

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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am

May 17	South: Dale & Bev Taylor; Den & Bev Kamphouse
May 24	South: Ken & Jodi Meyering; North: Jon & Michelle Dracht
May 31	South: Virginia Dodde; North: Kevin & Jodi DeHate
June 7	South: Curt & Becky Wemple; North: Paul & Jan Rivera

NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am

May 17	Mikayla Power, DaNay Tossey, Franklin Baas
May 24	Jackie Schmid, Megan Pluger, Ben Thompson
May 31	Lauren Smith, Cindy Vennema, Kendyn Meyering
June 7	Patti Koop, Anne Thomas, Evan Wemple

CHILDREN’S CHURCH – (September – May; Sundays Only)

----- ****Summer Break**** Children’s Church will resume September 13

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

May 17	Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
May 24	Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
May 31	Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Deborah Ouwinga
June 7	Matt Thompson, Jon Ouwinga, Micah Chrispell

USHERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am

May:	Scott Oeverman, Devin DeHate, Bob Vennema, James Bazuin
June:	Kyle Meyering, Alan Thomas, Jerry Koop, Franklin Baas

2ND OFFERINGS:

May:	June:
3 rd : Booster Club	7 th : Booster Club
10 th : Matt & Emily Slack	14 th : Josh & Mandy Shaarda
17 th : Benevolence	21 st : World Renew
24 th : George & Sarah De Vuyst	28 th : Capital Improvement Fund
31 st : Capital Improvement Fund	



We are incredibly grateful to God for you, our volunteers and for your loving service to the Church and the community. We want you to now that your work has not gone unnoticed. God bless you for your generosity, and thank you for being a blessing to others.



June 17, 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
 Sunday School & Catechism: 10:40 am - 11:30 am (Sept-May)

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion, MI
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 www.highlandcrc.org



**Welcome to
HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
May 17, 2026**

The People of God Gather:

Prelude: *There is Power in the Blood*

Welcome & God's Greeting

Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:

Prayer of Praise

Come Christians, Join to Sing (vs 1 & 2)

Isaiah 52:7

Our God Reigns (vs 1-3)

To Pray and Serve God

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: Marilyn Visser

Song of Preparation: *Ancient Words (vs 1-2)*

Scripture - Exodus 12:12-20

Sermon - *Passover: Salvation, Communal, Lasting celebration*

Prayer of Response

Song of Response: *Jesus Shall Reign*

Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Benevolence

To Go in God's Name

God's Blessing

Closing Song: *He Is Lord (vs 1, 2 & 4)*

Postlude

*Nursery is available year-round downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old.
Children's Bulletins are available on the information table in the fellowship hall.
Children's Church is currently on break but will resume September 13, 2026.*

COMING UP:

Next Communion:

Sunday, July 12, 2026

Next Council Meetings:

Monday, June 8, 2026

6:30 pm Elders

7:00 pm Deacons

7:30 pm Full Council

Preaching Schedule:

May 17: Rev. Ashley Bonnes

May 24: Rev. Mark Bonnes

May 31: Rev. Mark Bonnes

June 7: Rev. Mark Bonnes

June 14: Rev. Mark Bonnes

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Council Officers for 2026:

President	Steve Meeuwenberg	Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes Please contact the 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: Cindy Vennema

Education: Megan Pluger

Facilities: Greg Hesselink & Devon Dracht

Outreach: Committee

Prayer: Sandy Rice

Service: Carrie Thompson

Worship: 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.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS:

The Roaring 20's is a Life group for anyone in their 20's, and you're invited. We will be meeting on May 20 at 6:30 pm. At Rehoboth Church. We start with dinner and then go into a study. No need to prep ahead of time. Come as you are!

McBain Area Ministers is sponsoring a series of **Freedom in Christ Bible Study** groups for men of all ages across our community. The Freedom Course is a great way to connect more closely with God and get unstuck in your faith journey along with other men. If you would like more information, please contact Pastor Adam from Vogel Center CRC at (616) 566-7937.

Next Versiti Blood Drive is scheduled for Wednesday, June 10 from 1:30-6:00 pm in the church fellowship hall. Donating blood takes about an hour of your time and has the potential to impact up to three lives! Please consider this life-saving opportunity! Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome as the schedule allows. To schedule your donation, please call (866) 642-5663 or visit Versiti.org/mi.

Classis Northern Michigan is in need of a new treasurer. Any person who may be interested can contact Rog Hoeksema, Stated Clerk, for a job description and application form at northmichclerk@gmail.com or (231) 878-4993. Applications are due no later than July 15, 2026.

2026-2027 Enrollment at NMCS is OPEN! Admissions and enrollment for next year is now open! Visit www.nmcs.us and select Fall 2026-Spring 2027 school year to apply for a new student or re-enroll. Applications for financial aid are also available. Please contact Jordyn Richardson at jrichardson@nmcs.us or call (231) 825-2492 if you have questions on admissions/enrollment or Cari Gommesen at cgommesen@nmcs.us or (231) 825-2492 x3903 with questions on Financial aid and tuition assistance.

