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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
October 25	South: Scott & Karen Oeverman; North: Lindsay & Amara
November 1	South: Matt & Carrie Thompson; North: Devon & Hillary Dracht
November 8	South: Bob & Cindy Vennema; North: C.J. & Sara Bruno
November 15	South: Jason & Shari Benthem; North: Ken & Jodi Meyering
NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
October 25	Jan Rivera, Jennifer Peterson, Clair Thompson
November 1	Becky Wemple, Stephanie VanHouten, Harper Tossey
November 8	Maggie Southwick, Ruth Kulhawick, Gracyn Swiler
November 15	Donna Veddler, Lindsay Beerens, Emma Lee
CHILDREN'S CHURCH – (September – May; Sundays Only)	
October 25	Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helper: Gracyn Swiler
November 1	Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helper: Briggs Tossey
November 8	Teacher: Miranda Dykhouse; Helper: Harrison Tossey
November 15	Teacher: Amanda Lutke; Helper: Charlotte Thomas
SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT	
October 25	Kyle Meyering/Isaac Baas; Kaylie Benthem; Deborah Ouwinga
November 1	Matt Thompson/David McBride, Deb Eisenga, Tami Eisenga
November 8	Cary Sikkema, Dan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
November 15	Matt Thompson/Charlotte Thomas; Jon Ouwinga, Micah Chrispell
USHERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
October:	Al Thomas, Ben Thompson, Lars Fredin, Ken VanPolen, Jr.
November:	Adam Southwick, Butch Karsten, Alan Baas, Matt Thompson

2ND OFFERINGS

October:	**November:**
4: Booster Club	1st: Booster Club
11th: Right to Life	8th: World Renew
18th: American Bible League	15th: Love INC
25th: Capital Improvement Fund	22nd: Slack Family
	26th: Thanksgiving Envelopes
	29th: 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**



October 25, 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
October 25, 2026

The People of God Gather:

Prelude
Welcome & God's Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God & Respond to Him:
Graves into Gardens
Jesus Messiah
Prayer of Praise

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

To Proclaim God's Word
Children's Message: Pastor Mark
Song of Preparation: *No Longer Slaves*
Scriptures: Hebrews 11:30-31 & Joshua 2
Sermon: "Pretty Women, Pretty Good Faith"
Prayer of Response
Song of Response/Offertory: *Less Like Me*
Today's Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Capital Improvement Fund

To Go in God's Name
God's Blessing
Closing Song: *Life Song*
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:

Next Communion:
Sunday, November 1, 2026
Next Council Meetings:
Monday, November 2, 2026 (1 week early)
6:30 pm Elders
7:00 pm Deacons
7:30 pm Full Council
Next Congregational Meeting:
Sunday, November 22, 2026 - 10:40 am

Preaching Schedule:
October 25 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
November 1 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
November 8 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
November 15 : Mike Wissink
November 22 : Rev. Mark Bonnes
November 26* : Rev. Mark Bonnes
November 29 : Rev. Mark Bonnes

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Council Officers for 2026:

President	Steve Meeuwenberg
Vice President	Ken Meyering
Clerk	Greg Tossey
Sec. of Deacons	Jon Ouwinga
Vice Treasurer	James Bazuin

Pastor Mark Bonnes
Pastor Ashley Bonnes
Please contact our church office for directory assistance (231) 825-2171

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. The church office is closed Friday-Sunday.

MINISTRY LEADERS:

Care & Fellowship: Cindy Vennema
Education: _____
Facilities: Greg Hesselink & Devon Dracht
Outreach: _____
Prayer: Sandy Rice
Service: Carrie Thompson
Worship: Bonnie McBride

NOTES:

THANK YOU

Thank you to our Highland family for the visits, messages, cards, and words of comfort after Kevin's dad passed away. We appreciate those more than you know. ~Jodi and Kevin DeHate

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

Our condolences to **Jennifer & Eric Peterson and family** in the passing of Jennifer's dad, **Willard "Jim" Rice** (80) of LeRoy. Funeral service was held at Burkholder-Nielsen Funeral Home in McBain this past Saturday with Pastor Mark Bonnes officiating. A full obituary is available at https://www.burkholderfunerals.com/obituaries/willard-jim-rice.

