

Heritage Happenings

Heritage Christian Reformed Church • 2857 S 11th Street • Kalamazoo MI 49009

Worship

Kingdom Code: Revolutionary Living ~ Jesus taught that we enter God’s kingdom through grace. It doesn’t depend on what we do. But that doesn’t mean we can do anything we want. Jesus doesn’t abolish God’s law, he embodies it. The law is now the standard by which God evaluates the kind of life we are supposed to live in the Kingdom.

This is why Jesus says to us in Matthew 5:16, “*Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.*” What follows are 5 segments that describe some of the good God expects of us, good that points to a way of living that is both genuine and revolutionary. Join us in this series and discover Jesus’ “Kingdom Code” and His call to a life that brings God all the glory.

- 1/22 ~ Purity in Passion
- 1/29 ~ What the Big “D” (“I Do”) Really Means
- 2/5 ~ On Guard Against Truth Decay
- 2/12 ~ Getting Even or Going Further
- 2/19 ~ Extreme Love: Kingdom Edition

This evening we welcome Mr. Joey DeKoekoek, Youth Pastor at Grace CRC, to Heritage Church as he leads us in worship.



The acronym P.U.S.H. stands for “**Pray Until Something Happens.**” It reminds us that prayer, like the Christian walk, takes work and discipline. Believing that through prayer we enter into and align ourselves with what God is doing, Pastor Simon invites you to join him on ***this Wednesday at 7:00 pm*** for a time of prayer in the Council Room. Join him as we set ourselves to pray together – boldly, faithfully and expectantly.



Fellowship

Anniversaries...

Jim & Marian Razenberg ~ January 16

Birthdays...

Donna Lingbeek ~ January 15

Angie Newell ~ January 17

Carter Scheel ~ January 17



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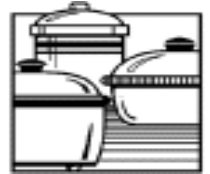
Dear Heritage Church: Thank you for the Christmas Dinner. Merry Christmas & God’s blessings in the New Year. ***Jan VandeStreek***

Thank you to our faithful & diligent librarians here at Heritage. Thank you for keeping our library up to date, organized, & for our monthly “library news”. We appreciate you!

Ministry

International Student Luncheon is here again!

Our next opportunity to share lunch is Thursday, February 9. Please take a moment this morning to sign up to bring an item or two for the international students at WMU. There are many options such as a casserole (with meat or without), salad, fruit, vegetables, or something to drink. If you are able to help deliver & serve lunch, you can sign up for that too! (all items need to be at church by 10:30 am on February 9.)



Bible Study for Women: Do you find it hard to know what God is saying versus what others are saying? How do you know when God is speaking to you? The Bible Study *Discerning the Voice of God: How to Recognize When God Speaks* by Priscilla Shirer is designed to teach Biblical truths that help us to know the voice of God: His language, character and tone of voice. Through this study, as we spend time in God’s Word and better understand the role of the Holy



BIBLE
Study

Spirit, we will learn how to distinguish God's voice above all others.

We will meet Thursday mornings from 9:30 – 11 am. Child care will be provided. If you are interested in participating in this Bible Study, please contact Heather Tuin.

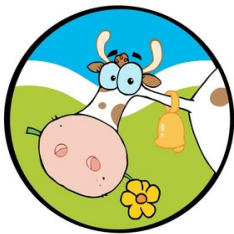
Volunteers Needed: A new schedule is being constructed for the months of January-April. We need volunteers to serve young mothers by caring for their children on Thursday mornings from 9:30-11 am during the G.R.O.W. Group. If you are able to help, please contact Heather Tuin.

A Good Old Fashion Work

Day is being planned here at Heritage (most likely a Saturday morning). We are looking for volunteers to help remove wallpaper from the bathrooms for a much needed face lift. If you are willing and able, please let Gary Broekhuizen know.



Evangelism & Missions



Daisy needs your help!!!

Please sign up today if you can sponsor Daisy in January & February, 2012. For simply \$140/month or \$35/week you can partner with Foods Resource Bank and Christian Reformed

World Relief Committee to bring support and God's love to those who are hungry around the world. Please prayerfully consider filling this need.