THANK YOU

We want to thank everyone for your prayers, visits calls, texts, cards, and gifts during Gracyn's time in the hospital. We want to say a special thank you to the prayer warrior team here at Highland for covering our family and others in prayer. God bless you!
~Adam, Laura, Gracyn & Easton Swiler

Dear Highland Family, we want to express our sincere gratitude for your love and support, kind words of comfort, visits, delicious food and your prayers. We truly appreciate all that you have done for our mom and our families. God Bless all of you. ~
The Bonnie Veddler Family

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

Shut-ins: We remember and lift up in prayer our shut-ins that can't always join us in person each week: Ruth Bazuin (Quiet Creek) Freda Eisenga (Curry House), Tim Bode, Bob Keen & Ron Sikkema. We pray too for the family/caregivers by their side.

Judy Eisenga continues to heal from corrective surgery on her left foot. Please pray for a smooth recovery and much needed relief from pain.

Greg Hesselink underwent right knee replacement surgery this past Thursday, May 14 in Cadillac. Please pray for healing and a smooth recovery.

Chris Sheats is now home in Cadillac. Please continue to pray for his protection from any viruses or illness as his immune system is redeveloping and for patience for both Chris and his family.

Josh and Mandy Shaarda and family have safely returned to Uganda (with all their luggage). Please pray for a smooth transition back into life in Obule.

Update: Colter Bailey had his broviac central line removed this past Thursday. He will now be receiving partial immunotherapy medicines but these can be done at home. This will continue once a month through August with clinic visits once a month to keep an eye on blood counts. After that, he will be on a maintenance chemo pill for 2 years with frequent scan. We are all thankful to be home together, trying to figure out what "normal" looks like again! Thanks for all your prayers, ~The Bailey Family

- **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:

- **TSgt, Tyler Bode** (US Airforce; currently stationed in Italy).
- **CMSgt, Michael Stahl** (US Airforce, currently serving in the Middle East).

- **Profession of Faith/Adult Baptism:** The elders heard Ardie Sikkema's profession of faith. We were delighted to hear her story of God's faithfulness and resoundingly approved her for baptism and profession of faith. Ardie's baptism is scheduled for June.
- **Elevator Update:** We are waiting on parts and then hopefully the elevator will be fixed soon.
- **Children at the Table:** The elders again discussed children partaking in communion. Pastor Mark is going to preach on the topic on May 24. In June, we will schedule time after church for question and answer sessions. These sessions will be a time to learn, discuss, and understand what and why children at the table means for Highland.

TREASURER'S REPORT – APRIL 2026

April General Fund		2nd Offerings	
5th	8,477.00	Booster Club	1,221.00
12th	4,260.00	Sleep In Heavenly Peace	6,698.00
19th	8,057.00	Parking Lot	7,070.00
26th	8,904.57	Capital Improvement	2,846.00
Total April Offerings	29,698.57		
Budget needed weekly	6,627.06	Parking Lot Fund	45,442.50
Times 17 weeks	112,660.05	Offering	<u>7,070.00</u>
Received to date	<u>126,341.92</u>	Parking Lot Fund	52,512.50
Balance	13,681.87		

SUN 5/17	9:15 AM	Prayer
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:40 AM	Sunday School/Catechism Finale – Parents welcome!
	4:30 PM	Fellowship Bible Study – Lesson 4
	5-8:00 PM	YB Use
MON 5/18	5:30 PM	Wellness Warriors (YB)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday School will have their year-end celebration this morning starting at 10:40 am in the sanctuary. Parents are welcome to watch the award presentations followed by games in the new basement.

Fellowship Bible Study will meet tonight for Lesson 4 of their regular study of Proverbs followed by a potluck supper.

VBS Director Position: Highland church is still looking for 1 more volunteer to serve alongside 2 others as VBS co-coordinators. This year's VBS is scheduled for July 13-16 so please contact Jodi DeHate as soon as possible for more information.

Attention Parents of 2026 Graduates: as we quickly approach the upcoming graduation season we are asking that parents/guardians of the 2026 grads send in a photo and the info noted below of their graduate to the church office by May 19:

- Graduate's Name
- College/High School/Home School Program they are graduating from
- Future Plans (College/Workforce)
- Name of Parents/Guardians

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Update: Thank you everyone! Between the second offering and items donated, we have been blown away by the outpouring of support.

Christmas Shoebox Collection: Thank you for your continued support of Operation Christmas Child. We are on our way to another great year! Throughout **May/June**, we will be collecting HYGIENE ITEMS: Toothbrushes and toothbrush holders, combs, hair brushes, hair ties/bows, washcloths, bars of soap, Band-aids, lip balm, etc. ****NO TOOTHPASTE****. 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.

J.O.Y. Group's Summer Cookout: Join us in Bob and Cindy Vennema's back yard for a cookout and fun on Tuesday, June 9, at 12:30 pm. Burgers, buns, drinks and dinnerware will be provided. Bring a dish to pass if you are able. ****For food-prep purposes, please sign-up if you plan to attend.**