

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

NURSERY

- Mar 24** Megan Pluger, Melissa Oeverman, Cindy Vennema, Karsyn Meyering
Mar 29 (Friday) Lizelle Bazuin, Brooke Benthem, Bev Kamphouse, Evan Wemple
Mar 31 (Easter) Patti Koop, Shari Benthem, Karen Oeverman, Madelyn Oeverman
April 7 Jan Rivera, Kasey McQuestion, Dana Baas, Alan Thomas
April 14 Becky Wemple, Diane Eisenga, Steph VanHouten, Gracyn Swiler

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- March 24** No Children's Church: Spring Break / Palm Sunday
March 31 No Children's Church: Spring Break / Easter
April 7 Teacher: Megan Pluger; Helpers: Nicole Schultz, Harper Tossey
April 14 Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helpers: Hillary Dracht, Emerson Tossey

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

- Mar 24** Mark Eisenga, Dan Ouwinga, Deborah Ouwinga
Mar 29 (Friday) Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Deborah Ouwinga
Mar 31 (Easter) Matt Thompson, Kaylie Benthem, Tami Eisenga
April 7 Kyle Meyering, Jonathan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga
April 14 Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Jodi DeHate

USHERS

- March:** Kevin Huttenga, Todd Oeverman, Isaac Baas, Henry Baas
April: Kasey Rees, Matt Thompson, Dale Fredin, Ben Thompson

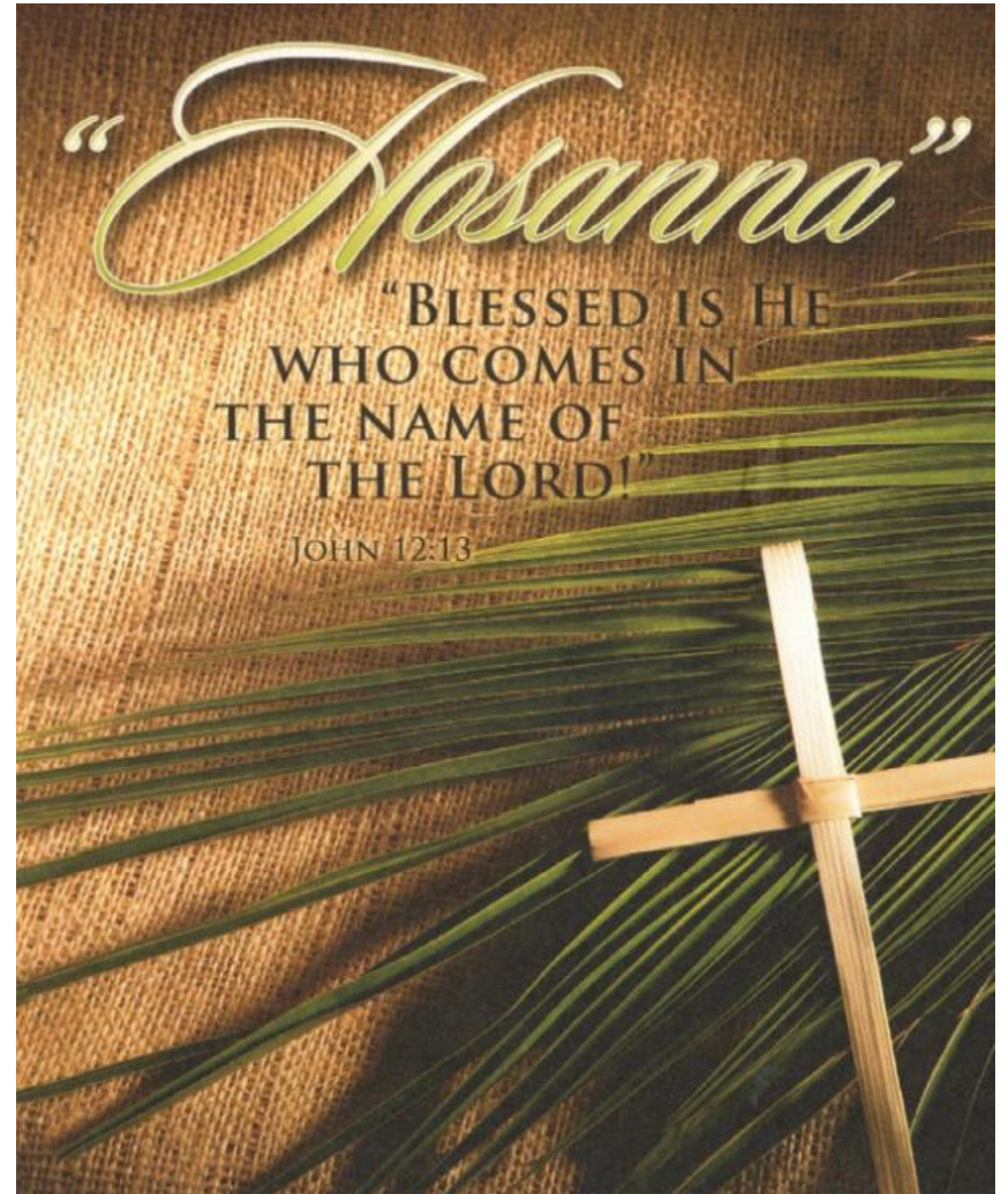
GREETERS – PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9:15 AM

