

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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am

June 15	South: Matt & Carrie Thompson; North: Devon & Hillary Dracht
June 22	South: Bob & Cindy Vennema; North: C.J. & Sara Bruno
June 29	South: Jean Venema; North: Kevin & Tami Eisenga
July 6	South: Steph & Sam VanHouten, North: Jim & Bev Ouwinga

NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am

June 15	Patti Koop, Anne Thomas, Brooke Benthem, Jayden Benthem
June 22	Lizelle Bazuin, Julie Dorman, Bev Kamphouse, Charlotte Thomas
June 29	Kasey McQuestion, Shari Benthem, Jan Rivera, Madelyn Oeverman
July 6	Dana Baas, Jennifer Peterson, Becky Wemple, Franklin Baas

CHILDREN’S CHURCH – (September – May)

****SUMMER BREAK – No Children’s Church****

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

June 15	Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga
June 22	Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Kendra Jenema
June 29	Matt Thompson, Kaylie Benthem, Deborah Ouwinga
July 6	Cary Sikkema, Jon Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate

USHERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am

June	Alan Baas, Kyle Meyering, Scott Akom, Brandon Veddler
July	Scott Oeverman, Ken Roede, Todd Schmid, Jun Brinks

2ND OFFERINGS:

JUNE	1st- Booster Club	JULY	6 th : Booster Club
	8th- World Renew		13 th : George & Sarah DeVuyst
	15th- Josh & Mandy Shaarda		20 th : Parking Lot Project
	22nd- Capital Improvement Fund		27 th : Capital Improvement Fund
	29th- Prayer Safar		

Thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers!



June 15, 2025

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)

Welcome to
HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
June 15, 2025
Happy Father’s Day

The People of God Gather:

Prelude
Welcome & God’s Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God Almighty! (vs 1,3,4)
Behold Our God (vs 1-3)
Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me (vs 1,3,4,)
Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God
Announcements
Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God’s Word
Children’s Message: Linda Wing
Song of Preparation: *The First Place (vs 1-2)*
Scripture: Colossians 1:15-23

Title: *If the Gospel is True...*
Prayer of Response
Song of Response/Offertory: *In Christ Alone (vs 1-4)*
Today’s Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Josh & Mandy Shaarda

To Go in God’s Name
God’s Blessing
Closing Song: *Faith of Our Fathers (vs 1,3)*
Postlude

- **Children’s Bulletins** are available on the information table in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Nursery** is available year-round downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old.
- **Children’s Church** is on Summer break but will resume in the **September**.

COUNCIL CORNER:

Next Communion:
Sunday, July 13,

2025Next Council Meetings:
Monday, July 14 2025
6:30 pm Elders
7:00 pm Deacons
7:30 pm Full Council

Preaching Schedule:
June 1: Rev. Ashley Bonnes
June 8: Rev. Mark Bonnes
June 15: Rev. Mark Bonnes
June 22: Rev. Mark Bonnes
June 29: Rev. Mark Bonnes

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Council Officers for 2025:

President	Mark Eisenga	Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes *Please contact the church office for contact information (231) 825-2171
Vice President	Ken Meyering	
Clerk	Bob Vennema	
Sec. of Deacons	Carrie Thompson	
Vice Treasurer	James Bazuin	

Districts for 2025:

Elders	District	Deacons
Jerry Nemeth	#1, A-C	Carrie Thompson
Jason Benthem	#2, D-E	Jon Ouwinga
Bob Vennema	#3, F-L	Curt Wemple
Mark Eisenga	#4, M-O	Gary Hesselink
Joe Kulhawick	#5, P-T	Ryan McQuestion
Ken Meyering	#6, U-Z	James Bazuin

CHURCH OFFICE INFO:	MINISTRY LEADERS:
Phone: (231) 825-2171 Email: office@highlandcrc.org * * * * *	Care & Fellowship Team – Cindy Vennema Education Team – Megan Pluger Facilities Team – Greg Hesselink & Devon Dracht Outreach Team – Interim Committee Led Prayer Team – Sandy Rice Service Team – Carrie Thompson Worship Team – Bonnie McBride
Normal Office Hours: Mon. –Thurs: 8:30 am – 2 pm Fri.-Sun: CLOSED *bulletin announcements are due by NOON on Thursdays.	

