

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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
Mar 1	South: Al & Anne Thomas; North: Terry & Dawn Veddler
Mar 8	South: Kyle & Abby Meyering; North: Hilda Cruz
Mar 15	South: Greg & DaNay Tossey; North: Dave & Linda Wing
Mar 22	South: Todd & Jackie Schmid; North: Jerry & Diane Nemeth
NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
Mar 1	Megan Pluger, Cindy Vennema, Emma Lee
Mar 8	Anne Thomas, Brooke Benthem, Amara Beerens
Mar 15	Lizelle Bazuin, Bev Kamphouse, Penny Bruno
Mar 22	Kasey McQuestion, Shari Benthem, Khloe McQuestion
CHILDREN’S CHURCH – (September – May; Sundays Only)	
Mar 1	Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helper: Sam VanHouten
Mar 8	Teacher: Jordyn Richardson; Helper: Emma Lee
Mar 15	Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helper: Charlotte Thomas
Mar 22	Teacher: Makayla Powers; Helper: Gracyn Swiler
SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT	
Mar 1	Kyle Meyering, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
Mar 8	Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Micah Chrispell
Mar 15	Matt Thompson, Jon Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
Mar 22	Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
USHERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
March:	Bob Lee, Jon Ouwinga, Ken Roede, Adam Swiler
April:	Dale Taylor, Kyle Veltema, Kendyn Meyering, Todd Schmid
2ND OFFERINGS:	
March: 1 st : Booster Club 8 th : Josh & Mandy Shaarda 15 th : World Renew; 22 nd : Life Resources 29 th : Capital Improvement Fund	**Parking Lot Pledges can be turned in via the offering plate at any time but please use the pledge envelopes available on the information table**



March 1, 2026

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

Sunday Worship: 9:30 am

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion, MI

Sunday School & Catechism:

(231) 825-2171

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

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**Welcome to
HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
March 1, 2026**

The People of God Gather:

Prelude
Welcome & God's Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:

From All That Dwell Below the Skies (vs 1-3)
Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone (vs 1-5)
Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Announcements
Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: David McBride
Song of Preparation: *Every Promise (vs 1 & 3)*

Scripture: Luke 23: 35-43

Sermon: Unexpected Forgiveness

To Partake in the Lord's Supper

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A #66

Communion *please remain seated as the elements are passed

Bread: *The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power / O How He Loves You & Me*

Juice: *The Old Rugged Cross*

Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory: *Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me (vs 1-4)*

Today's Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Booster Club

To Go in God's Name

God's Blessing

Closing Song: *Cleanse Me*

Postlude

Nursery is available year-round downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old.

*Children's Church is available downstairs for children age 3-Kindergarten immediately following the Children's message. **Children under 7 must be picked up from their classroom by a parent/guardian.*

Children's Bulletins are available on the information table in the fellowship hall.

COMING UP:

Next Communion:

Today, May 1, 2026

Next Council Meetings:

Monday, March 9, 2026

6:30 pm Elders

7:00 pm Deacons

7:30 pm Full Council

Preaching Schedule:

March 1: Rev. Mark Bonnes

March 8: Rev. Mark Bonnes

March 15: Rev. Mark Bonnes

March 22: Rev. Mark Bonnes

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Council Officers for 2026:

President	Steve Meeuwenberg	Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes Please contact our church office for directory assistance. (231) 825-2171
Vice President	Ken Meyering	
Clerk	Greg Tossey	
Sec. of Deacons	Jon Ouwinga	
Vice Treasurer	James Bazuin	

Districts for 2026:

Elders	District	Deacons
Greg Tossey	#1, A-C	Kevin DeHate
Jason Benthem	#2, D-E	Jon Ouwinga
Steve Meeuwenberg	#3, F-L	Miranda Dykhouse
Paul Shaarda	#4, M-O	Kyle Veltema
Doug Mitchell	#5, P-T	Ryan McQuestion
Ken Meyering	#6, U-Z	James Bazuin

CHURCH OFFICE INFO:

Phone: (231) 825-2171

Email: office@highlandcrc.org

OFFICE HOURS:

Pastor Ashley: Mon & Tues 9am-3pm

**Both pastors are off on Wednesdays

Main Office: Mon-Thurs, 8:30am-2pm

Bulletin announcements due before noon on Thursdays.

