

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

NURSERY

Oct 29 Steph VanHouten, Ruth Kulhawick, Nicole Schultz, Charlotte Thomas

Nov 5 Maggie Southwick, Karianne Smith, Donna Veddler, Emerson Tossey

Nov 12 Esther Bode, Barb Dore, Diane Nemeth, Franklin Baas

Nov 19 Jodi DeHate, Jodi Meyering, Mikayla Powers, Ben Thompson

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Oct 29 Teacher: Kasey McQuestion; Helpers: Nicole Koetje, Harper Tossey

Nov 5 Teacher: Megan Pluger; Helpers: Jordyn Richardson, Gracyn Swiler

Nov 12 Teacher: Miranda Dykhouse; Helpers: Lindsay Beerens, Emerson Tossey

Nov 19 Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helpers: Nicole Schultz, Steph VanHouten

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

Oct 29 Matt Thompson, Roger Hagerman, Deborah Ouwinga

Nov 5 Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Deborah Ouwinga

Nov 12 Cary Sikkema, Jonathan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate

Nov 19 Matt Thompson, Kaylie Benthem, Tami Eisenga

USHERS

October: Ryan McQuestion, James Bazuin, Jason Benthem, Brandon Veddler

November: Kyle Meyering, Jun Brinks, Scott Oeverman, Jim Ouwinga

2ND OFFERINGS:

October:

1st: Booster Club

8th: Oasis Family Resource Center

15th: Feeding America

22nd: Existing Building Fund

29th: Friends Ministry

November:

5th: Booster Club

12th: World Renew

19th: Existing Building Fund

23rd: Thanksgiving Envelopes

26th: Love Inc.

****If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, please find a replacement.
For additional assistance, please call the church office (231) 825-2171.**



October 29, 2023

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

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Sunday Worship 9:30 am

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

9034 23 Mile Rd; Marion

(231) 825-2171

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am

October 29, 2023

The People of God Gather:

Welcome
 God's Greeting
 Call to Worship: *(Shaarda Family)*
 Greet One Another

To Praise God

We Have Come Into His House (vs 1,2)
O Lord, Our Lord (vs 1,2)
 Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Ministry Update: Josh & Mandy Shaarda Family
 Announcements
 The Lord's Prayer / Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: Dale Fredin
 Song of Preparation: *The Servant Song*

Scripture: Acts 4: 33-35

Sermon: Living Love Out Is Serving Others

Prayer of Response
 Song of Response/Offertory: *Trust & Obey*
 Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Friends Ministry

To Go in God's Name

God's blessing
 Closing Song: *Bind Us Together*
 Postlude

***Our Nursery is available downstairs for children ages 0 - 3 years old.
 Children's Church is available for children ages 3 years old - Kindergarten
 downstairs following the Children's message.*

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

November 6 at 6:30 pm –Elders
 November 6 at 6:30 pm -Deacons
 November 6 at 6:30 pm -Council
 Nov. council mtgs. moved up 1 wk

PREACHING SCHEDULE:

October 29 – Pastor Mark Bonnes
 November 5 – Pastor Mark Bonnes
 November 12 – Pastor Mark Bonnes
 November 19 – Pastor Mark Bonnes
 November 23 – Pastor Mark Bonnes
 November 26 – Guest Pastor

CONGREGATION MEETING:

November 19 at 10:40 am

HIGHLAND COUNCIL:

Officers for 2023:

President	Jon Dracht	Pastor Mark Bonnes Pastor Ashley Bonnes *personal contact info is not posted online. Please call the church office.
Vice President	Don Eisenga	
Clerk	Alan Baas	
Sec. of Deacons	Kyle Meyering	
Vice Treas.	Kasey Rees	

Districts for 2023:

Elders	District	Deacons
Den Kamphouse	#1, A-C	David Wing
Alan Baas	#2, D-E	Kyle Meyering
Jon Dracht	#3, F-L	Devon Dracht
Paul Shaarda	#4, M-O	Kasey Rees
Don Eisenga	#5, P-T	Scott Oeverman
Don Ellens	#6, U-Z	Anne Thomas

<p><u>Church Office</u> (231) 825-2171 office@highlandcrc.org <u>Normal Office Hours:</u> Mon-Thurs 8:30 am – 2:00 pm Fri-Sun: Closed All bulletin announcements must be turned in 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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ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

The Highland CRC Service Team would like to remind the congregation that we have several church members who have volunteered to do yard work, minor household repairs, etc. in preparation for winter. Please contact Carrie Thompson or the church office if you or someone in our community could use some help this fall!

