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

NURSERY

- 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
- July 28 Jackie Schmid, Megan Pluger, Melissa Oeverman, Aubrynn Bazuin

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Summer Break - No Children's Church

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

- July 7 Cary Sikkema, Jon Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
- July 14 Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Deborah Ouwinga
- July 21 Kyle Meyering, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
- July 28 Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Kendra VanPolen

USHERS

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

August Dan Ouwinga, Kyle Veltema, Kevin DeHate, Ken Roede

GREETERS - PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9:15 AM

- 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
- July 28 South: Al & Anne Thomas; North: Jean Venema

2ND OFFERINGS:

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.



July 7, 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

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion

Sunday School & Catechism 10:40 am – 11:30 am (Sept-May) (231) 825-2171

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am July 7, 2024

The People of God Gather:

Prelude - Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me

Welcome & God's Greeting

Greet One Another

To Praise God

Blessed Assurance (vs 1,2,4)

He Will Hold Me Fast (vs 1-3)

I Have Decided Medley

Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Announcements

The Lord's Prayer/Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: Pastor Mark Bonnes Song of Preparation: Without Him (vs 1-2)

Scripture: Proverbs 16.1-11

Title: Better a little with Jesus than a lot without Him

Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory: Turn Your Eyes

Today's Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Booster Club

To Go in God's Name

God's blessing

Closing Song: Jesus, All for Jesus

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.

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Next Council Meetings:

Monday, July 15

(3rd Monday due to VBS)

6:30 pm Elders

7:00 pm Deacons 7:30 pm Full Council

Preaching Schedule:

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

Officers for 2024:

President	Don Eisenga	Pastor Mark Bonnes	
Vice President	Bob Vennema	Pastor Ashley Bonnes *personal contact info is	
Clerk	Alan Baas		
Sec. of Deacons	Kyle Meyering	not posted online. Please call the church office.	
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

OFFICE CONTACT INFO:

Phone: (231) 825-2171 Email: office@highlandcrc.org

Office Hours:

Monday – Wednesday
8:30 am – 2:00 pm
**All bulletin announcements must be submitted to the church office by noon on Thursdays.

MINISTRY 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

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.

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PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- **Dick Bruno** came home this past Monday. Dick & Mary appreciate your continued prayers for healing and relief from the pain.
- **Dale Fredin** is currently receiving chemo treatments. Please pray that the side-effects will be minimal.
- Please remember to cover our VBS program in prayer this week. We pray that this program is both a blessing to both the kids and adults and that kids will have an opportunity to get excited about Jesus and developing a lasting friendship with God.

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
- **4 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: JULY 7-13			
SUN 7/7	9:15 AM		
	9:30 AM	Worship Service	
MON 7/8	5:30 PM	Dinner for VBS Volunteer families	
	6-8:00 PM	SCUBA VBS (Registration begins at 5:45 PM)	
TUES 7/9	5:30 PM	Dinner for VBS Volunteer families	
	6-8:00 PM	SCUBA VBS	
WED 7/10	5:30 PM	Dinner for VBS Volunteer families	
	6-8:00 PM	SCUBA VBS	
THURS 7/11	5:30 PM	Dinner for VBS Volunteer families	
	6-8:00 PM	SCUBA VBS (Finale Program at 7:45 PM)	

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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!

Foods / Supplies Needed: We still need volunteers to help provide a few dinner items as well as some snacks & a few crafts items:

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

*** THANK YOU to all those that signed up to be crew leaders and helpers! ***

Next Sunday, Lord willing, we will be celebrating **the Lord's Supper.** "As we prepare to celebrate Holy Communion, let us remember that Scripture calls us to examine ourselves before God. We are taught that eating and drinking unworthily brings judgment upon ourselves (1 Cor. 11:28-29). Let us therefore ask God for the proper spirit in which to celebrate the sacrament." –CRCNA; Excerpt from <u>Preparatory</u> Exhortation for the Lord's Supper (1981).

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

ENCOUNTER Night of Worship - Summer Series, 7 - 8:30 PM twice more this summer! 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! Bring a lawn chair! Cookies and fellowship after worship!

- Tuesday, July 9 @ Jim & Renee Ransom's: 6249 Crosby Road, Cadillac,
 MI 49601 Rain venue is Cadillac First Baptist Church
- Tuesday, August 6 @ Stahl Event Barn: 9421 S Lucas Road, McBain, MI 49657
 Rain venue is Cadillac First Baptist Church

World Renew DRS Response to Iowa Flooding - After heavy rain and severe flooding in northwestern Iowa on June 22, 2024, World Renew DRS is making plans to help the homeowners and churches who were most affected to clean up and rebuild as the flood water recedes. Please pray for those who have lost their homes and possessions, for DRS volunteers and staff, and others working to assist people in need. You can help flood survivors in Iowa and across the U.S. with your financial gift at http://worldrenew.net/springstorms2024-donate, by calling 1-800-552-7972, or by mailing your check made out to World Renew DRS, with "Spring Storms 2024" in the memo line, to: World Renew, 8970 Byron Commerce Dr, SW, Byron Center, MI 49315.

^{**}The Church Office will be closed Monday, July 8.