

**NURSERY:**

<b>July 18</b>	DaNay Tossey, Harper Tossey, Cindy Vennema, Becky Body, Jayden Bode, Patti Koop
<b>July 25</b>	Lizelle Bazuin, Aubrynn Bazuin, Bev Kamphouse, Amy Eisenga, Kasey McQuestion, Becky Wemple
<b>August 1</b>	Diane Eisenga, Megan Benthem, Kendyn Meyering, Melissa Oeverman, Emma Oeverman, Brandy VanPolen
<b>August 8</b>	Ruth Kulhawick, Sue Cook, Christina Dodde, Caitlin Dodde, Nicole Schultz, Sheri Fiet

**LITTLE LAMBS / CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:**

**June 20-August 29:** Summer Break!

**SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:**

<b>July 18</b>	Matt Thompson; Roger Hagerman; Jodi DeHate
<b>July 25</b>	Cary Sikkema, Dan Ouwinga, Sue Cook
<b>August 1</b>	Kyle Meyering, Jonathan Ouwinga, Deb Eisenga
<b>August 8</b>	Matt Thompson; Deb Eisenga; Tami Eisenga

**OFFERINGS:**

<b>JULY</b>	<b>4:</b> Booster Club	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>1:</b> Booster Club
	<b>11:</b> New Building Fund		<b>8:</b> New Building
	<b>18:</b> Benevolence		<b>15:</b> Strong Tower
	<b>25:</b> MOPS		<b>22:</b> Josh & Mandy Shaarda
			<b>29:</b> Extreme

**USHERS:**

**July:** Larry Visser, Kevin DeHate, Alan Baas, Aaron Pluger

**August:** Jason Benthem, Jonathan Ouwinga, Joey Kulhawick, Marlin Venema

**\*\*If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, please find your own replacement. Please call the church office (231) 825-2171 if you have any questions. Thank you!**



**July 18, 2021**

**HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**

***Vision Statement:***

***In our endeavor to seek Christ's will and follow His calling, we desire to strengthen our church through growth in prayer, growth in vibrant worship, growth in committed outreach, and growth in thriving fellowship.***

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Rev. Neil Jasperse  
Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM

**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30 AM**  
**Highland Christian Reformed Church**  
**July 18, 2021**

**The People of God Gather:**

Prelude  
 Call to worship –Psalm 100: 4-5  
 Welcome  
 God’s greeting  
 Greeting one Another

To Praise God:  
*“Shout to the Lord”*  
*“Forever” –vs 1-3*

Prayer of praise

To Pray and Serve God:

Announcements  
 Congregational prayer  
 Offertory; 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Benevolence

To Proclaim God’s Word:

Children’s message: Pastor Neil and the “Baffle Box”  
 Song of preparation: *“Christian Hearts in Love United” –vs 1 & 3*

**Scripture:** Mark 3:1-6, Galatians 5:22-23

**Sermon:** “The Fruit of the Spirit: Goodness”

Prayer of response  
 Song of response: *“God is So Good”*

To Go in God’s Name:

God’s blessing:  
 Parting song: *“My Friends May You Grow in Grace” (1x)*  
 Postlude

**Nursery** is available in the basement for children ages infant-3 years old.  
**LIVE streaming** of our Sunday service is available on our Facebook page  
**Video recordings** are available on USB at the sound booth after the service or on DVD by request the following Monday afternoon from the office.

<b>2021 COUNCIL</b>		
*Pastor Neil Jasperse		
Exec. Board *		Church (231) 825-2171
Elders	District	Deacons
Bob Vennema *Clerk	#1, A-C	Gary Hesselink
Dale Fredin *Pres.	#2, D-E	Greg Tossey *Sec. of Deac.
Ken Meyering	#3, F-L	Tom Ouwinga *V.T.
Ken Roede *V.P.	#4, M-O	Dan Villwock
Jerry Koop	#5, P-T	Doug Mitchell
Bryan Eisenga	#6, V-Z	Adam Swiler

