

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

NURSERY

June 30 Nicole Schutlz, Maggie Southwick, Donna Veddler, Karsyn Meyering

July 7 Esther Bode, Diane Nemeth, Barb Dore, Harper Tossey

July 14 Jodi DeHate, Tami Eisenga, Jodi Meyering, Leah Thompson

July 21 Mikayla Powers, Mary Rees, DaNay Tossey, Elijah Rees

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Summer Break – No Children’s Church

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

June 30 Kyle Meyering, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga

July 7 Cary Sikkema, Jon Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate

July 14 Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Deborah Ouwinga

July 21 Kyle Meyering, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga

USHERS

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

July: Jim Ouwinga, Greg Hesselink, Dale Taylor, Adam Swiler

GREETERS – PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9:15 AM

June 30 South: Jim & Bev Ouwinga; North: Steve & Sue Meeuwenberg

July 7 South: Paul & Carole Shaarda; North: Dale & Bev Taylor

July 14 South: Bonnie Veddler; North: Paul & Jan Rivera

July 21 South: Kyle & Abby Meyering; North: Curt & Becky Wemple

2ND OFFERINGS:

June:

2nd: Booster Club

9th: World Renew

16th: Josh and Mandy Shaarda

23rd: Benevolence

31st: Existing Building Fund

July:

7th: Booster Club

14th: Oasis

21st: Life Resources

28th: 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.



June 30, 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

www.highlandcrc.org

Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Sunday School & Catechism

10:40 am – 11:30 am (Sept-May)

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion

(231) 825-2171

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am

June 30, 2024

Please welcome Rev. Bill Van Der Heide as he leads our worship this morning.

The People of God Gather:

Prelude – *Special Music; Erin McPherson*

Welcome & God's Greeting

Greet One Another

To Praise God

Marvelous Grace (vs 1, 3)

Before the Throne of God Above (vs 1-2)

By Grace We Have Been Saved (vs 2-3)

Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: Marilyn Visser

Song of Preparation: *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

Scripture: John 7:53-8:11; Matthew 1-5; John 3:16

Title: Words of Grace

Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory: *Special Music; Erin McPherson*

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

To Go in God's Name

God's blessing

Closing Song: *For Freedom, Christ Has Set Us Free (vs 1, 3)*

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, Sunday School & Catechism are on summer break but will resume in September.**

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

Monday, July 15

(3rd Monday due to VBS)

6:30 pm Elders

7:00 pm Deacons

7:30 pm Full Council

PREACHING SCHEDULE:

June 30 – Rev. Bill Vander Heide

July 7 – Rev. Mark Bonnes

July 14 – Rev. Mark Bonnes

July 21 – Rev. Mark Bonnes

July 28 – Rev. David McBride

Aug 4 – Josh & Mandy Shaarda

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 Contact Info:

Phone: (231) 825-2171

Email: office@highlandcrc.org

Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday

8:30 am – 2:00 pm

**All bulletin announcements must be submitted to the church 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

World Renew DRS Responds to Flooding in Iowa- Following extreme rainfall in northwestern Iowa, record river levels led to significant flooding, damaging 2,000 properties—including churches—and displacing 1,000 people into shelters. With disaster declarations spanning over 20 counties, communities in Iowa have been left reeling in the aftermath. World Renew Disaster Response Services is currently organizing a response, offering volunteer clean-up services, including mold remediation and debris removal to help families return to safe, dry homes. For more information or to donate by phone, please call us at: 1-800-552-7972. You can also visit <https://worldrenew.net/disasters/responding-to-flooding-in-iowa>.

ENCOUNTER Night of Worship - Summer Series: Come join a mix of worship leaders from Cadillac and McBain for a respite from the craziness of summer and some time to rest in the presence of our God through worship! Cookies and fellowship after worship! For additional information, check out Encounter Night of Worship on Facebook. Each event runs from 7-8:30 pm.

- July 9 at Jim & Renee Ransom's: 6249 Crosby Road, Cadillac, MI 49601
- August 6 at Stahl's Event Barn: 9421 S Lucas Road, McBain, MI 49657

Northern Michigan Christian School currently has two teaching positions open for the 2024-2025 school year. If you are interested in applying and joining the Comet Nation faculty family, please email Scott Curell (scurell@nmcs.us) or call NMCS at 231-825-2492.

- First grade classroom teacher (state of Michigan certification required)
- Third grade classroom teacher (state of Michigan certification required)

Save the Date: 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. Registration will open in July.