Volunteers Needed to Water Flowers: We are looking for volunteers to help keep our beautiful outdoor flowers watered throughout the summer. Please check the sign-up sheet on the information table for the week(s) that work for you.

Raspberry Jam for Highland – Through the hard work and generosity of one of our members, over the next several Sundays, 12 oz. low-sugar containers of raspberry jam will be available in the in the East wing on Sundays and in the church kitchen freezer during the week. These are available by donation. All proceeds will be divided evenly between Life Resources of Northern Michigan and our Highland Booster Club. Please make all checks payable to Highland CRC with “Jam” in the memo. A jar is available alongside the cooler or you may also leave your donation with Sara in the church office.

Christmas Shoebox Collection: Throughout the year we have been asking the congregation for ongoing support and donations toward our annual Christmas Shoebox Collection. We are collecting these items on a monthly basis. For **May/June**, we will be collecting HYGIENE ITEMS: Toothbrushes & tooth brush holders, combs, hairbrushes, hair-ties/bows, wash cloths, Band-aids, lip balm, etc. **** No toothpaste or soap ****. All of these items are greatly appreciated! There is a tote labeled “Christmas Shoebox” available in the fellowship hall for the donations needed each month. Monetary donations will also be accepted as well! Please contact Becky Wemple or the church office if you have any questions and thank you for your ongoing support and generosity!

VBS at Prosper CRC June 16-19 from 9am - 11am. All children in Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to **Wonder Junction** to embark on the trip of a Lifetime. There’s no greater joy than to praise the name of the Lord all day long. But how can our kids do that if they don’t know who Jesus is or what he’s done for them? Wonder and amazement will await us each day at Wonder Junction, where kids will *marvel at Jesus and live for His glory*. A family lunch will follow each day.

Prosper CRC Seeking Applicants for Office Administrator Position: Due to the June 13 retirement of our long-serving Office Administrator, the Prosper Christian Reformed Church is seeking interested applicants to fill this position. If interested, please contact Elder Henry Diemer (231-878-2523) or Gary Gandolfi (989-329-3690), no later than June 6. This position requires 18 to 25 hours of work each week, and is well paid with benefits. A full job description can be obtained upon request. Thank You!

Clam River Chapel is hosting a 9-week Evangelism class starting July 6th Sunday evenings. 4:45-6:00pm using the book “Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God” by J.I. Packer and Village Missions CDI program. Our goal is to help encourage and better equipped Christians to share their faith. If interested in participating you can contact Pastor Stephen Chapman for more information at vmpastor2020@gmail.com.

THANK YOU

Dear Highland CRC Family, your generous support in prayer, care and financial gifts for Resonate Global Mission shows that mission support worldwide is a priority to you. The ministries of those missionaries are truly extensions of your work and mission in Marion. Thank you all for your encouraging partnership as we share the love of Jesus together. ~Randy Bohl, for Resonate Global Missions

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- Please pray for comfort and strength each day for **Bob and Lori Hesselink** as they battle the effects of Bob’s cancer.
- Please continue to lift up fervent prayers for **Colter Bailey**, youngest son of Justin and Kait (Eisenga) Bailey. Colter was diagnosed with neuroblastoma this past spring. Please pray for strength and healing for Colter as well as strength and guidance for his parents and the medical team by his side through this journey.
- **Lydia Shaarda** is currently in Thailand where she is serving with Project Rescue from June 2 to July 14. While there, she will join the team in a variety of ways: intercession and relationship outreach, ministering among refugees, prison ministry, and serving in the international church the missionaries attend. Lydia is asking for prayers for safety and strengthened faith in Jesus especially in times of fear and uncertainty.
- **Pastor John Kostelyk** was discharged from the U of M hospital this past Wednesday. Thank you for the continued prayers for John, Arla & their family through this journey.
- **Synod 2025:** Please pray for the men and women that will be attending Synod 2025 June 13-19. Please pray for wisdom and that the decisions made will be led by the Holy Spirit. Please pray for the representatives of Classis Northern Michigan that will be attending Synod: Rev. Todd Kuperus, Rev. Steve Datema, and Andy Liimata

