

NURSERY:

Oct 24	Shari Benthem, Karen Oeverman, Addean Oeverman Becky Wemple, Diane Eisenga, Megan Benthem
Oct 31	Melissa Oeverman, Ruth Kulhawick, Kendyn Meyering Emma Oeverman, Nicole Schultz, Maggie Southwick
Nov 7	Karianne Smith, Donna Veddler, Esther Bode, Leah Thompson, Diane Nemeth, Bev Taylor
Nov 14	Jodi DeHate, Barb Dore, Evan Wemple Tami Eisenga, Mya Eisenga, Jodi Meyering

LITTLE LAMBS / CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:

Oct 24	LL Teacher: Amanda Lee; Helper: Emma CIW Teacher: Lizelle Bazuin; Helper: JD Bazuin
Oct 31	LL Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helper: Leah Thompson CIW Teacher: Nicole Koetje; Helper: Linda Ellens
Nov 7	LL Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helper: Teacher CIW Teacher: Hillary Dracht; Helper: Linda Wing
Nov 14	LL Teacher: Nicole Schultz; Helper: Addean Oeverman CIW Teacher: Anne Thomas; Helper: Karsyn Meyering

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT:

Oct 24	Cary Sikkema, Roger Hagerman, Sue Cook
Oct 31	Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga
Nov 7	Kyle Meyering, Deb Eisenga, Jodi DeHate
Nov 14	Matt Thompson, Jonathan Ouwinga, Deb Eisenga

OFFERINGS:

OCTOBER	3: Booster Club	NOVEMBER	7th Booster Club
	10: New Building Fund		14th New Building
	17: Feeding America		21st Benevolence
	24: Oasis Family Resource Center		25th Food Pantry Collection (for Thanksgiving)
	31: Friends Ministry		28th: George & Sarah de Vuyst

USHERS:

October: Ryan McQuestion, Paul Shaarda, Brandon Veddler, Phil VanAssche
November: Kevin Eisenga, Mike Pluger, Al Thomas, Adam Southwick

****If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, please find your own replacement.
Please call the church office (231) 825-2171 if you have any questions. Thank you!**



OCTOBER 24, 2021

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Highland's 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.*

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Rev. Neil Jasperse
Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM
Sunday School 10:50 AM

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30 AM
Highland Christian Reformed Church
October 24, 2021

Please welcome Rev. Kathy Vana as she leads our worship service this morning.

The People of God Gather:

Welcome
 Greeting one another

To Praise God:

Goodness of God
Jesus Messiah
Raise a Hallelujah
 Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God:

Announcements
 Responsive Reading of God’s Law
 Congregational prayer

To Proclaim God’s Word:

Children’s Message –Al Thomas
 Song of Preparation: *No Longer Slaves*
 Bible Text: **1 Corinthians 1:18-25**
 Message: ***Moronic Foolishness***
 Prayer of Response
 Song of Response & Offertory: *My Jesus*
 Offerings to be collected during the song (please remain seated)
 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Oasis Family Resource Center

To Go in God’s Name:

God’s blessing
 Parting song: *Who You Say I Am*

- **Nursery** is available in the basement for children ages infant-3 years old.
- **Children’s Church:** Little Lambs is available for ages 3-4 and Children in Worship is for ages 5-Kindergarten. A parent/guardian must pick them up from their classrooms in the basement after the service.
- **LIVE streaming** of the service is available on our Facebook page
- **Video recordings** are available on USB at the sound booth after the service or on DVD by request the following Monday afternoon from the office.

2021 COUNCIL		
Executive. Board: *		Church Office (231) 825-2171
Elders	District	Deacons
Bob Vennema *Clerk	#1, A-C	Gary Hesselink
Dale Fredin *Pres.	#2, D-E	Greg Tossey *Sec. of Deac.
Ken Meyering	#3, F-L	Tom Ouwinga *V.T.
Ken Roede *V.P.	#4, M-O	Dan Villwock
Jerry Koop	#5, P-T	Doug Mitchell
Bryan Eisenga	#6, V-Z	Adam Swiler
PASTORAL CARE VISITS: If you would appreciate a pastoral visit for whatever reason, please contact your district elder or Pastor Neil via Sara Bruno in the church office at (231) 825-2171. To reach Pastor Neil directory, his email is npjasperse@gmail.com.		