THANK YOU:

Thank you Highland CRC for your generous offering to cover the costs for current and future building projects. Thank you for partnering with us in this mission to build God's Kingdom. ~The Leadership Team of the spring break Mississippi trip to Port Gibson, Mississippi

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- ✚ **Dick Bruno** underwent extensive back surgery this past Tuesday. Please pray for healing and pain management through the recovery.
- ✚ **Dale Fredin** is currently receiving chemo treatments. Please pray that the side-effects will be minimal.
- ✚ Please continue to lift up **Brad & Abby Pluger** in prayer as they work with Drs. to determine the cause of Brad's recent grand mal seizure. Please pray too for patience during this set back and that medications will help prevent further seizure activity.

✚ OUR MISSIONARIES:

*Prayer Letters and Updates are available on our Missions bulletin board:

- ✚ **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 Central Asia)
Email: mslack@crcna.org

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:

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

PRAYER / DEVOTIONAL RESOURCES:

*Additional resources are available on the table by the library.

Here are two app suggestions for people interested in continuing the Lectio Divina practice introduced at the Spring Prayer Retreat:

- ✚ Lectio 365
- ✚ Lectio Divina Journal

OUR CHURCH WEEK: JUNE 30 – JULY 6

SUN 6/30	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 4:30 PM	Prayer Worship Service Fellowship Bible Study – in the MS Youth Room
TUES 7/2	7:00 PM	Praise 9 Practice (see additional details below)
THUR 7/4	-----	Independence Day – Offices Closed

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This morning we welcome back former Highland Pastor, **Rev. Bill Van Der Heide** as he leads our worship this morning.

Fellowship Bible Study will meet today at 4:30 pm, downstairs in the MS Youth room for Lesson 5 of their DVD-series “Cultures in Conflict”.

Praise 9 will be practicing this Tuesday, July 2 at 7:00 pm. Please remember to bring your music with you.

Modified Office Hours: In observation of Independence Day, Highland Church offices will be closed, Thursday, July 4th. Please have all bulletin announcements for July 7 turned in by noon on Wednesday, July 3. These can be dropped off on the office desk or submitted via email at office@highlandcrc.org. Thank you.

Scuba VBS 2024 will be hosted at Highland CRC from July 8-11, 2024. At Scuba VBS, kids explore what it means to have a friendship with God! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God’s love, and test out sciency-fun experiments that get imagination bubbling. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Classes are available for kids 4 years old up to those entering 6th Grade. Bring a friend!

VBS Volunteer Opportunities: Sign-up sheets are posted in the fellowship hall. We still need crew leaders & helpers as well as volunteers to help provide snacks. ****Dinner will be provided at 5:30 pm for all VBS volunteers and their families. Please check out the various opportunities for helping with this amazing ministry for our kids and community**

Food/Supplies Needed:

- Dinner items: salads, veggies & hot dishes.
- Snack items: Watermelons, cookies, cheese & crackers.
- Craft items: Purple scraps/remnants of fabric and empty shoeboxes (or boxes similar in size).

Christmas Shoebox: Throughout the year we are collecting items on a monthly basis to help fill our Christmas Shoeboxes this November. For **July/August-** SCHOOL SUPPLIES- Crayons, pencils, pencil sharpeners, glue sticks, markers, rulers, erasers, colored pencils, compasses or protractors, small solar calculators, 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 Food Pantry is in need of the following items: condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayo), gravy packets, rice packets, macaroni and cheese, diapers (sizes 3 and 4), canned soup, canned fruits and vegetables (they already have a lot of canned peaches and mixed veggies, so anything other than that), as well as small/medium boxes of cereal. Any questions, please let Carrie Thompson know!

The Education Team has several leadership positions that need to be filled for our fall programs. Please contact Megan Pluger if you are willing to help with any of the following:

- Children in Worship Coordinator
- Sunday School Superintendent
- High School Youth Group Leader

TONIGHT - Lucas CRC hosts, Dr. Jeffrey Weima of Calvin Theological Seminary:

You are invited to join us, June 30, 2024 at 6:00 pm as we host Dr. Jeffrey Weima from Calvin Theological Seminary. Dr. Weima is Professor of New Testament at Calvin. He is a sought-after speaker who is able to communicate well the truths of the Bible in an interesting, contemporary and practical manner. He has 6 published books and is also the author of numerous scholarly articles, academic essays and book reviews. He also leads biblical study tours to Greece, Turkey, Israel/Jordan, and Italy. For Additional information on Dr. Weima, please visit <https://calvinseminary.edu/profile/jeffrey-weima/>.

Community 4th of July Celebration at the Pond (across from the Clam River Chapel 6637 S Main Street; Falmouth, MI 49632) Live Music: “HARK UP” at 7pm; Free Community Dinner at 6pm: Sloppy Joes and Ice Cream. Bring your lawn chair and blankets. Fireworks at Dusk.

Help Needed: Friends Ministry relies on the dedication of volunteers to continue its ministry to the community. Volunteers are currently needed in the following areas:

- Afternoons in the Thrift Store (Lake City, Ewart & Harrison locations available)
- Drivers for deliveries
- Strong people for moving/pickup