

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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
September 6	South: Den & Bev Kamphouse; North: Jon & Michelle Dracht
September 13	South: Gin Dodde; North: Curt & Becky Wemple
September 20	South: Kevin & Jodi DeHate; North: Paul & Jan Rivera
September 27	South: Kyle & Abby Meyering; North: Al & Anne Thomas
NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
September 6	Jackie Schmid, Jodi DeHate, Tucker Bonnes
September 13	Sue Meeuwenberg, Lauren Smith, Lilly Schoch
September 20	Pattie Koop, Anne Thomas, Carly McCrimmon
September 27	Brooke Benthem, Lizelle Bazuin, Aubrynn Bazuin
CHILDREN’S CHURCH – (September – May; Sundays Only)	
September 6	Labor Day Weekend – No Children’s Church
September 13	Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helper: Charlotte Thomas
September 20	Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helper: Khloe McQuestion
September 27	Teacher: Miranda Dykhouse; Helper: Alan Thomas
SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT	
September 6	Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
September 13	Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
September 20	Matt Thompson, Jon Ouwinga, Micah Chrispell
September 27	Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Deborah Ouwinga
USHERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
September:	Mike Southwick, Todd Schmid, Don Ellens, Greg Hesselink
October:	Al Thomas, Ben Thompson, Lars Fredin, Ken VanPolen, Jr.
2ND OFFERINGS	
September: 6 th : Booster Club 13 th : Project Christmas 20 th : George & Sarah De Vuyst 27 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**

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS! We are incredibly grateful to God for you, our volunteers and for your loving service to the Church and the community. God bless you for your generosity, and thank you for being a blessing to others.



September 6, 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:

(231) 825-2171

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

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Welcome to
HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
September 6, 2026

The People of God Gather:

Prelude: *Magnify Him*
Welcome & God’s Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:
We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer (vs 1-3)
Freely, Freely (vs 1-2)
Find Us Faithful
Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God
Preparatory Form (Responsive Reading)
Announcements
Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God’s Word
Children’s Message: Pastor Mark
Song of Preparation: *We Are Called to be God’s People (vs 1-3)*
Passage: Haggai 1:2-12
Sermon Title: When does God come First?
Song of Response/Offertory: *You Are My All In All*
Today’s Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Booster Club

To Go in God’s Name
God’s Blessing
Closing Song: *Rise Up, O Church of God (vs 1, 3 & 4)*
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, September 14, 2026
6:30 pm Elders
7:00 pm Deacons
7:30 pm Full Council

Preaching Schedule:
September 6: Rev. Mark Bonnes
September 13: Rev. Mark Bonnes
September 20: Josh Shaarda
September 27: Rev. Mak Bonnes
October 4: Rev. Ashley Bonnes
October 11: Rev. Mark Bonnes

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Council Officers for 2026:

President	Steve Meeuwenberg	Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes Please contact our church office for directory assistance (231) 825-2171
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: _____
Facilities: Greg Hesselink & Devon Dracht
Outreach: _____
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.

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I would like to thank everyone who called, visited, brought in delicious meals and yummy snacks, sent cards and especially those who prayed for me. So many words of encouragement before, during and after my back surgery. I am definitely feeling better but am going to start PT next week to try to loosen up some tight back muscles. It sure is wonderful to have such a caring church family!! I love you all. ~Bev Ouwinga

Chris Sheats Update: Continued prayers are appreciated as Chris and family as they await surgery to stabilize the lower portion of Chris' spine. They are currently awaiting coordination of schedules between various specialists & departments. Please pray for patience during that wait and for healing afterward.

- **Josh & Mandy Shaarda (Serving in Uganda) **visiting Highland Sept 20****
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

- **TSgt, Tyler Bode** (US Airforce; currently stationed in Italy).
- **CMSgt, Michael Stahl** (US Airforce; currently serving in the Middle East).

At Highland, we strive to lift each other, in the good times and bad, up in prayer and we have a few ways of doing that:

- **The Prayer Chain** is a phone call sent out by the church office to the congregation to request prayer for a specific urgent matter that is approved by the individual or immediate family for public knowledge. **To request a prayer chain be started, please contact an Elder, Pastor, or the church office. If you are not already a part of the Prayer Chain but wish to be added, please call the office at (231) 825-2171.
- **Prayer Warriors:** These individuals are dedicated to **confidential** and consistent prayer for an extended period of time over specific needs and concerns that might not yet be public knowledge. **If you have a prayer request for one of our Prayer Warriors, or if you would like to become a Prayer Warrior, please contact Sandy Rice directly.