Upcoming Meetings:

October 25	7:00 pm	Elders Meeting
October 31	10:45 am	Brief Council Meeting
November 21	10:45 am	Congregational Meeting

<p><u>CHURCH OFFICE</u> (231) 825-2171 office@highlandcrc.org Normal Hours: Mon-Thurs: 8:30 am – 2:00 pm Fri-Sun: Closed</p> <p>**All bulletin content due by noon on Thursdays**</p>	<p><u>MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS</u> 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 (DaNay Tossey)</p>
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SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

We will be supporting the following service projects through November and December:

Marion Food Backpack Program: Our church is assembling a team to help fill food bags approximately once per month for kids to take home on the weekends at Marion Elementary. Bev Kamphouse is taking the lead on this project, we have a list of people interested in helping out and she will assemble a team as our date to pack grows closer.

Winter Clothing Drive: Our team has been organizing the clothing closet at Marion Elementary and taking inventory of what is needed in regards to winter clothing this year. We have a good stockpile to start from, but will always need the following new or gently used clothing:

- Black Snow-pants (6x-Adult small sizes)
- Winter Boots (youth 6 –Adult size 7)
- Winter coats (6x-Adult small)
- Gloves (all sizes, doesn't matter the color)

We are currently taking referrals from teaching staff and parents and will hand out mid-November.

Hoodie Drive: During our last team meeting it was discussed that teenagers will not wear coats whether they have them or not!! So, in an attempt to provide some warm clothing at Marion Jr. High and High School, we are doing a Hoodie Drive! Please consider donating new or gently used hoodie sweatshirts during the month of November. We will drop them off at the high school as they come in and as the weather grows colder.

Personal Hygiene Kits: Instead of adopting families for Christmas this year, our team thought it might be a good idea to put together personal hygiene kits to hand out to local homeless shelters and/or youth runaway programs. Each hygiene kit will include:

Female

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Bar of soap
- Toothbrush
- Tooth Paste
- 2 pairs of socks
- Feminine hygiene products

Male

- Shampoo
- Body Wash
- Bar or soap
- Toothbrush
- Tooth Paste
- 2 pairs of socks

**We are asking for full size versions of these products, which will be placed in a gallon sized zip lock bag. We hope to assemble kits and distribute the week of December 13th.

Items for all of these great projects can be placed on (or under) the Food Drive Table in the East Wing. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Service Team: Carrie Thompson, Sue Meeuwenberg, Julie Dorman and Kristin Sikkema

PRAYER CORNER

We lift up in prayer those that need healing: Please pray for Ruth Jasperse, Ken VanPolen, Dick Bruno, Carol Niver, Jean Kriebel, and BJ & Sue Cook. Lord, give them the healing and the patience they need and bless each of them in ways only you can do.

- ✚ Our thoughts prayers go out for Don & Phyllis Eisenga and family in the passing of Don's brother, **Ben Eisenga** on Sunday, October 17th. The funeral was held at Lucas Rehoboth Reformed Church this past Thursday.
- ✚ We extend out condolences to Bruce Buchholz and family in the passing of his wife **Pam Buchholz** last Sunday after a difficult battle with COVID. The funeral was held at Highland Church this past Saturday.

We Want To Pray For You!

- If you have a prayer request, please contact Sara Bruno or your district elder.
- The prayer request will be sent to everyone on the “**General Prayer Chain**” via the Bright Arrow Messaging system.
- If you want your request for prayer to be more private, you may ask that the message go to “**Prayer Warriors**” only. Prayer Warriors are those committed to confidentiality and repetitive prayer over a period of time.
- If you would like your name to be added to the Prayer Warrior list, please call either the church office or Sandy Rice.
- If you are making a request for prayer for someone other than your immediate family, please make sure that the individual is aware of the request and approves of it.