- March 24** South: Steph & Sam VanHouten; North: Jim & Bev Ouwinga
Mar 31 (Easter) South: Steve & Sue Meeuwenberg; North: Paul & Carole Shaarda
April 7 South: Dale & Bev Taylor; North: Bonnie Veddler
April 14 South: Kevin & Jodi DeHate; North: Paul & Jan Rivera

2ND OFFERINGS:

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| March: | April: |
| 3 rd : Booster Club | 7 th : Booster Club |
| 10 th : Matt & Emily Slack | 14 th : George & Sarah de Vuyst |
| 17 th : Single M.O.M.M.S | 21 st : Existing Building Fund |
| 24 th : Marion Backpack Program | 28 th : GEMS |
| 31 st : Existing Building Fund | |

**Thank you to our
many volunteers
for serving at
Highland Church!**



HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am

March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

The People of God Gather:

Prelude
Welcome
God's Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God

Come Christians, Join to Sing (vs 1,2)
In the Name of the Lord
All Glory, Laud & Honor (vs 1,3)
Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Announcements
Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: Pastor Mark Bonnes
Song of Preparation: *We Are an Offering*

Scripture: John 13: 1-17

Message: THURSDAY: Jesus Washes Feet

Prayer of Response
Song of Response/Offertory: *As He Gathered at His Table (vs 1-5)*
Today's Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Marion Backpack Program

To Go in God's Name

God's blessing
Closing Song: *Make Me A Servant*
Postlude

- **Nursery** is available downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old.
- **NEW Children's Bulletins** 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, April 8
6:30 pm Elders
7:00 pm Deacons
7:30 pm –Full Council

PREACHING SCHEDULE:

March 3 – Rev. Mark Bonnes
March 10 – Rev. Ashley Bonnes
March 17 – Rev. Mark Bonnes
March 24 – Rev. Ashley Bonnes
March 29 – Rev. Mark Bonnes
March 31 – Rev. Mark Bonnes

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Officers for 2024:

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

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
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Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs 8:30 am – 2:00 pm
Fri-Sun: Closed

**All Bulletin announcements must be submitted to the office by noon on Thursdays.

Ministry Team Leaders

Care & Fellowship Team - Cindy Vennema
Education Team - Megan Plugger
Facilities Team - Greg Hesselink
Outreach Team - Jodi DeHate
Prayer Team - Sandy Rice
Service Team - Carrie Thompson
Worship Team - DaNay Tossey

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.

Community Hope's Love Your Neighbor 5K Run/Walk: Saturday, April 13, 2024 at Timer Wolf Lake (Young Life Camp). Proceeds benefit Community Hope Mentoring and food programs for children and youth. Register at RunSignUp.com or visit communityhopemc.org. For questions or more information, please contact Jennifer Pugh at jen@communityhopemc.org or Mekoe Peterson at mekoe@communityhopemc.org

2024 Secret Church Simulcast: Prosper CRC is once again hosting Secret Church. This simulcast, taught by David Platt, is Friday, April 19, beginning at 7pm. This year Secret Church is on the book of Ruth. Ruth has all the elements of a love story. Tragedy. Loss. Despair. Hope. Triumph. Loyalty. Romance. But it's more than just a love story. It's an epic story within a story. It's a story not just about Ruth, but about all of us and a world that's in need of redemption. This one-night event happens annually. Encouraged by our persecuted brothers' and sisters' example, we will meet for nearly 6 hours for intense study of God's Word and passionate prayer for the persecuted. Please join us! Contact Alexandra Dodde to order a workbook. (adodde@gmail.com; 231-349-2806). Cost for the book is \$10.