McBain Area Men's Night Out: Come on out for a fun evening November 8th at the Old Mill Venue in Marion. Our feature speaker will be Dr. David Murray, the author of *Reset: Living a Grace-paced Life in a Burn-out Culture*. Doors open at 6:00 pm and a New York Strip dinner will start at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$20. Please RSVP by Nov. 6th to the Vogel Center Church office at (231) 825-2053.

Vogel Center CRC is looking for folks who want to connect with our Spanish-speaking neighbors by being an English language tutor or helper. Call the Vogel Center Church office at (231) 825-2053 for more information.

Northern Michigan Christian School is looking for a full-time maintenance/custodian. This person would primarily do general cleaning such as vacuuming, mopping, dusting, emptying trash, etc. This person would work the evening shift from 2:30-11:00. Benefits include health insurance and 401K. Please send resumes to Scott Curell at scurell@nmcs.us. This position could be a part-time position for those who are interested in a part-time position.

Life Resources of Northern Michigan is hiring a Business Manager (Part-time position). The Business Manager is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day administrative operations. Major duties involve ensuring efficient office procedures, donor data entry, overseeing contracts & vendors, and helping maintain a comprehensive budget. Applicant must have strong computer & software skills, experience & confidence with spreadsheets, & Quick-books online as well as excellent organizational skills. Please email resumes to executive.director@liferesources.org. **If you wish to view a full job description, please check the bulletin board by the mailboxes.

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

✚ **B.J. & Sue Cook-** Please continue to pray for good health & patience as BJ begins the re-immunization process this fall.

✚ **Our Missionaries:**

- **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>

✚ **Our Active Military:**

- ✚ **SSgt, Tyler Bode;** U.S. Air Force; Aviano Air Force Base, Italy.

WEEKLY PRAYER EMPHASIS:

During the month of October, we want to focus on Trusting in God:

- **This Sunday**, we lift up prayers for trust that God's promises are true.
- **In the week ahead and next Sunday**, we lift up prayers of thankfulness for good health.

WE WANT TO PRAY FOR YOU!

At Highland, we strive to lift each other, in the good times and bad, in prayer and we have a few ways of doing that:

- **Weekly Bulletin:** Our bulletin has a section called Prayer Connections. If you would like a prayer request added to the bulletin in addition to or in place of a Prayer Chain message, please contact the church office.
- **The Prayer Chain** is a phone call sent out by the church office to the entire congregation through our Bright Arrow phone-tree. To request a prayer chain be started, please contact an Elder, Pastor, or the church office. If you are not already a part of the Prayer Chain but wish to be added, please contact the church office at (231) 825-2171.
- **Prayer Warriors:** These individuals are dedicated to confidential and consistent prayer over specific needs and concerns that might not yet be public knowledge. If you have a prayer request for one of our Prayer Warriors, or if you would like to become a Prayer Warrior, please contact Sandy Rice directly.