**HIGHLAND COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

**July 12, 2021**

1. Heard a treasurer’s report that budget giving over the past three months has been solid, reducing the budgeted giving deficit from over \$8,000 to just over \$5,000. Gifts to pay off the 2014 building loan have reduced the balance to under \$170,000.
2. Heard from the Human Resources Team that no applications for the Youth Director position were received. The council concluded that the best option for the coming year is to return to the previous model of church couples/individuals leading the program.
3. Reflected on an assessment by Pastor Neil on lessons from the prior pastorate. The first main lesson noted was the need for experienced elders when receiving a new pastor. The other main lesson was the importance of good communication- both about the pastor’s responsibilities and expectations, as well as when handling any concerns that arise.
4. Provided guidance to the Pastor Search Team about certain areas of our church profile, which prospective pastors will access to become better acquainted with Highland Church.
5. Executive Ministry team reported that team leaders are in place for five of our seven main teams: Education- Megan Pluger; Care & Fellowship- Cindy Vennema; Outreach- Jodi DeHate; Service- Carrie Thompson; and Prayer- Sandy Rice. Worship and Facilities still need team leaders.



## PRAYER CORNER

Heavenly Father, we lift up before you those that need healing. Please be with Ken VanPolen, Dick Bruno, Carol Niver, Steve Sluiter, Marilyn Ouwinga, BJ & Sue Cook, Corey DeZeeuw and Carol Southwick. Lord, give them the healing and the patience they need and bless each of them in ways only you can.

- ✚ Please pray that God will provide leadership for our Strong Tower ministry. Please pray for all those that lead our youth programs. May they be a witness for Christ as they shepherd our kids.
- ✚ Pray for our VBS program next week. Pray that this church will be flooded with kids both familiar and new and that they will see what it means to follow Jesus, the light of the world!
- ✚ Please pray for our Pastor Search Team as they look for the next pastor of our church. May they be led by the Holy Spirit throughout the process.

### DAILY PRAYER FOCUS

Holy God, make my desire be to reveal the light of Jesus Christ who lives in me. May the choices I make reflect the holiness and love Your Son Jesus. Make me a person who longs for Your character. Please help me avoid decision based on holiness without love, grace or truth.

\*Content for the Daily Prayer Focus is provided by the Highland Prayer Team

### MISSIONS

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### MILITARY

#### **Tyler Bode**

(Staff Sergeant, U.S. Air Force)  
Davis Monthan Airforce Base, Tucson, AZ

## OUR CHURCH WEEK: JULY 18-24

<b>SUN</b> 07/18	9:15 AM 9:30 AM	A time of prayer in the prayer room Morning Worship Service
<b>MON</b> 07/19	7:00 PM	Worship Team Meeting
<b>WED</b> 07/21	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
<b>THURS</b> 07/22	7:00 PM	JUMP Practice
<b>FRI/SAT</b> 07/23-07/24	All Day	Church Use

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Grocery Shower** for Caleb Dodde and Kaitlyn Eastway who will be united in marriage, here on July 24, 2021. Please help us bless this couple with a basket of groceries and paper products. The basket will be in the fellowship hall July 11, 18 and 25. Thank you!

**VBS 2021:** We are so excited that VBS is back this summer! Kids age 4 – Middle School are invited to join us this year for a CAVE QUEST! July 26-28 from 6-8 PM. Dinner will be provided for volunteers and their families before VBS starts each evening. Nursery will be provided for the young children of volunteers. **We need your help!** We still need crew leaders (moms, dads, grandparents...) and nurse workers. Please check out the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. If you have any questions, please contact Anne Thomas.

**Letter to the Congregation:** A letter to the congregation from Pastor Neil was emailed to all who have given us their email address. A paper copy is also in each church mailbox.

**Youth Director Position:** Unfortunately, our recent youth director search brought no applications. After discussing various options, the council concluded that the best path forward is to resume the prior model of leaders from within the congregation. So we ask for everyone's prayers to God to raise up a few leaders for our Strong Tower youth group. The need is urgent! Strong Tower features gatherings every other Sunday evening, along with other fellowship events and service projects. We invite anyone open to helping to contact our church office or Megan Pluger, our new Education Team leader.