OUR CHURCH WEEK: SEPTEMBER 6-12

SUN 9/6	9:15 AM 9:30 AM	Prayer Worship Service
MON 9/7	-----	Labor Day; Offices Closed
TUE 9/8	9:30 AM 7:00 PM	Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study – Intro & Lesson 1 Praise Team Practice

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Nominations for Elders and Deacons. The Highland council is now accepting recommendations for incoming Elders or Deacons. Please reach out directly to a current council member. A list of current members can be found inside the back cover of our weekly bulletin.

Modified Office Hours: The church offices will be closed on Monday, September 6 for the Labor Day holiday.

Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study will begin this Tuesday, September 8 at 9:30 am with a new study on *Exodus* from Lifeguide Bible Studies. Please read the intro and Lesson 1 beforehand.

Soundboard, Video and PowerPoint Training for those interested in any of these rolls will be held Saturday, September 12 at 3:00 pm. Applicants must be age 14+.

Communion: We will be celebrating Communion next Sunday, September 13. Parents, if you know your child is ready to receive communion, we encourage but do not require you to inform an elder. The elders would also like to encourage families who have not discussed communion with their children to make time to do so before next Sunday. We have made resources available on the information table to help with those discussions.

Children’s Church will begin September 13. This ministry is available for children ages 3-Kindergarten during the worship service following the children’s message. Parents must pick their child up from the classroom downstairs (north hallway) immediately following the service.

Sunday School, MS/HS Catechism are scheduled to start on September 13, from 10:40-11:30 am. **Kids in Pre-K through 1st Grade must be picked up from the Sanctuary.

Fellowship Bible Study will resume next Sunday, September 13 at 4:30 pm in the fellowship hall. They will be starting Season 3 of Ray Vander Laan’s video-led series, “Discipleship: The Study”. If you plan to attend, please contact Sandy Rice to reserve your study guide. Each meeting is followed by a light potluck supper.

Save the Date for Highland’s Annual ORV Ride: Sunday, September 27. Watch for more details here in the coming weeks.

Classis Northern Michigan has scheduled their fall meeting for September 29 at Ellsworth Christian Reformed Church. Delegates from Highland CRC will be Pastor Mark Bonnes and Elder Ken Meyering.

Christmas Shoebox Collection: Thank you for your continued support of Operation Christmas Child. Throughout the months of **September/October** we will be collecting CLOTHING: Sandals, hats/mittens, t-shirts, socks, slippers, small bags, sunglasses 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. For more information on this ministry, please contact Becky Wemple.

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Help Wanted: Northern Michigan Christian School is seeking a person to work in our office. The position would be one day a week (Wednesdays). They would assist in answering phones, assist students and parents, and work on other projects assigned by the superintendent. Our office staff is usually the first face our community sees coming into the school building. This person must be welcoming and friendly as guests come into our building. This person would also serve as a sub for the other office staff from time to time. If you are interested, please send a resume to Scott Curell (scurell@nmcs.us) by September 11.

NMCS’ annual Fish Fry is coming up! The dinner will take place on September 11 & September 18 in the NMCS cafeteria and gym. Join us for an all you can eat buffet style meal including chicken, fish, and shrimp. The dinner runs from 5 pm - 7:30 pm each night and is \$22 per adult, \$8 for kids ages 4 to 9 and under 4 is free. Other food items include, French fries, mac and cheese, roasted potatoes, salad, ice cream and more! Proceeds benefit NMCS Athletics.

Abide: A multi-church gathering for a time of worship, prayer, testimony, and resting in the presence of God. Join us Monday, September 21, 6:30 pm at Lake City CRC, 1657 S. Morey Rd., Lake City.

Men’s Retreat at Center Lake Bible Camp: This is the perfect chance to reset, recharge, and refocus. Join us September 25-27 as we explore how God equips ordinary men for meaningful impact. You can expect solid teaching, powerful worship, time outdoors, great food, and a special session with the Guard Strong team. Cost is \$144 per person. You won’t regret setting aside this time. For more information and to register, visit www.centerlake.org/mens-retreat.