

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

NURSERY

- 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
Nov 23 Mary Rees, DaNay Tossey, Bev Taylor, Kendyn Meyering
Thanksgiving

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

- Nov 5** Teacher: Megan Plugger; 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
Nov 23 No Children’s Church
Thanksgiving

SOUND / VIDEO / POWERPOINT

- Nov 5** Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Deborah Ouwinga
Nov 12 Cary Sikkema, Jonathan Ouwinga, Jodi DeHate
Nov 19 Matt Thompson, Kaylie Benthem, Tami Eisenga
Nov 23 Kyle Meyering, Dan Ouwinga, Deb Eisenga
Thanksgiving

USHERS

- November:** Kyle Meyering, Jun Brinks, Scott Oeverman, Jim Ouwinga
December: Steve Meeuwenberg, Isaac Baas, Dale Taylor, Aaron Plugger

2ND OFFERINGS:

- 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.**



November 5, 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

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)

HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Morning Worship Service – 9:30 am

November 5, 2023

The People of God Gather:

Prelude (Special Music): *Let Us Give Thanks*

Welcome

Call to Worship

God's Greeting

Greet One Another

To Praise God

O How Good It Is (vs 2, 3)

The Bond of Love (vs 1,2)

The Servant Song (vs 1,2,5)

Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Serve God

Preparatory Reading

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

To Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message: Al Thomas

Song of Preparation: Go Light Your World (vs 1,3)

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 5:6-12

Sermon: *When it's Not a Good Idea*

Prayer of Response

Song of Response/Offertory (Special Music): *Grace Medley*

Offerings: 1st: General Fund; 2nd: Booster Club

To Go in God's Name

God's blessing

Closing Song: They'll Know We Are Christians (vs 1,4)

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:

November 5 – Pastor Mark Bonnes

November 12 – Pastor Mark Bonnes

November 19 – Pastor Mark Bonnes

November 23 – Pastor Mark Bonnes

November 26 – Pastor Jim DeZeeuw

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:

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!

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!

Area Men, you still have time to get those last minute tickets and come to the Olde Mill Venue in Marion for a night of good food and fellowship. We will be serving a New York strip steak dinner and listening to a wonderful testimony and speaker. Sign up by November 6th by contacting either Jim Winkel (231) 920-7751 or Phil Lucas (231) 429-2288.

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.

McBain PTO's Annual Holiday Craft Market: Saturday, November 25, 2023 from 9 AM to 3 PM. There will be 175 booths of hand crafted items, a raffle and luncheon. Admission is free.

Rehoboth Reformed Christmas Marketplace! Saturday, December 2nd from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm! Start planning ahead to attend the Christmas Marketplace! There will be many vendors and talented crafters selling beautiful items for Christmas gifts! Also, we will be having our famous cookie walk and bake sale! We will also be serving lunch and cinnamon rolls. Please join us as we work to raise money for local charities. We are located at 8372 S. Lucas Rd., McBain

THANK YOU:

We felt so blessed by all the Anniversary wishes and hugs passed unto us last Sunday. Thank you for sharing this time with us. We will treasure it for the rest of our lives. Blessings to each of you. ~Paul & Carole Shaarda

PRAYER CONNECTIONS:

Weekly Prayer Emphasis: During the month of November, we want to focus on being thankful for God's blessings.

- **This Sunday**, we lift up prayers of thankfulness for good health.
- **In the week ahead and next Sunday**, we lift up prayers of thankfulness for family.

✚ 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.

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: NOVEMBER 5-11

SUN 11/5	9:15 AM 9:30 AM 10:40 AM 4:30 PM 6:00 PM	Prayer Worship Service Sunday School, Catechism & Men's Small Group Fellowship Bible Study – Ruth: Lesson 4 MS & HS Youth Group –Regular Meeting
TUES 11/7	9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study (with Hilda) – Lesson 9
WED 11/8	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
THURS 11/9	7:00 PM	Ladies Bible Study (with Linda) – Lesson 4

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today:

- **Sunday School & Catechism:** 10:40 am – 11:30 am
- **Men's Small Group Book Study** (during Sunday School): Week 7 of an 8-week marriage book study and small group discussion.
- **The Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study** will be looking at Lesson 4 tonight of their 6-week study on "Ruth" starting at 4:30 pm in the fellowship hall with potluck supper following.
- **MS & HS Youth Group** will be meeting at 6:00 pm for their regular meeting.

This Week:

- **Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study** (w/ Hilda) will be wrapping up their book "Women & Identity" with Lesson 9 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 4 of their study "Discerning the Voice of God" by Priscilla Shirer.

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

Mailboxes have been recently updated. Please use caution when grabbing your mail that you are pulling from the correct mailbox as most have slightly shifted. If you are unable to locate your mailbox or wish to be added/removed from the mailbox list, please notify Sara in the church office during normal office hours or with a note on her desk. Thank you!

Directory Update: **Shirley Boven** is now living at Quiet Creek AFC in Falmouth. Please send all cards or notes to her daughter Jan Rivera's address and she will deliver them to her. For contact information, please call the church office as this information is not posted online.

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, Todd Schmid, Carrie Thompson and Curt Wemple. Dale Medendorp has withdrawn his name from consideration. Council has approved moving forward with five names.

Booster Club's 2023 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.

Booster Club's 2023 Christmas Wreath & Poinsettia Sale is here! Please check the order form in the fellowship hall or contact a booster club member directly for more information on our assorted options! **All orders are due November 19** **If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in memory of a loved one to be placed in the front of church, please contact **Jodi Meyering** directly BEFORE November 19.

A Note from the Booster Club- We are so blessed to have a congregation that faithfully supports Christian education through your monthly giving and support with our fundraisers. We truly thank you for making NMC a possibility for 23 kids from Highland. If you have Christian education on your heart and have questions about how to make it work for your family feel free to ask a booster club member any questions you might have.

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.