Missions	<p>Josh & Mandy Shaarda & Family Serving in Uganda Email: jshaarda@crcnapartners.org Blog: http://shaarda.blogspot.com/</p>	<p>George & Sarah de Vuyst & Family Serving in Ukraine Email: gdevuyst@crcna.org Website: http://www.devuysts.com</p>
Military	<p>Tyler Bode (Staff Sargent, U.S. Air Force) Davis Monthan Airforce Base, Tucson, AZ</p>	

OUR CHURCH WEEK: OCTOBE 24-30

SUN 10/24	9:15 AM	A time of prayer in the prayer room
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	10:50 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (MS & HS)
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TUES 10/26	5:45 PM	MOPS
WED 10/27	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study –Lesson 6
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
SAT 10/30	3:00-5:00 PM	Trunk or Treat (North parking lot; new basement if rain)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Sunday, we will be celebrating the Lord’s Supper.

Pastor Neil and Ruth are taking some vacation days to visit his 91-year old father in Sheboygan, Wisconsin. They expect to return either next Tuesday or Wednesday. If any urgent needs arise, please contact your shepherd elder. Sara can also contact Pastor Neil.

Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Study- This year, the group is looking at a study titled, *“I AM -Discovering Who Jesus Is”*. This week we will be looking at lesson 6.

Thank you Highland family for the generous shower of groceries and paper products. It was all greatly appreciated! ~Nick & Sarah (VanPolen) Brinks

The Highland Booster Club will be selling subs and croissants again this year. Orders need to be in by the end of today, October 24. We will be making them Thursday, November 11. There will be a sub order form in the fellowship hall if you would like to order. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Swiler.

Trunk or Treat is this Saturday, October 30th from 3-5 pm at Highland CRC. Weather permitting we would like to be outside in the North parking lot. Plan B is to be in the new basement under the sanctuary. Donuts, cider, and hot chocolate will be served. A cute craft and a photo area will be provided. Help needed: Trunkers, servers, and candy. See the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall.

Our MOPS group has a food sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for their next meeting. Our goal is to bless these moms with a hot meal they don’t have to cook themselves and to show we appreciate them.

ETM and Strong Tower- November 7th at 6:00 pm, we will be going to Lucas Rehoboth to watch the **Skit Guys**. Group tickets cost \$10 each if you sign up with Shari Benthem by October 31. After that they are \$12 for youth at the door. Adult tickets are \$15. There will be no youth group that night but plan on meeting at Lucas at 6:00 pm.

Help Needed: ETM (Early Teen Ministries) is still looking for helpers for our middle school boys and girls. We meet twice a month on Sunday from 6-7:30 pm. Please let Shari Benthem or Carrie Thompson know if you are interested in helping.

Little Lambs and Children in Worship We still need one more teacher and 2 more helpers. Please contact Anne Thomas or the church office if you are willing to help.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES: (Shoeboxes due: 11/14/2021)

New this year:

- Our Sunday school students will have a PACKING PARTY to fill the shoeboxes on November 14th. We will be collecting donations of money or items for the shoeboxes on October 31, November 7 & 14.
- Please drop off any donations at the table. We will be accepting monetary donations as well if you want us to shop for you or if you want to give money to help with shipping costs.
- Please check out the Operation Christmas Child table in the fellowship hall for more information on recommended items for the shoeboxes.
- Once shipped, we hope to track where they go all around the world!

Shipping & Drop-off Info:

- The cost of shipping the shoeboxes is \$9 per shoebox. Just a reminder--due to new custom regulations, toothpaste and candy of any kind is NOT allowed in the shoeboxes.
- **The National Collection Week will be November 15th-22th.** We will post bulletin updates as to the last date for pick up and will place posters around church as well. Once the shoeboxes are collected Becky Wemple will be able to deliver the shoeboxes to the Regional Drop-off Center in Tustin. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Becky Wemple (*phone # not posted online*). Thanks in advance for your donations and willingness to participate in this great opportunity to share God’s word all over the world!