

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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
July 27	South: Den & Bev Kamphouse; North: Ken & Jodi Meyering
August 3	South: Jon & Michelle Dracht; North: Kevin & Jodi DeHate
August 10	South: Paul & Jan Rivera; North: Curt & Becky Wemple
August 17	South: Kyle & Abby Meyering; North: Al & Anne Thomas

NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
July 27	Esther Bode, Cam Mulder, Diane Nemeth, Evan Wemple
August 3	Barb Dore, Addean Oeverman, Jodi Meyering, Harper Tossey
August 10	Tami Eisenga, Mikayla Powers, Mary Rees, Gracyn Swiler
August 17	DaNay Tossey, Jackie Schmid, Bev Taylor, Emma Lee

CHILDREN’S CHURCH – (September – May)	
SUMMER BREAK – No Children’s Church	

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT	
July 27	Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Sue Cook
August 3	Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga
August 10	Matt Thompson, Deb Eisenga, Jodi DeHate
August 17	Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Deborah Ouwinga

USHERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
July	Scott Oeverman, Ken Roede, Todd Schmid, Jun Brinks
August	Steve Meeuwenberg, Jim Ouwinga, Devon Dracht, Aaron Pluger

2ND OFFERINGS:			
JULY:	6 th : Booster Club	AUGUST:	3 rd : Booster Club
	13 th : George & Sarah DeVuyst		10 th : Friends Ministry
	20 th : Parking Lot Project		17 th : Benevolence
	27 th : Capital Improvement Fund		24 th : Capital Improvement Fund
			31 st : Marion Food Pantry

Thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers!



July 27, 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
July 27, 2025

The People of God Gather:

Welcome & God’s Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:
Who You Say I Am
Goodness of God
Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God
Announcements
Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God’s Word
Children’s Message – VBS Recap – Anne Thomas & Pastor Ashley
Song of Preparation: *Praise*
Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17
Sermon: “Holy and Dearly Loved”
Prayer of Response
Song of Response/Offertory: *Holy Spirit*
Today’s Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Capital Improvement Fund

To Go in God’s Name
God’s Blessing
Closing Song: *The Blessing*
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, September 7, 2025
Next Council Meetings:
Monday, August 11, 2025
6:30 pm Elders
7:00 pm Deacons
7:30 pm Full Council

Preaching Schedule:
July 27: Rev. Mark Bonnes
August 3: Rev. David McBride
August 10: Rev. Mark Bonnes
August 17: Rev. Ashley 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 * * * * * Office Closed: July 28 - Aug 1 *bulletin announcements will still due by NOON on Thursday.	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

AREA EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

CranHill Ranch invites you to their 17th Annual Golf Outing Fundraiser on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at The Meadows at GVSU. Registration is open now for individuals or teams. Registration includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, polo shirt, a \$50 donation to CranHill, and more! Proceeds from this event go directly to supporting the ministry and covering some of the costs of operating the youth camp. Now is the time to get your team together and plan on a great day of having fun and supporting the mission of transforming lives! Looking to be a bigger part of this important event? We are still looking for sponsors to help make this year's outing a huge success!

Event Details:

10:00 AM - Registration Opens

11:00 AM - Lunch

12:00 PM - Shotgun Start

5:00 PM - Dinner and Awards

To Register to golf, confirm your sponsorship, or to get more information, please scan the QR code here or visit



<https://www.cranhillranch.com/golf-fundraiser>

Bible League invites men and women to a conference: LISTEN, LOVE, REPEAT on September 5, 2025 at Friendship CRC in Byron Center. Our keynote speaker, Karen Ehman—Proverbs 31 Ministries speaker and New York Times bestselling author—will inspire you with her practical wisdom and engaging humor as she encourages us to live our priorities and love our lives in service to God and others. Worship will be led by Sara Denzel, and Bible League leaders will share powerful updates about their ministry. Register today at bibleleague.org/tickets—seating for lunch is limited!

Project Canefire: Plans are already being made for the 2026, Tues. Jan. 20 – Tues. Feb. 3, mission trip to the Dominican Republic. We are in need of volunteers to be a part of the well crew, construction crew and sewing team. If you are interested in joining us this year, save the date of Tues. Aug. 26 for an informational picnic at the Dicks barn outside of Falmouth. Former volunteers, new volunteers and staff will be available to tell you about this ongoing, hands-on ministry serving the people of the Dominican Republic in very practical ways by providing clean water, new homes, churches, and skills for creating jobs. We, as a board, are also in need of a Spanish speaking board member and an accountant as we go forward with our ministry. If you feel God calling you to this ministry or would like more information you can contact Paul Benthem at 231-667-7200 or Betsy Diemer at 231-878-9880.

Project Canefire Picnic: Please join us if you are a former volunteer, interested new volunteer or staff member. along with your family, for our annual informational Project Canefire picnic on Tues. Aug. 26 at 5:30 at Keith Dick's barn at 2431 E. Workman Rd., Falmouth, MI. Hope to see you there, along with your families.

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- Please continue to wrap **Bob and Lori Hesselink** and their family in prayers for comfort and strength each day.
- Please continue to lift up fervent prayers for **Colter Bailey**, youngest son of Justin and Kait (Eisenga) Bailey. Colter was diagnosed with neuroblastoma earlier this spring. Please pray for strength and healing for Colter and that the side effects from the treatments will be minimal. Please continue to lift up his family and the medical team by his side through this journey.
- **A Prayer Letter from Josh & Mandy Shaarda** is in your mailboxes and by the Missions bulletin board. They are requesting prayers over their family and the FIC Marriage Course that Josh has been writing and will go into filming in Tennessee in August. They have felt the hand of the enemy trying to prevent this project form happening and ask for your heartfelt prayers for God's protection and guidance in seeing this project through.
- Please pray for a smooth transition for **George & Sarah De Vuyst** as they prepare to return to Europe in September.
- **Prayer Safari 2025 – Prayer Requests:**
 - Pray for God to prepare the hearts of people in Michigan for this experience.
 - Pray for the participants
 - Pray for safety in travel – both to Michigan and throughout the 10 days.
 - Pray for the right people to receive travel visas.
 - Pray for financial support to come in.
 - Pray for God's presence, power, and glory to be seen and experienced.

