed Church (All position descriptions are available on their website at <https://lakecitycrc.org/opportunities> or by contacting their church office at office@lakecitycrc.org. Resumes/Applications may be emailed to office@lakecitycrc.org or mailed to Lake City CRC, P. O. Box 659, Lake City, MI 49651):

- **Church Administrator (Full-time):** Lake City CRC is currently seeking a person who has a passion to oversee, coordinate and direct key ministries of LCCRC including a direct role in facilities management. The Church Administrator is a full-time, salaried position.
- **Church Administrator (Part-time):** Lake City CRC is currently seeking a person who has a passion to oversee, coordinate and direct key ministries of LCCRC. The Church Administrator is a part-time position.
- **Young Children’s Ministry Coordinator:** Lake City CRC is seeking a person who has a passion to oversee and coordinate the programming for children ages birth to school age. The Young Children’s Ministry Coordinator is a part-time/hourly employee who will normally work 8-10 hours per week.

PRAYER CORNER

- ✚ We lift up in prayer those that need healing: **Amanda Lee, Bonnie Veddler, Dick Bruno, BJ Cook, Carol Niver, & MaryJo Lee.**
- ✚ Continued prayers for **Margaret Westmaas** and **Mary Dracht** who are currently working with World Renew in Orange, Texas from January 7 until January 28.
- ✚ **Shandel (Veddler) Banks** would appreciate our prayers for healing and a decrease in sciatic nerve pain.
- ✚ **Request for prayer from George de Vuyst** –“We ask for your continued prayers and support for the work of Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations. This year we trained 24 facilitators in Sumas, Washington in September and 2 other people from the U.S. were trained at the International School of Reconciliation in Rwanda in October. This means that things are beginning to spread in North America!”

DAILY PRAYER FOCUS

³⁴ “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.” -John 13: 34-35

God of LOVE, help us, as a congregation, to be pure and obedient before You so our love for each other will be sincere and from the heart. Give us a spirit of unity so we glorify You with one heart and voice. Help us to love one another as You have loved us.

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@crcnapartners.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: JANUARY 22-28

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| SUN 01/22 | 9:15 AM 9:30 AM **10:40 AM 5:00 PM | Prayer Morning Worship Service & Communion Sunday School & Catechism (dismiss at 11:30) Highland Hymn-sing |
| TUES 01/24 | 7:00 PM | REV Moms |
| WED 01/25 | 9:30 AM 7:00 PM | Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda) –Lesson 3 Prayer Meeting |
| THURS 01/26 | 7:00 PM | Ladies Bible Study (w/ Linda) –F.H. |

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

****Attention Parents or PreK-12th Grade students:** Our Sunday School and Catechism classes have a new time frame that will remain in place throughout the

The 2023 Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign for Life Resources of Northern Michigan has begun! You will be offered a bottle at the end of the service to fill and return by February 12. If you wish to write a check, please make it payable to Life Resources of Northern Michigan. Please return any unused bottles as well so these can be used for future campaigns. A box for both full and empty bottles will be available near the information table in the fellowship hall.

In honor of Sanctity of Human Life Sunday, Wexford/Missaukee will be holding a "Silent March" at 2pm on January 22nd at the Northern Light Church at 115 Cobb Street in Cadillac. We will be marching to Mt. Carmel Cemetery where we will have 55 black crosses representing the 55 abortions in Wexford and Missaukee Counties in 2021. We will have a short eulogy. Refreshments will then be served back at the church.

Tonight: Highland Hymn-sing: The Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study invites you to a night of song tonight at 5:00 pm followed by a time of fellowship and a light potluck supper.

The Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study will begin a new study next week, January 29, at 4:30 pm on the book of James. Please contact Sandy Rice for a book.

The Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda) will be looking at lesson 3 of their new study of the Apostles' Creed. If you are interested in joining this next study, it's not too late! Please contact Hilda Cruz for a study guide.

The Thursday Evening Ladies Bible Study (w/ Linda) will be meeting this Thursday at 7:00 pm in the Youth Building for their video led study entitled "Finding Balance: Thriving in a 'Do it all' world"

Save the Date: Highland's J.O.Y. Group will be holding a Valentine Luncheon on Tuesday, February 14 at noon. Enjoy some soup and salad followed by dessert and coffee. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone wishing to contribute soup for this event can contact Cindy Vennema.

Help Needed: Our Strong Tower and Extreme Youth Groups are in need of support through volunteers! If you are able to help in any of these areas, please contact our Youth Director, Lindsay **Zuiderveen or the church office.**

- **Large Group Leaders:** Present lesson to group (lesson is provided). Lead discussions as a whole with group. Lead game with helper (game idea/supplies are provided as well if needed).
- **Adult helper:** Aid the large group leader with keeping group focused and engaged. Help with group game.

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.

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

Items for Christmas Shoeboxes- Thank you again for all the ongoing support and donations you have given for our recent Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection for 2022—it was a great year! We would like to ask the congregation for ongoing support and donations by collecting 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! (I have an example that I will put out in the fellowship hall) I will be setting out a Tote labeled for the donations each month that will be located in the Fellowship Hall. Please feel free to purchase any of these items at any time as we greatly appreciate all the support.

Versiti Blood of Michigan will be here on Wednesday, February 15, from 1:00-6:30 pm in the Youth Building for our next Blood Drive. Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome! For an appointment, please call 1 (866) 642-5663, or go to www.versiti.org/mi. You may also schedule through our site-coordinator, Sara by calling the church office at (231) 825-2171.