OUR MISSIONARIES:

**** Please make a point to check the MISSIONS bulletin board for ministry updates and monthly/quarterly prayer letters. ****

- **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 London, England)**

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:

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

HIGHLAND COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS • JUNE 9, 2025

- Parking Lot Project Fundraiser: Pledge envelopes will be made available to the congregation in the coming weeks. Our first offering for the parking lot project will be July 20.
- Age for voting in a congregational meeting: Council passed the motion that confessing members of any age that have made a public profession of their faith are granted the privilege of voting on church matters during a congregational meeting. Council does encourage parents with teens who are able to vote, to have discussions beforehand so that they understand what is taking place and why.
- Highland’s annual church picnic has been scheduled for August 24.
- Mutual Censure was taken. Communion is scheduled for July 13.

TREASURER’S REPORT • MAY 2025

May General Fund		2nd Offerings	
4th	6,397.00	Booster Club	852.00
11th	7,205.00	George & Sarah DeVuyst	1,249.00
18th	12,941.00	Highland GEMS	543.00
25th	5,358.91	GEMS Girls Club	532.00
		Capital Improvement	1,328.00
Total May Offerings	31,901.91		
Budget needed weekly	6,341.59		
Times 17 weeks	107,806.98		
Received to date	101,442.89		
Balance	(6,364.09)		

OUR CHURCH WEEK: JUNE 15-21

SUN 06/15	9:15 AM 9:30 AM	Prayer Worship Service
THURS 06/19	All Day	Church Use
FRI 06/20	All Day	Church Use
SAT 06/21	11 AM-3 PM	Fellowship Hall Use

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today we celebrate the dads and father-figures and the impact they have on our lives. We honor those with us today as well as those who have passed but will remain in our hearts forever.

Grocery Shower: Please help us bless Nick Ouwinga and Rose Clark with a grocery shower! A basket will be available in the fellowship hall through June 22. Their wedding is scheduled for this coming Friday, June 20.

GEMS/Centershot: The Education Team invites you to join them in expressing our sincere gratitude to Maggie Southwick and Devon Dracht for their years of leadership as directors of our GEMS and Centershot programs and we look forward to seeing their faces in other areas of service at Highland. The Education team also would like to encourage you to consider these roles as we will need each one filled before our next Family Night season begins in October. Please contact Megan Pluger if interested or if you would like more information.

4th Annual Highland Fishing Tournament 2025 - Get your boat in the water and head to Lake Missaukee! We'll meet June 29, straight out from the County Park beach to start at 3:00 pm. Weight-in time will be at 7:00 pm at the pavilion by the boat launch with prizes and pizza to follow! ** You WILL need a fishing license for this event! ** Get your boat in the water and head to Lake Missaukee! Prizes will be awarded in multiple categories!!! -All kids 10 & under will win a prize if they send a picture of their catch from their boat!

Save the Date: Highland’s “True North” VBS 2025 will be **July 21-24 from 6-8 pm**. This event is for 4 years old up to those entering 6th grade. Dinner will be provided at 5:30 pm for all volunteers and their families. Please consider one of the many volunteering opportunities (posted in the fellowship hall) that are vital to making this event a success. More information to follow in the coming weeks.

VBS Director Position: I have loved directing VBS for the last 14 years, but this will be my last year. It's time for some fresh leadership and ideas! If anyone is interested in taking over next year and would like to work alongside me this year, please get ahold of me at church or at 878-2131. -Anne Thomas