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

#### **NURSERY**

Feb 25	Ruth Kulhawick, Nicole Schultz, Maggie Southwick, Ben Thompson
Feb 18	Becky Wemple, Diane Eisenga, Dana Baas, Franklin Baas

March 3 Donna Veddler, Esther Bode, Diane Nemeth, Kendyn Meyering

March 10 Barb Dore, Tami Eisenga, Jodi Meyering, Evan Wemple

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

**Feb 18** Teacher: Miranda Dykhouse; Helpers: Nicole Schultz, Emerson Tossey **Feb 25** Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helpers: Hillary Dracht, Steph VanHouten

March 3 Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helpers: Nicole Koetje, Emma Lee

March 10 Teacher: Megan Pluger; Helpers: Jordyn Richardson, Gracyn Swiler

#### **SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT**

Feb 18 Matt Thompson, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
Feb 25 Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Jodi DeHate
March 3 Kyle Meyering, Deb Eisenga, Kendra Jenema

March 10 Matt Thompson, Jonathan Ouwinga, Deborah Ouwinga

#### **USHERS**

February: Den Kamphouse, Kerwin Huttenga, Adam Southwick, Alan Thomas

March: Kevin Huttenga, Todd Oeverman, Isaac Baas, Henry Baas

#### **GREETERS - PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9:15 AM**

Feb 18 South: Greg & Laura Hesselink; North: Devon & Hillary Dracht
 Feb 25 South: Lindsay & Amara Beerens; North: Matt & Carrie Thompson
 March 3 South: Devon & Hillary Dracht; North: Bob & Cindy Vennema
 March 10 South: Larry & Marilyn Visser; North: C.J. & Sara Bruno

#### **2ND OFFERINGS:**

11th: Friendship Bible Ministry

### February: March:

4th: Booster Club

10<sup>th</sup>: Matt & Emily Slack 17<sup>th</sup>: Single M.O.M.M.S

18th: Friends Ministry
25th: Existing Building Fund
24th: Marion Backpack Program

31st: Existing Building Fund

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled week, please find a replacement. For dirrectory assistance, please contact the church office (231) 825-2171.



# February 18, 2024 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 www.highlandcrc.org Sunday Worship 9:30 am Sunday School & Catechism

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

10:40 am - 11:30 am (Sept-May)

#### HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

## Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am February 18, 2024

#### The People of God Gather:

Prelude

Welcome

God's Greeting

Greet One Another

#### To Praise God

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus (vs 1,3)

Psalm 24:10

Great & Mighty (2x)

We Will Glorify (2x)

Prayer of Praise

#### To Pray and Serve God

Announcements

**Congregational Prayer** 

#### To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: Pastor Mark

Song of Preparation: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (vs 1-3

Scripture: Mark 11:1-11 Message: *In Like A Lion* 

Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory: *Rejoice, The Lord Is King (vs 1-4)* Today's Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Friends Ministry

#### To Go in God's Name

God's blessing

Closing Song: My Tribute (To God Be The Glory)

Postlude

- Nursery is available downstairs for children ages 0 3 years old.
- NEW Children's Bulletins (activity sheets) are available on the information table in the Fellowship Hall.
- Children's Church is available downstairs for children ages 3-Kindergarten following the Children's Message.

#### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:**

Monday, March 11 6:30 pm Elders 7:00 pm Deacons

7:30 pm -Full Council

#### PREACHING SCHEDULE:

February 4 – Rev. Mark Bonnes February 11 – Rev. Mark Bonnes February 18 – Rev. Mark Bonnes February 25 – Rev. Mark Bonnes

#### **HIGHLAND COUNCIL:**

#### Officers for 2024:

President	Don Eisenga	Pastor Mark Bonnes
Vice President	Bob Vennema	Pastor Ashley Bonnes
Clerk	Alan Baas	*personal contact info is
Sec. of Deacons	Kyle Meyering	not posted online. Please
Vice Treas.	Curt Wemple	call the church office.

#### **Districts for 2024:**

Elders	District	Deacons
Jerry Nemeth	#1, A-C	Carrie Thompson
Alan Baas	#2, D-E	Kyle Meyering
Bob Vennema	#3, F-L	Curt Wemple
Mark Eisenga	#4, M-O	Gary Hesselink
Don Eisenga	#5, P-T	Scott Oeverman
Don Ellens	#6, U-Z	Anne Thomas

#### **Church Office**

Phone: (231) 825-2171 Email: office@highlandcrc.org

# Normal Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8:30 am – 2:00 pm Fri-Sun: Closed

\*\*All Bulletin announcements must be submitted to the office by <u>noon</u> 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

<sup>\*\*</sup>Note from the Church Secretary: Beginning January 31, the church office hours will be subject to some adjustment over the next couple weeks as I am currently receiving physical therapy. My appointment days tend to vary so to ensure that I am in the office the day/time you need assistance, please call the church office first at (231) 825-2171. Thank you! —Sara Bruno

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:**

Mississippi Trip 2024: The Mississippi Trip will be March 22-30, 2024. 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 in the Highland church office.