OUR CHURCH WEEK: OCTOBER 29 – NOVEMBER 4

SUN 10/29	9:15 AM	Prayer
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:40 AM	Sunday School, Catechism & Men’s Small Group
	12:00-3:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Use
	4:30 PM	Fellowship Bible Study – Ruth: Lesson 3
	6:00 PM	MS & HS meeting at Dick’s Farm & Corn Maze
TUES 10/31	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study (with Hilda) – Lesson 8
WED 11/1	6:30 PM	Family Night Dinner
	7:00 PM	Centershot, GEMS, Prayer Meeting
THURS 11/2	7:00 PM	Ladies Bible Study (with Linda) – Lesson 3 (meeting in the MS Youth room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today:

- **The family of Paul & Carole Shaarda** invites the congregation of Highland church to help them celebrate Paul & Carole’s 50th Wedding Anniversary! There will be cake served today during our fellowship time.
- **We welcome Josh & Mandy Shaarda and family** back to Highland this morning! In addition to celebrating with family, they are here to share an update re: their Ministry in Uganda as well as a special dance they have prepared for us.
- **Sunday School & Catechism:** 10:40 am – 11:30 am
- **Men’s Small Group Book Study** (during Sunday School): Week 6 of an 8-week marriage book study and small group discussion.
- **The Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study** will be looking at Lesson 3 tonight of their new study on “Ruth” starting at 4:30 pm in the fellowship hall with potluck supper following.

This Week:

- **Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study** (w/ Hilda) will be looking at Lesson 8 of “Women & Identity” this Tuesday beginning at 9:30 am.
- **Wednesday - Family Night Dinner** this week will be French toast, sausage links, scrambled eggs and fruit. Centershot, GEMS and Prayer Meeting begin at 7 pm.
- **Ladies Bible Study (with Linda)** will be meeting this Thursday, November 2 at 7 pm in the MS Youth Room for week 3 of their study “Discerning the Voice of God” by Priscilla Shirer.

Thank you to everyone that helped make our Trunk or Treat Event a success! Thank you to all of our Trunks, Crafters, Servers, and all those behind the scenes as well as all who donated soup and candy! Kids of Highland and our surrounding community look forward to this event every year and it’s only possible because of your continued support. Thank you! ~The Outreach Team

Booster Club’s Sub-sale is going on now!!! Choices include: ham and cheese, turkey and cheese, or ham, salami & cheese. All variations are available as subs or croissants. An order form with pricing information is available on the information table. All orders are **due November 5**. Sandwiches will be assembled November 13th. Any questions, please contact Laura Swiler or a Booster Club member.

Communion: Lord willing, we will be celebrating the Lord’s Supper on November 12.

November 19 – Fall Congregational Meeting will be held just after the morning worship service during the Sunday School hour. We will be voting on the 2024 Budget as well as drawing names for three new deacons and three new elders to serve a two-year term (2024/2025) on council.

- **Nominees for Elder:** Mark Eisenga, Bob Lee, Jerry Nemeth, Joe Kulhawick, Ken VanPolen, Jr. and Bob Vennema.
- **Nominees for Deacon:** James Bazuin, Gary Hesselink, Dale Medendorp, Todd Schmid, Carrie Thompson and Curt Wemple

Christmas Shoeboxes: Your generosity and continued support of the Christmas Shoebox Project is greatly appreciated! There is a table set up in the fellowship hall with empty Christmas shoeboxes, boy/girl info and shipping information. You are welcome to fill these up at home and return them by **November 19**. If you would like to make a monetary donation and have someone else do the shopping for you, please contact Becky Wemple. Our Sunday school and MS Catechism groups will be packing the remaining shoeboxes during the Congregational Meeting with items you’ve helped collect throughout the year. All shoeboxes must be turned in to the Christmas shoebox table by the end of Sunday school on **November 19** so they can be delivered to the regional drop off station in Tustin.

The Highland Thanksgiving Dinner has been scheduled for Sunday, November 19 at 12:30 pm. Table service, coffee, juice and meat will be provided. Please bring a dish or 2 to pass. Please check the sign-up sheet on the information table if you are able to contribute toward the following: 8 pans of potatoes (cheesy, scalloped or mashed), four crockpots of dressing and 12 dozen rolls. Any questions, please contact Faye Fredin.

Marion Food Pantry Needs: The Marion Food Pantry has requested the following items over the next couple weeks: Baby Items (especially diapers, any size, small packages), gravy packets, meatloaf seasoning packages, chili seasoning packets, and small packages of dog and cat food. Any questions, please let Carrie Thompson know!