

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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
September 27	South: Kyle & Abby Meyering; North: Al & Anne Thomas
October 4	South: Terry & Dawn Veddler; North: Hilda Cruz
October 11	South: Greg & DaNay Tossey; North: Dave & Linda Wing
October 18	South: Todd & Jackie Schmid; North: Jerry & Diane Nemeth
NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
September 27	Brooke Benthem, Lizelle Bazuin, Aubrynn Bazuin
October 4	Julie Dorman, Bev Kamphouse, Claire Thompson
October 11	Kasey McQuestion, Shari Benthem, Madelyn Oeverman
October 18	Jan Rivera, Karen Oeverman, Franklin Baas
CHILDREN’S CHURCH – (September – May; Sundays Only)	
September 27	Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helper: Alan Thomas
October 4	Teacher: Miranda Dykhouse; Helper: Bentley Dracht
October 11	Teacher: Amanda Lutke; Helper: Emma Lee
October 18	Teacher: Anita Kvasnak; Helper: Natalie Kvasnak
SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT	
September 27	Kyle Meyering/Isaac Baas; Kaylie Benthem, Deborah Ouwinga
October 4	Cary Sikkema/David McBride; Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
October 11	Matt Thompson/Charlotte Thomas; Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
October 18	Kyle Meyering/David McBride, Jon Ouwinga, Micah Chrispell
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	October: 4: Booster Club 11 th : Right to Life 18 th : American Bible League 25 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 service & generosity!



September 27, 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
Sunday School & Catechism:
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 27, 2026

The People of God Gather:

Welcome & God’s Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:

Praise
Yes I Will
Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Announcements
Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God’s Word

Children’s Message: Pastor Ashley
Song of Preparation: *Raise A Hallelujah!*

Scripture: Malachi 3:6-12

Title: Returning to God

Prayer of Response
Song of Response/Offertory: *I Speak Jesus*

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.
Children’s Church is available for children age 3-Kindergarten. They will be dismissed to their classroom downstairs following the Children’s message of this morning’s service. **Parents must pick up the child from the classroom directly after the worship service.
Nursery is available downstairs each Sunday, year-round for children ages 0 - 3 years old.

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.

COMING UP:

Fall Meeting of Classis NM:

Tuesday, September 29, 2026
at 9:00 am at Ellsworth CRC

Next Council Meetings:

Monday, October 12, 2026
6:30 pm Elders
7:00 pm Deacons
7:30 pm Full Council

Next Communion:

Sunday, November 1, 2026

Preaching Schedule:

September 27 : Rev. Mak Bonnes
October 4 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
October 11 : Rev. Ashley Bonnes
October 18 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
October 25 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
November 1 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
November 8 : Rev. Mark Bonnes

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Council Officers for 2026:

President	Steve Meeuwenberg	Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes Please contact the 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 Dykhous
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

Attention MS & HS Students: UNITED Night of Worship is a twice-a-year night of worship for students and youth ministries across northwest Michigan that first began in April 2018. Our next event will be Sunday, November 22, 2026, 6-8 PM at McBain School Auditorium (107 E. Maple St; McBain). This is a FREE event! For more information and event updates, visit www.unitednwmj.com or Instagram: @unitednwmj.

NOTES:

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

Larry Visser underwent surgery this past Monday to repair a broken ankle. Your prayers for healing are greatly appreciated.

Bob Keen has been transferred to Wexford Senior Care Center for rehabilitative care. Please pray for healing and renewed strength.

Chris Sheats Update: Chris and Christle met with the neurosurgeon at the end of August and they now have a definitive plan for surgery. Chris will undergo a major, highly complex surgery that will take place over two consecutive days (7-8 hours each day) October 7 and October 8 to completely reconstruct his lower spine. The damaged vertebrae will be removed and replaced with various forms of surgical hardware. Approximately a week after surgery, they hope to move him to Mary Free Bed for inpatient rehabilitation to start his recovery safely. Please pray that God will surround Chris and the entire Sheats family through each step and provide strength, healing and patience as they navigate the difficult path ahead of them.

