

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

NURSERY

- Feb 12** Karianne Smith, Donna Veddler, Jodi DeHate, Harper Tossey
Feb 19 Diane Nemeth, Esther Bode, Barb Dore, Owen Wemple
Feb 26 Jodi Meyering, Mikayla Powers, Lindsay Beerens, Alan Thomas
March 5 Tami Eisenga, Mary Rees, DaNay Tossey, Natalie Kvasnak

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

- Feb 12** Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helpers: Amy VanPolen, Leah Thompson
Feb 19 Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helpers: Lindsay Beerens, JD Bazuin
Feb 26 Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helpers: Jordyn Richardson, Aubrynn Bazuin
March 5 Teacher: Megan Pluger Helpers: Nicole Schultz, Alan Thomas

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

- Feb 12** Cary Sikkema, Jonathan Ouwinga, Deb Eisenga
Feb 19 Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga
Feb 26 Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Kendra Jenema
March 5 Matt Thompson, Jonathan Ouwinga, Sue Cook

2ND OFFERINGS

- February:**
5th – Booster Club
12th – Building & Maintenance Fund
19th – World Renew
26th – Middle School Youth Room

USHERS

- February:** Kerwin Huttenga, Henry Baas, Mike Southwick, Isaac Baas
March: Adam Southwick, Kevin Eisenga, Todd Oeverman, Tucker Tossey

****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!**



February 12, 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
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HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
February 12, 2023

The People of God Gather:

Prelude
 Welcome & Lighting the Christ Candle
 God's Greeting
 Greet One Another

To Praise God:

Holy Ground
 Revelations 4:8
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty (vs 1 & 4)
Shine On Us (vs 1-3)
 Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God:

Announcements
 Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word:

Children's Message- Pastor Ashley Bonnes
 Song of Preparation: *God Is Here*
 Sermon Title: **"Just Going Through the Motions"**
 Scripture: **Isaiah 58: 1-9a**

Prayer of Response
 Song of Response/Offertory: *Amazing Grace / My Chains Are Gone*
 Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Building & Maintenance Fund

To Go in God's Name:

God's blessing
 Closing Song: *You Are The Vine*
 Postlude

*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.

HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Officers for 2023:

(All have a 231 area code unless otherwise noted)

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

<p align="center">Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes *personal contact info is not posted online. Please call the church office.</p>

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

Upcoming Council Meetings:

February 13 at 6:30 pm: Elders
 February 13 at 7:00 pm: Deacons
 February 13 at 7:30 pm: Council
 March 7 at 9:00 am Spring Classis Mtg. at Calvin CRC

Church Office

(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****

Ministry Team Leaders

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)

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

Cookbooks are available by the church office:

- **Community Hope's "Taste Tested Hometown Cooking"** -Includes favorite recipes from 14 Missaukee County churches. Cookbooks are \$20 each. Checks can be made payable to **Community Hope**. Please write cookbook on the memo line.
- **"Taste of Highland CRC" Centennial Cookbooks** are also available for \$5.

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.

Start Your Comet Journey - Are you looking for Preschool, Young 5's or Kindergarten? Join us at Northern Michigan Christian School on March 21st for an information night where future Comets can meet their teacher, explore classrooms, and receive information about registration for the 2023-24 School Year! If you are unsure if your student is ready for Kindergarten, feel free to join us and we have readiness testing available! Informational meetings will be as follows:

- Preschool, 5:30 PM
- Young 5's, 6:00 PM
- Kindergarten, 6:30 PM

PRAYER CORNER

- ✚ We lift up in prayer those that need healing and the strength needed for each day: **BJ Cook, Amanda Lee, Bonnie Veddler, Carol Niver, Shandell (Veddler) Banks & Dick Bruno.**
- ✚ Please keep **Jean Venema** in your prayers this week as she is scheduled for knee replacement surgery on Wednesday, February 15.

WEEKLY PRAYER EMPHASIS

On January 1 we began 2023 with a prayer service where we collected prayers from you all. The Prayer Team has turned those wonderful prayers and prayer concerns into a calendar of prayers for 2023. Every week we will emphasize a prayer concern that you all gave us:

- **This Sunday**, we will be emphasizing those who are grieving loss of identity or hopes and dreams. Please remember those grieving these losses in your prayers.
- **In the week ahead & next Sunday** we will be emphasizing those that are lonely. We ask that in your daily prayers this week you pray for those that are battling loneliness.

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: FEBRUARY 12-18

SUN 02/12	9:15 AM	Prayer
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	**10:40 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (dismiss at 11:30)
	4:30 PM	Fellowship Bible Study – Lesson 3
MON 02/13	6:30 PM	Elders Meeting
	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
	7:30 PM	Council Meeting
TUES 02/14	12:00 PM	J.O.Y. Group Valentine Luncheon –F.H.
	*****	No REV Moms this week; Next mtg. 2/28
WED 02/15	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda) – Lesson 5
	1:00-6:30 PM	Versiti Blood Drive (youth building)
	6:30 PM	Family Night Dinner (fellowship hall)
	7:00 PM	Centershot, GEMS, Prayer Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lenten Challenge Series: During the upcoming Lenten season, we will be studying the Seven Deadly Sins. Based on the book “Glittering Vices” by Rebecca Konyndyk DeYoung, each week we will have a series of challenges and prayers that we encourage people to do during the week prior to the Sunday sermon of that topic. There will be a time of discussion for adults each week during the Sunday school hour or on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm.

The 2023 Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign – Baby bottles are due back today! Bottles both full and empty can be placed in the box next to the information table.

The Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study will meet this evening at 4:30 pm for Lesson 3 of their new study on the book of James. Please contact Sandy Rice if you would like to join this study and to get a book.

The Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda) will be looking at lesson 5 of their study of the Apostles’ Creed. If you are interested in joining this study, it’s not too late! Please contact Hilda Cruz for a study guide.

Highland’s J.O.Y. Group will be holding a Valentine Luncheon this Tuesday, **February 14 at noon**. Enjoy some soup and salad followed by dessert and coffee. Please sign-up on the information table in the Fellowship Hall if you plan to attend. Anyone wishing to contribute soup for this event can contact Cindy Vennema.

This Wednesday is Family Night: Bring the family for a pancake supper at 6:30 pm followed by Centershot, GEMS and Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Versiti Blood of Michigan will be here this Wednesday, **February 15**, from 1-6:30 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.

****1-2-3-4 We Declare a Change War!** - February 12-25.** All funds raised will go toward furnishing the middle school youth room in the basement. The winning group will be announced on March 5. For more information on how to participate, please check your mailbox for our flyer.

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.

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

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. Applications are available on the information table of the fellowship hall. Please contact either Anita Kvasnak or Deborah Ouwinga with questions or for additional information.