Chris Sheats Update: Chris was able to come home this past Friday. Please continue to pray that God will provide strength, healing and patience for Chris and the Sheats family as they continue to navigate his recovery and adjustments ahead.

Nominees for Incoming Council were approved October 12. Please review the names listed below. If you have any concerns about a person or persons listed as nominees, please contact an elder or pastor. Also please be in prayer for those who have said yes to serving. We will be picking three out of the six names for elder and for deacon at our next Congregational meeting, November 22.

Confirmed Nominees for Deacons:	**Confirmed Nominees for Elders:**
Kyle Benthem	Den Kamphouse
CJ Bruno	Bob Lee
Mike Chrispell	Todd Schmid
Kendra Jenema	Adam Swiler
Cory Powers	Ken VanPolen, Jr.
Matt Thompson	Dave Wing

OUR MISSIONARIES:

- **Josh & Mandy Shaarda (Serving in Uganda)**
  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: OCTOBER 25-31

SUN 10/25	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 10:40 AM 4:30 PM	Prayer Worship Service S.S., MS/HS Catechism & New Members Class Fellowship Bible Study – S3: Lesson 5
MON 10/26	5:30 PM	Wellness Warriors (YB)
TUES 10/27	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study – Lesson 8
THUR 10/29	7:00 PM	FIC Course
SAT 10/31	3-5:00 PM	Trunk or Treat

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Communion: We will be celebrating Communion next Sunday, November 1. Parents, **i**f 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 resources available on the information table to help with those discussions.

Profession of Faith/New Member's Class will meet this morning in the Pastor's office during the Sunday School hour.

Fellowship Bible Study will meet this evening at 4:30 pm in the fellowship hall for Lesson 5 of Ray Vander Laan's video-led series, "Discipleship: The Study – Season 3". 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 8 of their study on the book of *Exodus*.

Freedom in Christ Couse meets at 7 pm on Thursdays in the youth building.

Trunk or Treat will be this Saturday, October 31, from 3-5 pm. Bring the family for a fun afternoon where all the fun is in one convenient location! Costumes, candy, soup and donuts! We will once again be sending out invites to the McBain, NMC and Marion Elementary schools so your help is greatly appreciated in making this community outreach event a success! We still need your help in the following areas:

- Trunkers
- 3-4 more soups
- Bags of candy (leave in office)
- Set up tables/chairs (Friday)
- Take down tables/chairs (Saturday)

Bright Arrow Phone-Tree Texting Update: We now have the option to receive church notifications via text. Once you have signed up for texts through the office, you will need to "OPT IN" by replying "Yes" to the text from Bright Arrow/Highland CRC that will accompany your next mass communication such as a prayer chain message. These texts will be coming from phone # 79041. If you are not receiving church texts, please contact Sara in the church office. If you prefer to stick with phone calls, you don't need to do anything.

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. **Sunday School & Middle School will be packing Christmas Shoeboxes on November 15.

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The **Women's Philharmonic Chorus** and the **AMEN Chorus** will begin rehearsals on Saturday, October 24. The Women's Chorus will rehearse from 4:30-6:15 and the AMEN Chorus will rehearse 6:15-8:15 at the *Cadillac Christian Reformed Church* to prepare for our December Concerts. Please bring $10 to help cover the cost of music. Any Youth (reading age through middle school) that would like to sing in the **Area Youth Choir** that will be joining the adult choirs for the Christmas programs at the auditorium are invited to attend rehearsals at the *First Presbyterian Church in Cadillac s*tarting Sunday, November 1 at 4:00. **Concert dates** are December 12 at 7:00 and December 13 at 4:00. The Women's Chorus will have an additional program on Monday, December 7 at 1:00. Any questions can be emailed to Angela Warner at kirkangelawarner@hotmail.com or call or text 231-330-0894.

Hunter's Chili Supper: Sunday, November 15 from 5 - 8 pm **-** Join us at Rehoboth Reformed Church (8372 S. Lucas Rd, McBain) for our 2nd Annual Hunter's Chili Supper! Enjoy homemade chili & soup, fellowship, and a baked goods sale. All proceeds go back into our local community! Everyone is welcome!

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.unitednwmi.com or Instagram: @unitednwmi.