

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

NURSERY

May 26 Melissa Oeverman, Cindy Vennema, Patti Koop, Charlotte Thomas

June 2 Brooke Benthem, Lizelle Bazuin, Julie Dorman, Emerson Tossey

June 9 Bev Kamphouse, Kasey McQuestion, Shari Benthem, Kendyn Meyering

June 16 Jan Rivera, Karen Oeverman, Becky Wemple, Evan Wemple

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Summer Break – No Children's Church

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

May 26 Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Kendra Jenema

June 2 Matt Thompson, Jon Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga

June 9 Kyle Meyering, Deb Eisenga, Deborah Ouwinga

June 16 Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate

USHERS

May Ken VanPolen Jr; Gary Hesselink, Kevin Eisenga, Aaron Koetje

June: Larry Visser, Butch Karsten, Dale Medendorp, Franklin Baas

GREETERS – PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9:15 AM

May 26 South: Scott & Karen Oeverman; North: Greg & Laura Hesselink

June 2 South: Larry & Marilyn Visser; North: Lindsay & Amara Beerens

June 9 South: Matt & Carrie Thompson; North: Devon & Hillary Dracht

June 16 South: Bob & Cindy Vennema; North: Jean Venema

2ND OFFERINGS:

May:

5th: Booster Club

12th: Mississippi Trip

19th: Benevolence

26th: Existing Building Fund

June:

2nd: Booster Club

9th: World Renew

16th: Josh and Mandy Shaarda

23rd: Benevolence

31st: Existing Building Fund

If you are unavailable to serve on your scheduled day, please find a replacement. If you need directory assistance, please call the church office during normal office hours, (231) 825-2171.



May 26, 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

Sunday Worship 9:30 am

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion

www.highlandcrc.org

Sunday School & Catechism

(231) 825-2171

10:40 am – 11:30 am (Sept-May)

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am

May 26, 2024

Memorial Day Weekend

The People of God Gather:

Opening Song: *The Father's House*

Welcome & God's Greeting

Greet One Another

To Praise God

The Lord's Prayer

Lifesong

Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: Greg Tossey

Song of Preparation: *How Great Thou Art*

Scripture: Proverbs 1:8-9 & Proverbs 7

Message: "Listen My Child..."

Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory: *Raise A Hallelujah*

Today's Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Existing Building Fund

To Go in God's Name

God's blessing

Closing Song: *The Blessing*

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.
- Today is the last day of **Children's Church & Sunday School / MS Catechism.**

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

Monday, June 10

6:30 pm Elders

7:00 pm Deacons

7:30 pm Full Council

PREACHING SCHEDULE:

May 26 – Rev. Mark Bonnes

June 2 – Rev. Mark Bonnes

June 9 – Rev. Mark Bonnes

June 16 – Guest Pastor

June 23 – Rev. Ashley Bonnes

June 30 – Guest Pastor

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

Email: office@highlandcrc.org

Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs 8:30 am – 2:00 pm

Fri-Sun: Closed

****The office will be closed 5/27 for Memorial Day****

All Bulletin announcements must be submitted to the office by 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

Attention all Quilters and Sewing Crafters: Project Canefire is having a Fabric and Notions Drive in MAY. Project Canefire is in need of fabric pieces and notions that are no longer being used. We will be sending a container at the end of the summer with supplies for the PC teams to use in the next 3-4 years. We are desperately in need of unused fabric and notions including threads, ribbons, seam tapes, pins, needles and buttons and any other sewing tools that would aid in the sewing classes. Please contact Betsy Diemer to pick up your items. Thank you!

You Are Invited to a Wedding Reception & Gospel Sing: Sidney J. King & Virginia M Sweet Beebe King would like to invite you to their wedding reception and a gospel-sing. **June 8th, 2024** at 12 pm at Ken & Brenda DeZeeuw's home, (9773 W. Falmouth Rd; McBain, MI 49657). No gifts please. Donation boxes will be available at the reception on behalf of *The Gideons International & Footprints in Time*. You are welcome to bring a lawn chair. Lunch will be served at 12:30 pm. Please RSVP to Brenda DeZeeuw if you plan to attend the lunch. Gospel sing will start at 2:00 pm. If you come for the singing only, there is no need to RSVP.

