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

GREETERS - Please arrive by 9:15 am

Oct 6 South: Paul & Carole Shaarda; North: Dale & Bev Taylor

Oct 13 South: Bonnie Veddler; North: Den & Bev Kamphouse

Oct 20 South: Ken & Jodi Meyering; North: Jon & Michelle Dracht

Oct 27 South: Kevin & Jodi DeHate; North: Curt & Becky Wemple

NURSERY - Please arrive by 9:15 am

Oct 6 Pattie Koop; Brooke Benthem, Lizelle Bazuin, Evan Wemple

Oct 13 Julie Dorman, Kasey McQuestion, Shari Benthem, Gracyn Swiler

Oct 20 Dana Baas, Becky Wemple, Diane Eisenga, Elijah Rees

Oct 27 Steph VanHouten, Ruth Kulhawick, Nicole Schultz, Penny Bruno

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Oct 6 Teacher: Miranda Dykhouse; Helpers: Hillary Dracht; Gracyn Swiler

Oct 13 Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helpers: Sam VanHouten, Harmony Kirkby

Oct 20 Teacher: Jordyn Richardson; Helpers: Nicole Schultz, Alan Thomas

Oct 27 Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helpers: Lindsay Beerens, Harper Tossey

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

Oct 6 Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Deborah Ouwinga

Oct 13 Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga

Oct 20 Kyle Meyering, Jon Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate

Oct 27 Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Kendra Jenema

USHERS - Please arrive by 9:15 am

Oct. Brandon Veddler, Jun Brinks, Devon Dracht, Bryan Eisenga

Nov. Jason Benthem, Jon Dracht, Bob Lee, Mike Southwick

2ND OFFERINGS:

September: October:

1st: Booster Club 6th: Booster Club

8th: Matt & Emily Slack 13th: George and Sarah Devuyst

15th: Love INC20th: Marion Food Pantry22nd: Project Christmas27th: Existing Building Fund

29th: 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 at (231) 825-2171.



October 6, 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

Sunday Worship 9:30 am

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion

www.highlandcrc.org

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

Welcome to

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Morning Worship Service - 9:30 am October 6, 2024

The People of God Gather:

Prelude: Holy Ground (special music)

Welcome & God's Greeting

Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:

Come Into His Presence

How Great Thou Art (vs 1-3)

His Name Is Wonderful (2x)

Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: Pastor Jim DeZeeuw

Song of Preparation: Open My Eyes, That I May See (1,3)

Scripture: 2 Kings 6:8-23 Message: Seeing Beyond

Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory: Amazing Grace (special music) Today's Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Booster Club

To Go in God's Name

God's blessing

Closing Song: The Longer I Serve Him (vs 1-2)

Postlude

Nursery is available year-round downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old. Children's Church (for children age 3 - Kindergarten) is takes place downstairs following the Children's Message. **Children must be picked up at their classroom following the worship service. Children's Bulletins are available on the information table in the Fellowship Hall.

COUNCIL CORNER:

Next Council Meetings:

Monday, October 14, 2024 6:30 pm Elders

7:00 pm Deacons 7:30 pm Full Council

Preaching Schedule:

Oct 6 - Rev. Jim DeZeeuw Oct 13 – Rev. Ashley Bonnes Oct 20 - Rev. Mark Bonnes

Oct 27 – Rev. Mark Bonnes

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Officers for 2024:

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

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:

Mon - Thurs: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm Fri. - Sun: Closed

**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 - Bonnie McBride

Christmas Shoebox: Throughout the year we are collecting items on a monthly basis to help fill our Christmas Shoeboxes in November. During **September/October** we will be collecting CLOTHING: sandals, hats/mittens, T-shirts, socks, slippers, small bags, sunglasses 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.

Save the Date: Trunk or Treat has been scheduled for Saturday, October 26, 2024 from 3-5 pm. Bring the family for a fun afternoon where all the fun is in one convenient location! Costumes, candy, soup, donuts and cider! **Volunteer Sign-ups** are available in the fellowship hall (look for the orange papers!) Those that signed up during sign-up Sundays have already been included on the current lists. We will be sending out invites for kids from McBain, NMC and Marion Elementary Schools so your help is greatly appreciated in making this community outreach event a success!

Grief Share: Surviving the Holidays - The holidays are challenging when you're grieving a loss. "Surviving the Holidays" provides encouragement, support and valuable tools to navigate the season. Join us for this holiday seminar at Vogel Center CRC 1789 E. Stoney Corners Rd McBain, MI on Saturday October 26 from 9-11AM. Contact information – Vogel Church Office: vccrc@outlook.com or (231) 825-2053.

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PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- Deb Eisenga is scheduled for back surgery to address an L1 compression fracture on October 21. Please pray for healing and patience for both Deb & Mark (post knee replacement).
- Dale & Faye Fredin appreciate your continued prayers for healing and strength each day and that Dale's symptoms will be kept to a minimum. Please pray too for strength as they enjoy some time traveling.
- Laurie Witt was diagnosed with breast cancer this past spring and has since been receiving Chemo treatments. They are requesting prayers that her lab-work remains stable and for wisdom as they consider surgical options as the next step.
- Mary Karsten has been on oxygen for the past couple months. She would appreciate prayers for healing & patience as they await additional testing.

