

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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
July 5	South: Todd & Jackie Schmid; North: Greg & Laura Hesselink
July 12	South: Scott & Karen Oeverman; North: Jerry & Diane Nemeth
July 19	South: Larry & Marilyn Visser; North: Lindsay Beerens
July 26	South: Matt & Carrie Thompson; North: Devon & Hillary Dracht
NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
July 5	Jan Rivera, Karen Oeverman, Emma Lee
July 12	Dana Baas, Jennifer Peterson, Penny Bruno
July 19	Becky Wemple, Stephanie VanHouten, Amara Beerens
July 26	Ruth Kulhawick, Maggie Southwick, Khloe McQuestion
CHILDREN'S CHURCH – (September – May; Sundays Only)	
-----	**Summer Break** Children's Church will resume September 13
SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT	
July 5	Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Deborah Ouwinga
July 12	Kyle Meyering, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
July 19	Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
July 26	Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Deborah Ouwinga
USHERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
July:	Jun Brinks, Steve Meeuwenberg, Jim Ouwinga, Devon Dracht
August:	Aaron Pluger, Jon Dracht, Dale Taylor, Kevin Eisenga
2ND OFFERINGS:	
July: 5 th : Booster Club 12 th : Marion Food Pantry 19 th : REV Moms 26 th : Capital Improvement Fund	**Parking Lot Pledges can be turned in at the offering plate at any time using the pledge envelopes available on the information table**



*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.*



July 5, 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

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion, MI

Sunday School & Catechism:

10:40 am - 11:30 am (Sept-May)

(231) 825-2171 www.highlandcrc.org



Welcome to
HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
July 5, 2026

Please welcome **Pastor Doug Smith** who will lead our time of worship this morning.

The People of God Gather:

- Prelude
- Welcome & God’s Greeting
- Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:

- Behold Our God*
- How Great Thou Art (vs 1-3)*
- This is My Father’s World (vs 1-3)*
- Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

- Announcements
- Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God’s Word

- Children’s Message: Pastor Doug
- Song of Preparation: *God of Our Fathers (vs 1, 2 & 4)*

Scripture: Psalm 3
Sermon: The Perfect Family

- Prayer of Response
- Song of Response/Offertory: *Patriotic Hymn Medley* - Choir
- Today’s Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Booster Club

To Go in God’s Name

- God’s Blessing
- Closing Song: *Find Us Faithful*
- 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, September 13 2026

Next Council Meetings:
Monday, July 13, 2026
6:30 pm Elders
7:00 pm Deacons
7:30 pm Full Council
- Preaching Schedule:**
July 5 : Rev. Doug Smith
July 12 : Rev. Jim DeZeeuw
July 19 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
July 26 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
August 2 : Rev. Ashley Bonnes
August 9 : Rev. David McBride

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Council Officers for 2026:

President	Steve Meeuwenberg	Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes Please contact the church office for directory assistance.
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.

NOTES

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PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

Our condolences to Dollene VanPolen and family in the passing of her sister, **Wilma Bushor** on June 23. She was 74. Funeral services were held this past Monday in Cadillac. The full obituary is available at <https://www.petersonfh.com/obituaries/wilma-bushor/#!/Obituary>

Our condolences to Linda Ellens and family in the recent passing of her sister, **Deborah Mys** this past Monday, June 29. She was 71. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Chris Sheats Update: Chris recently met with his Surgeon to consider possibilities for his back. The L5 vertebra is completely gone, L4 and S1 are partially gone. His doctors have a plan but are just waiting on alignment between various departments and surgical teams. Once finalized, they plan for Chris to undergo 2 days of surgery. Day 1 they will go in from the front (4 to 5-hour surgery) to replace a ruptured disc with a cage. Day 2 they will go in through his back to place a plate, rods and pins along the damaged areas. Recovery after is about a year. Chris may never be without pain, but their goal is to reduce the amount of pain, stabilize the spine and save mobility.

Intentional Prayer for Our Nation: Highland's Prayer Ministry Team asks you to join them and thousands of Christians across the United States in prayer for the nation. We will pray for a specific topic each week from Memorial Day to the 4th of July:

- **07/05 Arts, Entertainment & Media** – *Creator God, inspire truth, beauty, and light. Cleanse every platform and gift to reflect Your glory and proclaim Your goodness throughout the nations.* –Psalm 47:1-2; Psalm 57: 9-10; 1 Peter 4:10

OUR MISSIONARIES:

- **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).

OUR CHURCH WEEK: JULY 5-11

SUN 7/5	9:15 AM	Prayer
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	-----	No Fellowship Bible Study; will resume in September
TUES 7/7	7:00 PM	Praise Team Practice
FRI 7/10	All day	Church Use
SAT 7/11	8-9:00 AM	FIC Bible Study (at alternate location)
	All Day	Church Use - Wedding

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Fellowship Bible Study is now on summer break with plans to resume in September.

Grocery Shower: Help us celebrate the upcoming wedding of **Andrew Eisenga & Emma Schierbeek** by helping them stock up on paper products and pantry staples. A basket for these items will be available in the fellowship hall July 5-19.

Side-dish Donations for VBS Supper: As a way of supporting our amazing VBS volunteers, Highland will provide supper for all VBS volunteers and their families at 5:30 pm each night before VBS starts. If you are able to donate fresh veggies or side salads to go along with the meals, please contact Bev Taylor. No Desserts, please.

Meal Coordinator: We are excited to welcome **Laura Hesselink** on as our new Meal Coordinator. Please contact Laura or the church office if you need meals or if you would like your name added to her list of volunteers.

Christmas Shoebox Collection: Thank you for your continued support of Operation Christmas Child. Throughout **July & August**, we will be collecting School Supplies: Crayons, pencils, pencil sharpeners, glue sticks, markers, rulers, erasers, colored pencils, small solar calculators, compasses or protractors, etc. 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.

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.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Update: We are planning our first official bed build on Saturday, August 22. More information will become available in the coming weeks. Flyers with information about our local chapter are on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks for your continued support and prayers!

Save the Date: Highland’s “Rainforest Falls” VBS 2026 will be July 13-16, 6-8 pm. This event is for children 4 years old up to those entering 6th grade. Dinner will be provided at 5:30 pm for all VBS volunteers and their families.

VBS Volunteers Needed: We are looking for the following volunteers for VBS! Even if you are only available 1 or 2 days it will help!

- **Prep Work:**
 - **Decorating** will happen next Sunday, July 12 starting at 1:00 pm. Please contact Linda, Anita or Amanda if you can help.
- **Crew Leaders** - No teaching required! Crew leaders are responsible for leading the kids from station to station - games, crafts, Bible time and sitting with the kids during songs.
- **Snack Helpers** - keep snack trays full and fill water and juice cups for the kids.
- **Craft Instructor** - instructs the kids how to do the craft and help clean up/set up between station rotations
- **Food Donations Requested** - If you'd rather donate some food items we can use that too! We will need lots of cookies, animal crackers, pretzels, veggie straws and watermelon that week! A sign-up is in the fellowship hall.

5th Annual Highland Woman’s Retreat is coming up quick! Come spend the weekend with us at the beautiful Grace Adventures in Meers, MI. The 1st session is already sold out for on-site housing and the 2nd session is almost full. If you’d like to join us this year, we are attending October 2-4, 2026. Please see Linda and Anita at the table in the fellowship hall for more information and to sign up. Cost this year is \$184/person.

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.

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