Community Hope is pleased to announce that we are hosting a **Women's Retreat, Sept. 20-22** at Timber Wolf Lake Camp in Lake City, MI. Our hope is that women from the Northern Michigan area and beyond will gather that weekend to worship the Lord, celebrate the goodness of His abundant gifts in our lives and connect more deeply not only with Christ, but the women around us. The results could be a growing community of more loving hearts, homes, work places and churches! For more information, check out the green insert with this bulletin.

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- ✚ Our condolences to the family of **Carol Niver** as she passed away with family by her side this past Monday, May 20, at the age of 80. The visitation and memorial service were held at Highland Church this past Friday and Saturday.
- ✚ Please continue to pray for **Dale & Faye Fredin** as they work with doctors to determine the best course of treatment for Dale and for healing from the cancer.
- ✚ **Synod:** Please pray for men and women that will be attending Synod June 14-20, 2024. Please pray for wisdom and that the decisions made will be inspired by the Holy Spirit. Please pray for the representatives of Classis Northern Michigan that will be attending Synod: Rev. Mark Bonnes (Highland CRC), Rev. Steve Datema (Friendship CRC), Scott Chandler (Elder, Friendship Church) & Jared Yapple (Elder, Watershed Church)
- ✚ Please pray for **Matthew & Emily Slack** as they await VISA renewals.
- ✚ A ministry/prayer letter from **George & Sarah De Vuyst** is now available on the Missions bulletin board in the east wing.
- ✚ A ministry/prayer letter from **Josh & Mandy Shaarda** is now available on the Missions bulletin board in the east wing.

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>
 - **Lydia Shaarda** is currently working with YWAM in Africa. Her monthly prayer letters are also available on the Missions bulletin board.
- ✚ **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: MAY 26 – JUNE 1

SUN 5/26	9:15 AM 9:30 AM -----	Prayer Worship Service No Fellowship Bible Study
MON 5/27	-----	Memorial Day - Offices Closed
TUES 5/28	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study – Lesson 9 (final lesson)
SAT 6/1	All day	Youth Building Use

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Fellowship Bible Study will be on break May 26-June 16. Lessons will resume June 23 & 30 in the MS Youth room downstairs, for their DVD-series “Cultures in Conflict”.

The Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study will be wrapping up the season with Lesson 9 of their study on “Esther” this Tuesday beginning at 9:30 am.

****Modified Office Hours** -The church office will be CLOSED Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day

Next Sunday (June 2) we look forward to celebrating two infant baptisms:

- Eleanor James Dykhouse, daughter of Cole & Miranda Dykhouse
- Rylee Scott McQuestion, son of Ryan & Kasey McQuestion

J.O.Y. Summer Cookout: Join us in Bob and Cindy Vennema’s back yard for burgers and fun on Tuesday, June 11, at 12:30 pm. Bring a dish to pass. Sign up in the fellowship hall today if you plan to attend as this helps our coordinators with preparations.

Help Needed: We are looking for someone to serve alongside Anne Thomas as co-director of our VBS program. VBS will be held July 8-11 this year. Please contact Anne or the church office as soon as possible if interested!

Christmas Shoebox: Throughout the year we are collecting items on a monthly basis to help fill our Christmas Shoeboxes this November. For **May/June:** HYGIENE ITEMS: Toothbrushes and toothbrush holders, Combs, hairbrushes, hair ties/bows, washcloths, bars of soap, Band-Aids, lip balm, 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.

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 Banner- is a monthly periodical published by the Christian Reformed Church in North America. The Christian Reformed Church decided at Synod 2004 that the print version of *The Banner* is no longer be a “fee-for-subscription” based magazine. Instead it is now a partially subsidized publication sent to every household in the Christian Reformed Church. In an effort to avoid duplicate subscriptions, please contact the Highland church office if you are not yet (but want to be) receiving this monthly publication. *The Banner* is also available through their mobile app, weekly emails (*The Banner Update*) or you can find them on Facebook and Twitter. For more information about options available to you, please contact either the Highland church office or visit www.thebanner.org/about-us.

Marion Schools Mentoring Program: The Marion Elementary School has recently reached out to our congregation as well as community members to inquire about mentorship opportunities with their students. This program is similar to Kid's Hope, in that it will ask for a one hour (approximate) time commitment from all mentors. All mentors will be paired with students through a school/teacher referral process. This program will be monitored by the counselor and/or superintendent at the school. The school would like to start matching students to mentors as soon as possible and continue into the next academic year. If you are interested in a mentorship role, either starting yet this school year or next, please contact Carrie Thompson or the church office if you have any additional questions!