OUR MISSIONARIES:

- **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

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: SEPTEMBER 27 – OCTOBER 3

SUN 9/27	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 10:40 AM 4:00 PM 4:30 PM	Prayer Worship Service Sunday School / MS & HS Catechism Highland ORV Ride – Potluck in the Fellowship Hall Fellowship Bible Study – Meeting in the Youth Building
MON 9/28	5:30 PM	Wellness Warriors (YB)
TUES 9/29	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study
THURS 10/1	7:00 PM	FIC Bible Study – Fellowship Hall

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Congratulations to Gary & Kelly Hesselink on the birth of their son, **Brody James Hesselink**, who was born September 20, 2026. Both mom and baby are doing well.

TODAY: Highland’s Annual ORV Ride. We will meet at Highland CRC at 4 pm and then leave from there for a scenic ride on roads and trails! Our return to church should be about 6-ish for fellowship and a potluck meal in the fellowship hall. We will provide the sloppy joes, drinks and tableware. Please bring a side to share. Any questions contact Bev Taylor or Cindy Vennema.

Fellowship Bible Study will meet this evening at 4:30 pm in the youth building for Season 3 – Lesson 1 of Ray Vander Laan’s video-led series, “Discipleship: The Study”. If you plan to attend and have not already done so, please contact Sandy Rice to reserve your study guide. Each meeting is followed by a light potluck supper.

Ladies Bible Study meets on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am. This week they will be looking at Lesson 4 of their study on the book of *Exodus*.

Next Sunday, October 4 we will be celebrating God’s faithfulness through the infant baptism of **Karis Lee Veltema**, daughter of Kyle & Trisha Veltema.

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. Monetary contributions are accepted as well. Your continued support and generosity are greatly appreciated. For more information on this ministry, please contact Becky Wemple.

Profession of Faith/New Member’s Class will begin in October. Please contact Pastor Ashley for more information.

Library: Please take a moment to check out our wide assortment of books in the east wing library. Please remember to sign out any books you wish to take home and then place them in the “return” box when you are finished with them so they can be enjoyed by others. We are currently trying to locate our copy of “*Bringing Up Girls*” by Dr. James Dobson. If you have this book and are done with it, please return it to the church library.

Family Night will kick off their 2025-2026 season on Wednesday, October 7, beginning with a delicious dinner of meatballs & gravy over noodles, green beans and applesauce at 6:30 pm followed by Centershot (boys) and GEMS (girls) clubs from 7-8 pm. These programs are for kids in 1st – 5th grade. Family Night is the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month (Oct–April).

Save the Date: J.O.Y. Group will be visiting **Dick Family Farm** in Falmouth on Tuesday, October 13 at 12:30 pm. There will be a small tour/have ride and chance to wander on your own. If you’re feeling adventurous, try the corn maze and apple canons. We’ll also enjoy cider, coffee and homemade donuts. Please contact Cindy Vennema if you have any questions or if you need a ride out there. We do ask that you sign up at the information table if you plan to attend as this helps with planning.

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

****Tickets Still Available** Ladies Night Out** is this Tuesday, September 29. It will again be hosted by Olde Mill Venue in Marion and sponsored by Vogel Center CRC. The evening will feature guest speaker Cindy Bultema and her new Bible series “Gumballs and Grace: Finding Hope in the Hard Seasons. Come out for a great night of fellowship, food and singing. Doors open at 5:30 and dinner will be at 6PM. Tickets are \$20 and available through Vogel Center CRC, (231) 825-2053 or Kim Winkel, (231) 920-7752.

Grief Share: Vogel Center CRC is hosting a "Surviving the Holidays" Grief Share session on Saturday, October 24 from 9:00-11:00am. Please contact Pastor Adam Barton, (616) 566-7937 with any questions.

“Giving Thanks” Banquet: Don’t miss out on a night of delicious food and great fellowship, while supporting Friends Ministry. Please join us Saturday, October 25, 2026 at Northland Community Church for our “Giving Thanks” Banquet and silent Auction. Doors open at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$20 each and may be purchased from a board member or the office at Friends Ministry.