MINISTRY LEADERS:

Care & Fellowship Team – Cindy Vennema

Education Team – Megan Pluger

Facilities Team – Greg Hesselink & Devon Dracht

Outreach Team – Committee

Prayer Team – Sandy Rice

Service Team – Carrie Thompson

Worship Team – Bonnie McBride

The **LIVE Stream of our Sunday Worship Service is now on our **YouTube** channel, **Highland CRC LIVE** (make sure it says LIVE). Visit <http://www.youtube.com/@HighlandCRCLIVE> or follow the link on our Facebook page.

NMC Now Hiring - Track Coach: We are looking to hire a high school/middle school track and field head coach. If interested, please contact Trey Reed (treed@nmcs.us). The season starts with practices on March 15.

Mississippi Trip 2026: The Mississippi Trip will be March 27-April 4, 2026. 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 address 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 church office.

UNITED Night of Worship is a bi-annual night of worship for students and youth ministries across northwest Michigan that first began in April 2018. This event gathers hundreds of students and youth leaders together under one roof, with one identity, to worship our one true God. Sunday, April 26, 2026, 6-8 PM at Cadillac High School Auditorium (500 Chestnut Street; Cadillac). This is a FREE event! For more information and event updates, visit www.unitednwmi.com or Instagram: @unitednwmi.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Update: due to weather issues in February, training has been delayed until May, but until then, we will continue to fundraise and spread the word about what is coming to Osceola County. Please keep us and this ministry in your prayers. If you would like to be involved, either by donating financially or with supplies, please talk to Al Thomas or Todd Schmid. Thank you for your continued support, encouraging words, and prayers as we follow God's prompting. To help support SHP financially, please visit <https://give.shpbeds.org/page/FUNADPTHLYG> or make a check out to Sleep in Heavenly Peace (or SHP), but be sure to put MI-Osceola Co. in the memo. Checks can be turned in to anyone on our core team (Al & Anne Thomas, Todd Schmid, Lindsay Beerens and Carrie Thompson). Thank you!

THANK YOU:

Dear Highland CRC - We are so grateful for your recent contribution. Thank you for your generous support to Right to Life as we continue our cause to save God's little ones! ~Wexford/Missaukee RTL

THANK YOU, Highland congregation, for so faithfully supporting Life Resources of Northern Michigan. We collected **\$1,767.48** for the Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser. This money will help the people of our surrounding counties get ultrasounds, parenting classes, and abstinence education for students in our schools.

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

CJ Bruno will be having surgery to repair a heart valve this Monday, March 2, Grand Rapids. Your prayers for a successful surgery and complete recovery are greatly appreciated.

Classis Northern Michigan will be meeting on Tuesday, March 3 at Cadillac CRC. Our main items of business are examining two commissioned pastor candidates and one Minister of the Word. Our delegates are Pastor Ashley Bonnes, Miranda Dykhouse, and Greg Tossey. Please remember this in your prayers this week.

Continued prayers for **Colter Bailey** as he began the 12 rounds of radiation on February 17. Please pray for renewed strength and health through each step and overall healing from the entire treatment process.

Chris Sheats is moving forward with the bone marrow transplant clearance process with hope and determination. A tentative date for bone marrow collection is set for the week of March 16th, paving the way for a strong dose of chemotherapy to reset his immune system in the coming weeks. If all proceeds smoothly, the transplant is scheduled for April 3, Good Friday, a date that feels imbued with profound significance. We're asking for prayers for a seamless clearance process.