**Spring Enrollment Season:** Northern Michigan Christian School in McBain is NOW ENROLLING preschool through high school students for next school year (2024-2025). Schedule a tour today and learn more by calling (231) 825-2492 or by visiting our updated website at nmcs.us. Discover the NMCS difference today! Challenging minds, nurturing hearts, and developing gifts through our Christ-centered education initiatives. Through our biblical focus, we are able to teach truth, something hard to find in the public-school setting. Scholarships and discounts are available. Transportation to and from Cadillac, Evart, Marion, and Lake City is provided.

#### THANK YOU:

Dear Highland CRC, Our board at Wexford/Missaukee Right to Life, are ever so grateful for your continuing generosity to our local affiliate. ~God's Blessings, Wexford/Missaukee RTL

Thank you to the people of Highland Church for all the kind thoughts and prayers and phone calls while I was in the hospital. ~ Terry Veddler

#### PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- ♣ Brad Pluger: We lift up prayers for continued progress for Brad at Mary Free Bed in Grand Rapids where he is receiving therapy. Please pray for healing and patience.
- **4** Our Missionaries:
  - Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family (Serving in Uganda)
     Email: jshaarda@crcnapartners.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 Central Asia)
     Email: mslack@crcna.org
- Our Active Military:
  - SSgt, Tyler Bode (US Airforce; currently stationed in Italy).

#### **OUR CHURCH WEEK: FEBRUAY 18-24**

SUN 2/18	10:40 AM 12:00 PM	Prayer Worship Service Sunday School & Catechism Chili Cook-off and Fellowship Lunch Fellowship Bible Study & Potluck
TUES 2/20		Ladies Bible Study Lesson 9 REV Moms Steering Team Mtg.
WED 2/21		Family Night Dinner Centershot, GEMS & Screwtape Letters Bible Study
SAT 2/24	1:00 PM	"Protect Young Eyes" Workshop

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**TODAY at Noon- Highland Chili Cook-Off and Fellowship Lunch:** The congregation is invited to taste-test and judge the chili entries, then enjoy a lunch of chili, cinnamon rolls, cornbread, and hotdogs with all the toppings. Contestants are still invited to signup. The chili will be judged in three categories: hottest, best name, and best tasting chili. Come join the fun!

The Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study will meet in the fellowship hall at 4:30 pm in the church fellowship hall for Lesson 2 of our new study "Angels". A potluck supper will follow. Please contact Sandy Rice if you have not yet reserved a copy of the book.

The Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study will be looking at Lesson 9 of their study titled "Meeting Jesus" this week beginning at 9:30 am

**Screwtape Letters Bible Study:** Beginning Wednesday, February 21 at 7:00 pm: There are books in the Back of the church for anyone who signed up. We will be looking at chapters 1-3 this week. Please read if you are able. We will meet in the Youth Building on Wednesdays at 7 pm. Questions for this week:

- Chapter 1 Why does Screwtape say to stay away from factual arguments?
- Chapter 2 What does Screwtape say is the downfall of the church?
- Chapter 3 What does Screwtape want the relations with the patient's mother to look like?

**Protect Young Eyes-** Parents, Highland CRC is hosting an event titled "How to Create a Tech-Ready Home," and you won't want to miss it! Join us Saturday, February 24, from 1:00-2:30 pm for this compelling presentation. There, you will come to understand the impact technology has on your child's brain, learn to use hardware and software to keep your kids safe, and discover ways to prepare, balance, and protect your family online. This is a free event open to the public. Donations will be accepted at the door to help cover speaker costs. For more information visit and to register, visit protectyoungeyes.com/highland.

Craft Day Retreat: REV Moms is hosting their annual Craft Day Retreat fundraiser on Saturday, March 2 at Highland CRC from 8 am-8 pm. Bring a project you have been wanting to start or finish, and take a day to yourself! Door prizes, 3 meals and snacks will all be included in the price. Cost is \$45 for a full day or \$30 for a half day. Bring a friend who has never attended and get \$20 off! Please register ahead of time by emailing REVmoms22@gmail.com. All proceeds go directly to support the REV Moms ministry. We'll also have an Escape Room! Think you can beat the riddles and solve the problems before time runs out? REV Mom's would like to invite you to try at our fundraiser on Saturday, March 2 between 9am-5pm. Cost is \$15 a person, up to 4 people per room. Sign up for an hour time slot by emailing our team at REVmoms22@gmail.com or through our REV Moms Facebook page.

**Save the Date:** Highland's High-school Youth Group will be taking part in a progressive dinner on Sunday, March 17 along with Vogel Center CRC, Prosper CRC and Rehoboth. A sign-up sheet will be available next Sunday on the information table for volunteers to help make our designated portion of that meal (main course or dessert...yet to be determined.) This will be held in our fellowship hall (after Fellowship Bible Study) to accommodate youth from the all four churches.

Save the Date: Highland's next Prayer Retreat is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, 2024 from 9 am -2 pm at Center Lake Bible Camp. More information will become available as we get closer to this event.

Christmas Shoebox: Thank you again for all the ongoing support and donations you have given for our recent Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection for 2023—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!