

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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am

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

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

Nov 3 South: Paul & Jan Rivera; North: Kyle & Abby Meyering

Nov 10 South: Al & Anne Thomas; North: Hilda Cruz

NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am

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

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

Nov 3 Maggie Southwick, Donna Veddler, Esther Bode, Aubrynn Bazuin

Nov 10 Cam Mulder, Diane Nemeth, Jodi Meyering, Caire Thompson

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

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

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

Nov 3 Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helpers: Steph VanHouten, Emma Lee

Nov 10 Teacher: Megan Plugger; Helpers: Hillary Dracht, Charlotte Thompson

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

Oct 20 Kyle Meyering, Jon Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate

Oct 27 Cary Sikkema, Kaylie Benthem, Kendra Jenema

Nov 3 Matt Thompson, Deb Eisenga, Deborah Ouwinga

Nov 10 Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga

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:

October:

6th: Booster Club

13th: George and Sarah De Vuyst

20th: Marion Food Pantry

27th: Existing Building Fund

November:

3rd: Booster Club

10th: Benevolence

17th: Josh & Mandy Shaarda

24th: Existing Building Fund

28th: Thanksgiving Envelopes

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 20, 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

(231) 825-2171

10:40 am – 11:30 am (Sept-May)

**Welcome to
HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am
October 20, 2024**

The People of God Gather:

Prelude
Welcome & God’s Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God in Song:

He Will Hold Me Fast (vs 1-3)
Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me (vs 1,3,4)
“You Are My All In All”

Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Announcements
Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God’s Word

Children’s Message: Pastor Mark Bonnes
Song of Preparation: *Speak, O Lord (vs 1,3)*
Scripture: Matthew 6:9-13, James 2:14-19
Message: “Lead us from temptation: Let the demons shudder”
Prayer of Response
Song of Response/Offertory: *Before The Throne of God Above (vs 1-3)*
Today’s Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Marion Food Pantry

To Go in God’s Name

God’s Blessing
Closing Song: *We’ve Come This Far By Faith*
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, November 4, 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

Fall Congregational Meeting:

Sunday, November 24 at 10:40 am

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Officers for 2024:

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

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. We will be packing shoeboxes in November. More details yet to come!

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

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.

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!

The AMEN Chorus will begin rehearsals Saturday, October 26 at Cadillac Christian Reformed Church from 6-8 pm. Our programs will be December 7 and 8 in Cadillac. If you are a gentleman that loves to sing we invite you to join us. Please bring \$10 to cover the cost of music and supplies. If you have any questions you can contact director Angela Warner at (231) 330-0894 or kirkangelawarner@hotmail.com

Love INC will now be available on-site in Missaukee County 1 day a week starting Nov. 7! We will have an intake specialist available from 1-3 every Thursday at the Lake City First Presbyterian Church. Appointments are preferred. Please call (231) 779-1888 to schedule! Please see the flyer by the church mailboxes for additional information.

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for all the ways that you continuously show us how much you appreciate us! The gifts for pastor appreciation Sunday were so very touching - the picnic table will be a wonderful addition to our lake house in Evart and the donations will help us purchase a few extra items to cozy up the place. Thank you so much! ~ The Bonnes Family

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

- ✚ **Larry & Laurie Witt** are happy to report that Laurie's recent surgery was successful and that the lymph node biopsy also came back negative for cancer. We join them in giving thanks for God's healing and pray for continued strength and healing as her body recovers.
- ✚ Barb Dore would appreciate prayers for her son-in-law, **Rolando Sarat**. (Erica's husband). Rolando has been battling lymphoma. Please pray that the right treatments can be found and that side effects will kept to a minimum without causing further damage.
- ✚ **Deb Eisenga** is scheduled for back surgery to address an L1 compression fracture this coming Monday, October 21. Please pray for healing and patience through recovery.
- ✚ **Dale & Faye Fredin** appreciate your continued prayers for healing and strength each day and that Dale's symptoms will be kept to a minimum.
- ✚ **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@crnapartners.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).

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS • OCTOBER 14, 2024

- Council approved the slate of nominees for deacon and elder. 3 deacons and 3 elders will be chosen by lot at the congregation meeting on November 24. Please pray over these names and our church leadership over the next couple of weeks.

Confirmed Nominees for Elder:	Confirmed Nominees for Deacon:
Jason Benthem	James Bazuin
Joe Kulhawick	Kevin DeHate
Steve Meeuwenberg	Ryan McQuestion
Ken Meyering	Lori Mitchell
Todd Schmid	Jonathan Ouwinga
Ken VanPolen, Jr	Joann Richardson

- The proposed budget was reviewed and approved. The budget will be made available 2 weeks before our congregational meeting on November 24.
- Council revisited the amount of money we can spend from the general fund without council approval. Council would like to raise the amount to \$10,000 and will present that policy change to the congregation for their approval on November 24.
- Council approved the purchase of a new copier for the office.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

September General Fund		2nd Offerings	
1st	3,811.00	Booster Club	763.00
8th	9,395.00	Matt & Emily Slack	1,315.00
15th	5,078.00	Love Inc.	691.00
22nd	6,522.00	Project Christmas	611.00
29th	4,613.06	Capital Improvements	971.00
Total September Offerings	29,419.06		
Budget needed weekly	6,471.23		
Times 39 weeks	252,378.14		
Received to date	<u>250,285.01</u>		
Balance	(2,093.13)		

OUR CHURCH WEEK: OCTOBER 20-26

SUN 10/13	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 5
	6-8:00 PM	MS/HS Youth at UNITED Night of Worship (see below)
MON 10/21	7:00 PM	Big Group Praise Team Practice
TUE 10/22	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study (w/ Hilda): Lesson 7
WED 10/23	7:00 PM	JUMP Practice
THUR 10/24	7:00 PM	Ladies Bible Study (w/ Linda): Lesson 3
SAT 10/26	3-5:00 PM	Trunk or Treat

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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 5 of "Heaven: Finding Our True Home" in the fellowship hall followed by pot luck supper at 5:30 pm.

Attention MS/HS Youth Groups: We will be attending the **UNITED Night of Worship TONIGHT** at the Elenbaas Auditorium in McBain from 6-8:00 pm. Please plan to meet at the auditorium. If you need a ride to/from the event, please notify your youth leaders yet this morning.

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

The Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study will be looking at Lesson 7 of their study titled "Christian Beliefs" this coming Tuesday at 9:30 am.

The Prayer Team greatly appreciates those were able to complete the feedback survey following our 2024 Spring Prayer Retreat. The Prayer Team would greatly appreciate your prayers as they move ahead with planning our next retreat for the Spring of 2025.

Women's Bible study (w/ Linda) will be looking a lesson 2 of their 5-week Bible study on Thursday evenings at 7 pm in the Middle School youth room, downstairs. 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. This will involve personal study as well. If you are interested, please contact Linda Wing so materials can be ordered.