Loaves & Fishes: *Wish list:*

January: Canned Fruit & Vegetables

Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall



Emails or Letters to Missionaries

Nick & Ann Nieboer ~ Ron DeYoung
Phil & Barb Nieboer ~ Jimmy Lin
Jerry & Trudy Oele ~ Joseph Mutebi
Joel & Emily Oele ~ Larry Spalink

If you do not have a copy of our missionaries' email addresses, both their most current newsletter and email addresses are on the Missionary table right next to the mailboxes!

Offerings and Tithes

PM	<i>Offering is always for the General Fund</i>	
Jan 15:	General Fund	Faith Promise
	Loose Change	Benevolence Fund
Jan 22:	General Fund	Debt Reduction
	Loose Change	Rehoboth
Jan 29:	General Fund	
	Loose Change	Kzoo Loaves & Fishes
Feb 5:	General Fund	Christian Education
	Loose Change	Christian Schools Int

Offerings deposited for January 8...

Building Fund ~ \$250.00
Christian Education Assistance ~ \$80.00
Faith Promise ~ \$175.00
General Fund ~ \$5,478.65
Kalamazoo Christian School ~ \$58.50
Ministry Shares ~ \$451.00
Initial offering ~ \$20.00

Requested Announcements

Really Knowing Jesus: CBI students explain what they think it means to really know Jesus in this week's Letters from Prison. Go to www.cbi.fm to listen to ***Crossroad Connection*** ~ a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.

Love: Turn on almost any music radio station and you'll likely hear a song about love within a matter of minutes. But if you open the newspaper or read your favorite online new site, you'll likely need to search a few pages of stories before you read about love. So how much is love really reflected in our culture? And is it the same love the Bible describes? The January 22nd ***Groundwork*** discussion, based on 1 Corinthians 13, focuses on the virtue of love. Find a local radio station or listen online at www.GroundworkOnline.com.

Dare Ya: Have you ever been dared to do something you knew was wrong? Join Liz as he tries to figure out how not to give in to peer pressure on this week's ***Kids Corner***. Then contact Kids Corner at Box 506, Worth IL 60482 or kids@kidscorner.net for your very own Bible Study.

Married Couples of All Ages! You are invited on a trip. The accommodations include 2 nights, 5 meals, and Sunday worship at Geneva Shores Retreat Center in Holland, Michigan. The highlight of the journey is discovery and adventure in a place that is important to you – your relationship. The next ***Reformed***

Marriage Encounter weekends in your area are February 10-12 weekend or March 9-11. Register by contacting registration couple Jim & Kathy Molenkamp at 616-538-2749 or register online @ www.reformedme.org. Register before January 23 to be assured a spot.

Kalamazoo Deacons Conference has a need for *volunteers* in our clothing area. If you enjoy clothing and are willing to provide a welcoming environment and positive experience for our guests, please contact Michael at 269-344-7333.



Upcoming Concerts:

On Friday, February 10, 2012 at 7:30 pm, the **Kalamazoo Gospel Mission** is hosting "Jazzy Celebration: A Valentine's Concert" featuring renowned flutist, Alexander Zonjic and Men of Grace from Grace Centers of Hope in Pontiac, MI. The concert will be held at Kalamazoo First Assembly in Portage, MI. Advanced tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 per couple and can be purchased by coming to the Mission at 448 N. Burdick Street, or calling 269-345-2974, ext 205. Tickets at the door are \$20.

Calvin alums Glenn Bolthuis & Debra Perry & Majestic Praise have teamed up on a new recording project: "Gloryland". The CD release concert is set for Wednesday, February 29, 2012 at the Covenant Fine Arts Center on the campus of **Calvin College** at 7:30 pm. Tickets go on sale Wednesday, January 11 for \$14/adults, \$10/for groups of 12 or more, \$5/students and children. Please call 616-526-6282, or go to www.calvin.edu/boxoffice to order your tickets. A great night of Gospel, fun, Calvin songs, bluegrass (and even some rock and roll)!

Calling all Kalamazoo area GEMS and Cadets for a fun Roller skating Party! Join us on Wednesday, January 18 from 6:30-8:30 pm at Great Skate Roller Rink (10496 Portage Road). The cost is \$4.75 per person which includes quad roller skate rental. You may bring your own in-line skates or roller skates as long as the wheels are clean. Concession is available. Hope to see you there! Parents are welcome to skate! Please pick up your child by 8:30 pm. Thanks!