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
- **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 Asia).

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:

SSgt, Tyler Bode (US Airforce; currently stationed in Italy).

OUR CHURCH WEEK: OCTOBER 6-12			
SUN 10/06	9:15 AM	Prayer	
	9:30 AM	Worship Service	
	10:40 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (dismissed at 11:30)	
	4:30 PM	Fellowship Bible Study: Lesson 3 (in the Fellowship hall)	
	6-8:00 PM	MS/HS Youth Group	
TUE 10/08	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda): Lesson 6	
	1:00 PM	J.O.Y. Group at Dick's Pumpkin Patch (details below)	
WED 10/09	1-6:15 PM	Versiti Blood Drive (details below)	
THUR 10/10	7:00 PM	Ladies Bible Study (w/ Linda): Lesson 1	

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today, we welcome **Pastor Jim DeZeeuw** as he leads our time of worship this morning.

Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study: Lord willing, we will be meeting tonight at 4:30 pm in the fellowship hall. We hope you'll join us for Lesson 3 of our new study "Heaven: Finding Our True Home" in the fellowship hall followed by pot luck supper at 5:30 pm. Please contact Sandy Rice if you still need a book.

The Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study will be looking at Lesson 6 of their study titled "Christian Beliefs" this coming Tuesday at 9:30 am.

J.O.Y. Group at Dick's Pumpkin Patch in Falmouth this Tuesday, October 8 at 1:00 pm. If you would like to carpool or caravan, please meet at Highland church at 12:30 otherwise free to meet us at the pumpkin patch at 1:00. There will be a small tour and a chance to wander around on your own. If you're feeling adventurous, try the corn maze! And of course, we'll enjoy some cider or coffee and their homemade donuts. Any questions, contact Cindy Vennema. Please sign-up on the information table in the fellowship hall if you plan to attend.

Our Next Versiti Blood Drive will be this Wednesday, October 9 from 1-6:30 pm in the fellowship hall. To schedule your blood donation, please call 866-642-5663 or visit Versiti.org/mi. You can also schedule through Sara in the church office by calling (231) 825-2171.

Women's Bible study (w/ Linda): Join us for a 5-week Bible study on Thursday evenings at 7 pm beginning October 10. This will involve personal study as well. This five-week small group study uses featured clips from the new Kendrick brothers' movie, THE FORGE, to ignite a passion for knowing Christ personally, following Him sacrificially, obeying Him willingly, and helping others become disciples of Christ. If you are interested, please contact Linda Wing so materials can be ordered.

You're Invited to the **Highland Annual Reunion & Potluck**, this Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 12:00 pm in the Highland Church fellowship hall. Please bring a dish to pass & your own table service. Coffee will be provided.

Profession of Faith & New Members Classes will begin <u>next Sunday</u>, **October 13** during Sunday School. If you are interested in becoming a professing member of Highland church, please contact either Pastor Ashley or Pastor Mark as soon as possible for more details!

Quilters/Sewers Needed: The Highland CRC GEMs Club is looking for Quilters/Sewers and anyone with a sewing machine! This year's theme is being "TRANSFORMED" and we are looking to take fabric and transform it into a QUILT!!! We need all sewers that are willing to help us, as we typically have 20 girls! We will start with simple straight stitch...just joining the pieces together! There are samples outside in the fellowship hall of what our patterns will be! Feel free to take a copy and join in on the fun! This will be our focus for our craft this year, it will take time and patience! We will begin sewing on our second scheduled meeting date of Wednesday, October 16th from 7:00-8pm. Please contact Maggie Southwick to let her know if you would be interested in bringing your sewing machine to help the girls learn how to sew.

Big Group Praise Team Practice: Calling all praise team singers! We will be having a group practice on Monday, October 21 at 7:00 pm to learn some new songs for use in the near future.

The Truck Stop (a restaurant in Cadillac) is collecting items for Hurricane Helene victims. The truck bringing the items to North Carolina will leave midweek (approximately October 9th). Items needed include: first aid kits, blankets, dog food, feminine hygiene supplies, toiletries, diapers and wipes, batteries and any non-perishable food items. If you would like to donate, please have the items on the donation table in the fellowship hall by the end of the day on October 8th. Any questions, please let Carrie Thompson know!

The Marion Food Pantry will be having a Soup and Salad Benefit on Sunday, October 20th, 11-3 at the VFW Hall in Marion. All proceeds will go to benefit the pantry.

We need Children's Message Volunteers! We are looking for a few more individuals to add to our rotation. The more the better as this would mean fewer Sundays a year for each person to cover. Volunteers would have the option of tying their message in with the sermon for that Sunday, the season, or choosing an appropriate topic of their own. Please contact Sara in the church office as soon as possible as we are preparing the next rotation for the upcoming year.