S.P.U.R.S. – Learning the Rodeo Way! Hughston's Cow Camp Rodeo and Friends proudly presents Special People Understanding Rodeo Skills. Saturday, May 4, 2024, 12:30-3:00 pm. For disabled persons of all ages, rain or shine! A light lunch including hot dogs, will be provided at 12:30 followed by the events of your choosing: Horseback Riding, Petting Zoo, Mock Steer Roping, Horse Painting, Mighty Bronc Riding, Pony & Cart, and Wagon Rides. Due to the generosity of our sponsors, ***this is a FREE event!*** All Participants must be accompanied by an attendant. Hughston's Cow Camp is located 1 mile north of the blinking light in McBain, then follow signs. For additional information call (231) 846-1857.

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- ✚ **Brad Pluger** continues to make progress through therapy at Hope Network in Grand Rapids. Please pray for continued healing and patience.
- ✚ **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 Central Asia)
Email: mslack@crcna.org
- ✚ **Our Active Military:**
 - **SSgt, Tyler Bode** (US Airforce; currently stationed in Italy).
Please contact the church office for mailing information

OUR CHURCH WEEK: MARCH 24-30

SUN 3/24	9:15 AM	Prayer
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	-----	NO Sunday School & Catechism (Spring Break)
	1-5:00 PM	Youth Building Use
	4:30 PM	Fellowship Bible Study –Lesson 6
TUES 3/26	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study –Lesson 1 (New Study: Esther)
WED 3/27	-----	NO Screwtape Letters Bible Study (Spring Break)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study will meet in the Fellowship hall at 4:30 pm this evening for Lesson 6 of their study on “Angels”. Potluck to follow.

The Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study will be looking at Lesson 1 of their study on “Esther” this week beginning at 9:30 am

Please note the following schedule changes due to Spring Break:

- No Sunday School or Catechism (3/24 & 3/31)
- No Screwtape Letters Bible Study (3/27)

Upcoming Services: Please join us this coming Friday, March 29 at 7:00 pm for our Good Friday Service & Communion. Nursery will be provided. We then invite everyone back for Easter Sunday Worship as we celebrate the Risen Savior, March 31 at 9:30 am.

Save the Date: Attention Junior High and High school Students: United Night of Worship is coming up on Sunday, April 28 from 6-8 pm. This is a bi-annual event for all area junior high and high school students and youth leaders. This event will be held at the Elenbaas Auditorium at McBain School.

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 **March/April** we would like to start out with **SMALL TOYS**— Baby dolls, toy cars, soccer balls with pumps, toy animals, stress balls, bouncy balls, books, flashlights/batteries, jump rope etc. A tote labeled for the donations each month is in the Fellowship Hall. Please feel free to purchase any of these items at any time as we greatly appreciate all the support.

Marion Schools Mentoring Program: The Marion Elementary School has recently reached out to our congregation to inquire about mentorship opportunities with their students. This program would be similar to Kid's Hope, in that it will ask for a one hour (approximate) time commitment from all mentors each week and mentors will be paired with students through a school/teacher referral process. It will be somewhat different in that the school will also be reaching out to community members, retired teachers, etc. to help fill the mentoring roles as well. This program will also be monitored by the counselor and/or superintendent at the school, as opposed to a director through Highland. The school would like to start matching students to mentors the beginning of April. If you are interested in a mentorship role, please reach out to Carrie Thompson at (231) 250-7517 or through the church office.

Youth Group Needs: In an effort to avoid last-minute planning and in order to nurture the student-led high school youth group format that began this year, the Education team is beginning our search for youth group leaders now. For next fall, we are in need of high school leaders and helpers. If you are willing to help out, please contact Megan Pluger (231-342-4830).

- **High-school:** Youth leaders will come alongside the student leadership team to guide them in planning youth group activities and lesson topics. HS youth leaders will also give the lesson and lead small group discussions. HS youth helpers will support the leaders each week and help lead small group discussions.
- **Middle School:** We also need middle school youth group helpers. Adam and Maggie Southwick will continue to lead the MS youth group. We are looking for others who will come alongside them to give support and help facilitate each week.

The AMEN Chorus will begin rehearsals for their Spring Program on Saturday, April 6 from 5:30 - 7:30 at Cadillac CRC. These rehearsals will prepare us for our program on Sunday, May 12 at 3:00 at the United Methodist Church in Cadillac. If you would like to join this wonderful group of men in lifting our praise through song please join us! We ask that you bring \$10 to cover the cost of music. If you have any questions feel free to contact director Angela Warner at kirkangelawarner@hotmail.com

The Women's Philharmonic Chorus will begin practicing on Saturday, April 6 from 4:00 - 5:15 at Cadillac CRC to prepare for an afternoon program on Monday, May 6. If you enjoy singing and would like to be a part of a choir, we encourage you to join this wonderful group of women. Any questions can be directed to Angela Warner at kirkangelawarner@hotmail.com