OUR MISSIONARIES:

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

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:

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

OUR CHURCH WEEK: MARCH 1-7

SUN 3/1	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 10:40 AM 4:30 PM 6-8:00 PM	Prayer Worship Service & Communion Sunday School/Catechism; Dismissed at 11:30 Fellowship Bible Study MS & HS Youth Group
MON 3/2	7:00 PM 7:15 PM	Praise Team Practice – Instruments Praise Team Practice – Singers
TUES 3/3	9:30 AM 5:45 PM	Ladies Bible Study w/ Hilda REV Moms
WED 3/4	6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Family Night Dinner GEMS & Centershot
THUR 3/5	7:00 PM	Freedom In Christ (FIC) Bible Study
FRI 3/6	-----	Fellowship Hall Closed for Craft Day set-up
SAT 3/7	8 am – 8 pm	REV Moms' Craft Day Retreat

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This morning we are blessed to have the opportunity to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

Fellowship Bible Study will meet at 4:30 this evening for Episode 6 of Ray Vander Laan's "The Study" (Season 2). A potluck supper to follow.

Office Closed: The Church office will be closed this week: March 1-7. Please call Pastor Ashley with any prayer chain needs.

The Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study will be meeting this Tuesday, March 3, at 9:30 am for Lesson 17 of their study on Genesis.

The **Classis NM spring meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, March 3 Cadillac CRC. Highland's Council representatives are Pastor Ashley Bonnes, Greg Tossey (Elder) and Miranda Dykhous (Deacon) with Paul Shaarda (Elder) as an alternate.

Family Night is this Wednesday, March 4, join us at 6:30 pm for a delicious dinner of spaghetti casserole, bread sticks, broccoli and fruit. Centershot & GEMS start at 7 pm.

Freedom in Christ (FIC) Bible Study will meet this Thursday, March 5 at 7 pm in the fellowship hall. Please contact Linda Wing with any questions.

Chili Cook-off Awards: For chili with best name and taste: Greg Tossey; For with the most heat: Kevin DeHate. Well done everyone and thank you to everyone that took part in this year's cook-off!

Update on the TODAY Devotionals: The large print booklets for March/April have been delayed but are on their way! We will put them out on the information table as soon as they arrive. Thank you for your patience.

Feedback Needed: The Prayer Team is looking for input from the people of Highland church on what you would find helpful in developing and strengthening your prayer habits and journey. Is there a devotional you've been wanting to try or share with others? Do you want more information on different types of prayer that you heard about at a retreat? Do you want more resources for kids, teens, women, men? Please reach out to Pastor Ashley or Sandy Rice so these can be made available!

Starting March 8 - Flowers for Easter: We are once again offering Easter flowers that can be ordered in memory of a loved one. These flowers will be displayed in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 5th and then you may take them home after the service. Options available are Hyacinths, Tulips, Daffodils or mums for \$15 each. Each option comes in a 6" pot wrapped in foil with a bow. Colors may vary. The worship team will be taking your orders March 8, 15 & 22 in the fellowship hall. All orders are due by Sunday, March 22nd. Payment will be due at the time you order. Please make checks payable to Highland Christian Reformed Church.

Craft Day Retreat: Saturday, March 7 from 8 am - 8 pm. \$45 for a full day, or \$30 for a half day (8 am - 2 pm or 2 pm - 8 pm). Join us for a well-deserved day of crafting and treats! Do you scrapbook, sew, quilt, knit, make jewelry or just need the time to address those digital photos and scrapbooks. Come and lavish in a quiet environment to get all your "back burner" projects done. All proceeds from this event go directly to the REV Moms group to help keep costs down for the mothers who attend, bring in speakers, meals, gifts, outreach, and more! Please email us at REVmoms22@gmail.com with any questions about registration or the event. You can also find us on Facebook! Registration forms are also available by request from the church office.

Christmas Shoebox Collection: Thank you for your continued support of Operation Christmas Child. We are on our way to another great year! Throughout **March & April**, we will be collecting SMALL TOYS: Baby dolls, toy cars, soccer balls with pumps, toy animals, stress balls, bouncy balls, books, flashlights/batteries, jump rope etc. There is 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. Monetary contributions are accepted as well.

This year's **Annual Spring Day of Prayer** gathering will be held at Vogel Center CRC on Wednesday, March 11 at 7 pm. Please join us in prayer that evening!

Lake City CRC invites you to Lenten Prayer & Worship times each Tuesday in Lent from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Please consider including this time in your Lenten reflections.