OUR MISSIONARIES:

- **Josh & Mandy Shaarda Family** (Serving in Uganda)
Email: jshaarda@crcnapartners.org; Blog: <http://shaarda.blogspot.com>
- **George & Sarah de Vuyst Family** (Serving in Europe)
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).

OUR CHURCH WEEK: JULY 27 – AUGUST 2		
SUN 07/27	9:15 AM	Prayer
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
MON 07/28 - FRI 08/01	Church Offices Closed	

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Church Offices Closed:

- Pastor Mark and Pastor Ashley will also be out of the office July 28 – August 9. Please contact an Elder for any pastoral care needs during that time.
- The Church office will be closed July 28 - August 2. Please call (231) 825-2171 for any Prayer Chain requests.

Attention Middle School: Friday, August 1st, 2025, we are headed to the Traverse City Pit Spitters game!!! It is Faith Night! Pre-game starts at 5pm with New Hope Community Church Band and includes testimonials from Pit Spitters Players, Field Manager, and Jeff Totten (Detroit Tigers Chaplin)! Then the game and postgame fireworks! We will meet at Highland Church and leave from there at 4:30pm and head to the game! Ticket and pizza will be taken care of for the kids, if they may want anything outside of that, please be sure to send them with extra spending money (**note: ball park is a cashless venue, only digital payment accepted. Also, no outside food or drinks permitted in the ball park). We are looking for parents who would be willing to help drive and chaperone! If you are wanting to attend, please call or text Maggie (231-667-4883) by July 28th.

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 **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. 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!

Raspberry Jam for Highland –12 oz. low-sugar containers of raspberry jam are still available 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 the church office.

Small Group Bible Study – Starting September 18: Jennifer Chrispell and a friend will be hosting a 10-week study of 1, 2 & 3 John on Thursdays at 10 am. They’ll be using the book *Abide* by Jen Wilkin. Each book is \$25 +tax through Amazon. There is room yet for 4 more people. Each session will last around 90 minutes consisting of a 40-minute video followed by discussion. This study will take place at Jen’s office at 8901 Hibma Rd; Marion, MI 49665. Please contact Jen at 231-388-0430 or email jemsemarketing@gmail.com if interested.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AT HIGHLAND:

HELP NEEDED!!! Marion Old Fashion Days is this coming Saturday, August 2 we still need volunteers to help with a dozen kid games and a watermelon eating contest (approximate 1.5 - 2 hr. time commitment -more info to come on exact time frames). The Highland Outreach Team encourages individuals and families to consider helping to fill this need. A sign-up sheet is available on the information table. If you are only available to help in the AM or PM, please note that next to your name and phone #.

Sound Booth, Video and PowerPoint Techs Needed: If you are interested in helping in any of these areas please contact Matt Thompson for additional information.

The Education Team is looking for help in the following areas: If you are interested in any of these available opportunities, please contact Megan Pluger:

- **Sunday School Superintendent(s)** for the upcoming school year.
- **Centershot Leader** needed for the upcoming Family night season starting in October; The Education team would like to welcome Nicole Koetje as the new GEMS Leader in the upcoming season.

AREA EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lake City CRC’s Summer Fun for Kids 2025 - Moose Mania: Wednesday, August 6, 6-8:30pm: Through this moose themed event, we will explore these majestic creatures as well as use the M.O.O.S.E. acronym to learn about looking for signs of our powerful God in His amazing creation! We will have kid-friendly food, games, music, and more! This event is for ages 5-12 years and held at Lake City CRC, 1657 S. Morey Rd., Lake City. To register, visit <https://lakecitycrc.breezechms.com/form/766e29364970>.

The Annual NMCS "Comet Open" golf outing is taking place on August 9 at the Missaukee Golf Club to benefit the student tuition assistance fund and Christ-centered educational opportunities. Registration and sponsor sign up is NOW OPEN! To register your team, visit nmcs.us and scroll down to the Comet Open link. Please email Trey Reed (treed@nmcs.us) or Diane Eisenga (deisenga@nmcs.us) to sponsor the event. Sponsor forms are also available on the church information table. Lunch and prizes will be included! Don't miss out on this fun day to support NMCS!



Thank You VBS Volunteers!

CREW LEADERS:

Jordyn Richardson	Makayla Powers
Steph VanHouten	Kelly Hesselink
Sara Bruno	Sam VanHouten
Devon Dracht	Amanda Lutke
Linda Wing	Hillary Dracht
Leah Thompson	Gracyn Swiler
Kasey McQuestion	Maggie Southwick
Shari Benthem	Lindsay Beerens

STATION LEADERS/HELPERS:

Gary Hesselink	Ashley Bonnes
Deb Eisenga	Tami Eisenga
BJ Cook	Mark Bonnes
Natalie Kvasnak	Charlotte Thomas
Harmony Kirkby	Ally Kirkby
Ava Smith	Brinley Southwick
Laura Hesselink	Marilyn Visser
Dana Baas	Jason Kvasnak
Bev Taylor	Abby Meyering
Carol Southwick	Cindy Vennema
Anita Kvasnak	Gin Dodde
And everyone who provided snacks!	