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

GREETERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
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
November 22	South: Kevin & Tami Eisenga; North: Jim & Bev Ouwinga
NURSERY – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
November 1	Becky Wemple, Stephanie VanHouten, Harper Tossey
November 8	Maggie Southwick, Ruth Kulhawick, Gracyn Swiler
November 15	Donna Veddler, Lindsay Beerens, Emma Lee
November 22	Esther Bode, Cam Mulder, Casey Thomas
CHILDREN'S CHURCH – (September – May; Sundays Only)	
November 1	Teacher: Jodi DeHate; Helper: Briggs Tossey
November 8	Teacher: Miranda Dykhouse; Helper: Harrison Tossey
November 15	Teacher: Amanda Lutke; Helper: Charlotte Thomas
November 22	Teacher: Sara Bruno; Helper: Khloe McQuestion
SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT	
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
November 22	Kyle Meyering, Kaylie Benthem, Deborah Ouwinga
USHERS – Please arrive by 9:15 am	
November:	Adam Southwick, Butch Karsten, Alan Baas, Matt Thompson
December:	Franklin Baas, Gary Hesselink, Kerwin Huttenga, Curt Wemple

2ND OFFERINGS	
November: 1st: Booster Club 8th: World Renew 15th: Love INC 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**

LIVE STREAM:

The LIVE stream of our Sunday Worship Service is now available on our YouTube channel, http://www.youtube.com/@HighlandCRCLIVE (make sure it says **LIVE) or follow the link posted on our Facebook page.



November 1, 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
Worship Service – 9:30 am
November 1, 2026

The People of God Gather:

Prelude: *We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise (piano/organ)*
Welcome & God's Greeting
Greet One Another

To Praise God & Respond to Him:
We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer (vs 1-3)
Psalm 104:1
O Worship The King (vs 1, 2 & 5)
O How He Loves You & Me (vs 1 & 2)
Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God
Announcements
Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word
Children's Message: Anne Thomas
Song of Preparation: *Holy Ground*
Passage: Hebrews 11:24-27, Exodus 4.1-17
Sermon: A Reluctant Hero

To Partake in the Lord's Supper
The Lord's Prayer
Communion *please remain seated as the elements are passed
Bread- Song: *The Old Rugged Cross (vs 1-3)*
Juice- Song: *There Is A Redeemer (vs 1-3)*
Prayer of Response
Song of Response/Offertory: *Cross Medley (piano/organ)*
Today's Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Booster Club

To Go in God's Name
God's Blessing
Closing Song: *I'd Rather Have Jesus*
Postlude

***Children's Bulletins** are available on the information table.. **Children's Church** is available for children age 3-Kindergarten. They will be dismissed to their classroom downstairs following the Children's message of the service. **Parents must pick up their child from the classroom directly after the worship service. **Nursery** is available downstairs each Sunday, year-round for children ages 0 - 3 years old.*

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:
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.

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:

"OUR WORLD BELONGS TO GOD" - THANKSGIVING 2026

Week 1 (Nov. 1): "From the beginning, through all the crises of our times, until his kingdom fully comes, God keeps covenant forever. Our world belongs to him! God is King! Let the earth be glad! Christ is Victor; his rule has begun. Hallelujah! The Spirit is at work, renewing the creation. Praise the Lord!" (*Our World Belongs to God*, paragraph 2)

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

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: NOVEMBER 1-7

SUN 11/1	9:15 AM	Prayer
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:40 AM	S.S., MS/HS Catechism & New Members Class
	4:30 PM	Fellowship Bible Study – S3: Lesson 6
	6-8:00 PM	MS/HS Youth Groups
MON 11/2	5:30 PM	Wellness Warriors (YB)
	6:30 PM	Elders Meeting (MS Youth Room)
	7:00 PM	Praise Team Practice (Sanctuary)
	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting (Deacon Room)
	7:30 PM	Council Meeting (MS Youth Room)
TUES 11/3	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study – Lesson 9
	5:45 PM	REV Moms
WED 11/4	6:30 PM	Family Night Dinner
	7:00 PM	Centershot & GEMS
THUR 11/5	7:00 PM	FIC Course (Youth Building)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This morning we have the opportunity to celebrate **Communion** together. Highland CRC welcomes to the table all baptized adults and children who believe in Christ alone for their salvation and desire to live out their love of Christ each day. We believe our covenant children have a place at the Lord's table when they show age appropriate faith and a desire to encounter Jesus.

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 6 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 9 of their study on the book of *Exodus*.

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

Highland's Booster Club is taking Sub Orders 11/1-11/8. Please find a booster club member or the order form on the information table to place your order. Subs will be made on Wednesday, November 11 just in time for deer camp!

Bright Arrow Phone-Tree Texting Update: If you recently signed up for text messages from the church but have not received any yet, please contact Sara in the church office.

Christmas Shoebox Collection: Thank you for your continued support of Operation Christmas Child. Attention Parents: Sunday School & Middle School students will be packing Christmas Shoeboxes on November 15. If you have any items you wish to include it's not too late to send them in.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NMC Auction: Join us on November 7, 2026, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM for the 32nd annual "Building the Future Auction" at Northern Michigan Christian School, located at 128 S. Martin St; McBain.

- **Tickets:**
  - **Online Auction:** November 5 & 6 (no tickets needed)
  - **Live Auction Event:** November 7 (tickets available for purchase November 7.
- **Donations:** Each donation comes with a chance to win a Browning gun safe and mystery gun valued at OVER $6,500! Visit nmcs.us/auction to enter to win, donate an item, become a sponsor, or learn more about this exciting event! We will start displaying items on the auction website next week! So check back later for exciting items on the Online Auction and a preview of the Live Auction Items!
- **Questions:** Please contact Diane Eisenga at deisenga@nmcs.us.

Thank you for helping us build the future at NMCS! We would still love your support through a donated auction item or an underwriting sponsorship! Every contribution helps support our students, strengthen our school programs, and make a Christ-centered education accessible to more families.

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.

Christmas Worship Extravaganza: Friday, December 4, & Saturday, December 5 at 7:00 pm. Lake City CRC is excited to announce their 2026 Christmas Worship Extravaganza! The evening will include over 75 musicians representing 35 local churches as well as the McBain Highlighters joining together to share their God-given talents celebrating the birth of Christ through a wide variety of music! You won't want to miss it! Lake City CRC is located at 1657 S. Morey Rd., Lake City.

The **Women's Philharmonic Chorus** and the **AMEN Chorus** will be holding their annual Christmas Concerts on 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.