Ministry/Job Opportunity: If you are a college student or older with a passion & heart for teens, and/or are looking to one day teach or go into ministry, then maybe God is calling you to work on the youth staff at the Conference Grounds. We are

looking for experienced godly individuals who are in love with the Lord first & desire to share Christ with teens. Experience in working with teens is helpful along with being able to lead Bible study for large groups of students. Ability to play guitar and lead worship is a bonus. We are looking for a male & female leader for our Middle School Ministry this summer. If you are interested in applying, contact Kurt via email and send your resume to kurt@crcg.org or call the Grounds at 616-842-4478.

Kalamazoo Gospel Mission: invites you to join them on Saturday, January 21, 2012 as they launch their **Building Hope for the Future** campaign – as we build a 'house of hope' for nearly 300 homeless women, children, and families. The special program begins at 10:10 am and tours and refreshments will be at 10:45 am. For more information, visit us at www.buildinghopeforthefuture.org.

You might be Dutch if...

You have a two volume address book,
Volume one: A-U and Volume two: V-Z

All your cookies taste like almonds

You make your bed in your hotel room

At your wedding everyone is swaying
but no one is dancing

All your recipes are adapted to fit a 9 x 13 pan

The usher never needs to ask you
where you want to sit and...

You consider ketchup a spice!



NURSERY: Jan 15: Lyndsay Berkenpas & Ellen Byle

Jan 22: Barb Razenberg & Ruth Wagner

COFFEE SERVERS: Jan 15 & 22: Vicki Kinens, Rick & Donna Lingbeek, Bob & Barb Razenberg
Jan 29 & Feb 5: Judy Wieringa, Helen Selles, Ken & Judy Fletcher, Greg & Sue Mejeur

HEARTLAND HEALTHCARE CENTER (Services begin at 3:30 pm & last approx 30 minutes)

Jan 15: Harold & Phyllis Triezenberg

Jan 22: Bill Vroegop

If you can't speak or play on the date you are scheduled, please trade with someone else on the list.


PRAYER LINE MINISTRY ~ January: Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY ~ prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY ~ January: Heather Tuin



MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY ~Jan 15: Paul Booden **Jan 22:** Zach Razenberg **PM Gary Broekhuizen**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
15 9:30 am Pastor Simon "If Looks Could Kill" <i>(What No One See Matters)</i> Matthew 5:21-26 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Joey DeKoekkoek "Joseph & His Coat of Many Troubles" Genesis 37:12-36	16	17 Admin Board Meeting <i>(note date change)</i> 7 pm	18 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	19 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am	20	21
22 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Purity in Passion" Matthew 5:27-30 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Pastor Simon Acts 2:1-47 "The Power to Proclaim"	23	24 Book Club 2-4 pm Kalamazoo Classis Meeting at Westwood CRC Council – 7 pm	25 Ladies Fellowship Bible Study 9:45 – 11 am	26 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am	27	28
29 9:30 am Pastor Simon "What the Big "D" ("I Do") Really Means Matthew 5:31-32 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Post Classis Pulpit Exchange	30	31 Elders Meeting 3 pm <i>(note date change)</i>	1 FEBRUARY Men's Bible Fellowship 7 am Praise Team Practice 6:30-8 pm	2 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am  Groundhog Day	3	4
5 COMMUNION 9:30 am Pastor Simon "On Guard Against Truth Decay" Matthew 4:33-37 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Pastor Simon "Compassion for the Hurting" Acts 3:1-26	6	7 Deacons 7 pm	8 Ladies Fellowship Bible Study 9:45 – 11 am	9 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am International Student Luncheon at WMU	10	11

Newsletter articles need to be submitted by Wednesday at noon.

Call, leave a note, or e-mail your announcement to churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.
Cancellations A tornado watch or warning in effect 1 hour prior to a worship service or meeting will result in the worship service or meeting being cancelled. Announcements regarding worship services will be announced on WWMT channel 3, WOODTV Channel 8 and WOTV channel 4. **Office Hours** Tuesday – Wednesday: 9-2 pm & Thursday 9-Noon

Newsletter DEADLINE