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SUNDAY WORSHIP
@ 9:30 AM (Nursery provided)
SUNDAY EVENING @ 5:00 PM

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
Wednesday at noon. Call,
leave a note, or e-mail to
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday : 8:00 am—2 pm
Thursday : 8:00 am—Noon

Volunteer Schedule...

NURSERY: January 31: Dorothy Broekhuizen & McKena Razenberg
February 7: Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur

COFFEE SERVERS: Jan 31: Ken & Judy Fletcher, Donna Penning, Bruce & Ruth Fletcher
Feb 7/14: John & Kim Bruinwood, Herm & Gretchen Vanders, Gary & Dorothy Broekhuizen

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

January 31: Simon Tuin & Donna Penning
February 7: Glen Wagner & Marilyn Stremler

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: January: Judy Wieringa/February:

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: January 31: Lisa Durian February 7: Ferrel Stremler
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 9:30 am Pastor Simon "The Heart of the Matter: Stewardship" 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; 1 Peter 4:7-11 10:50 Catechism 5 pm Pastor Phil Kok "A Solid Foundation" Colossians 1:15-23	1  © Can Stock Photo	2 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	3	4 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	5	6
7 COMMUNION 9:30 am Pastor Simon "The Heart of the Matter: Workmanship" Ephesians 2:8-10 & Colossians 3:12-17 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Pastor Simon "The Doctrine of Original Sin" Romans 5:12-21 BREAKOUT: 6:30-8:30 pm	8	9 Kalamazoo Classis Prayer Meeting 7 am Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30-11am Admin Bd Mtg— 7 pm	10	11 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am <i>International Student Luncheon</i> Drop off at church by 10:30 am	12	13
14 LENT 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Because of the Lord's Anger" Jeremiah 52 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Pastor Simon "Chosen" Ephesians 1:3-14	15	16 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	17 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	18 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	19	20
21 LENT 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Speaking the Unspeakable" Lamentations 1 10:50 am Sunday School 5 pm Seminarian James Lee BREAKOUT—6:30—8:30 pm	22	23 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Shepherding Elders—7 pm	24 Book Club 2 pm	25 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	26	27 Food Giveaway at Prairie Ridge Elementary 7:30 am setup 9 am food drop

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HAPPENINGS

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What's Up In Worship

"Out of the Depths: A Series on the Book of Lamentations." The Book of Lamentations goes into the dark places of human suffering. It probes the depths of human despair and the often seeming silence of God in such moments. In doing so, it reminds us that God is the One to whom we bring our anger, pain and protest as well as our penitence and prayer. Join us this Lenten season beginning Sunday, February 14 as we remember and embrace the One in whom alone our hope can be ultimately secure.

Lent
BEGINS

Tonight in a post classis pulpit exchange we welcome Pastor Phil Kok from Prairie Edge CRC as Pastor Simon heads to Prairie Edge. Pastor Phil has been at Prairie Edge since September of 1998. Pastor Phil is married with 3 daughters. He enjoys golfing and woodworking. May God bless both men as they bring God's Word.

Celebrations

Birthdays
Bob Razenberg ~ February 2
Bruce Fletcher ~ February 4



Anniversaries
Jack & Evie Wenke ~ February 4—50 years!

Ministry

G.R.O.W. Women's Bible Study: Who wants to merely go through the motions of religion? In **Hoping for Something Better: Refusing to Settle for Life as Usual** Nancy Guthrie shows that Jesus Himself offers the something better we've been looking for, applying the truths of Hebrews to real-life issues.

Join us Thursdays starting February 4 from 9:30 am to 11 am for a 10 week study in the book of Hebrews. If you have any questions or would like to indicate your interest, please talk to Heather Tuin.

We have been asked by the **Red Cross** to purchase cookies for the Veterans. All cookies must be **purchased from the bakery department** of grocery stores. Please mark cookies for Veterans and have in the kitchen by February 21. If you have any questions, please see Evie Wenke.



Men's Bible Fellowship Bible Study will not meet on Wednesday, February 3 but will resume meeting on Wednesday, March 2 at 8 am! See you then!

Ministry continued...

Winter Clothing Drive: Prairie Ridge Elementary needs mittens, hats, snow pants, coats and boots. Donations may be dropped off at the table set up in the Fellowship Hall.



Opportunities to Serve...

Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes: A grocery cart in the Gym/Fellowship Hall is available every week to collect non-perishable food items for Loaves & Fishes. Please support this ministry!

Oshtemo Area Churches Food Pantry: Help staff and expand a food pantry through Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes. Talk to Christine Barr, Leader of the Food Pantry at Voyage Church: cbarrj@frontier.com, 269.760.3384

Alternatives of Kalamazoo: A baby basinet is available in the Fellowship Hall for donations to support Alternatives Pregnancy Care Center of Kalamazoo. Needed items include diapers, baby food, new or gently used clothing, receiving blankets, etc. A list is available in the basinet.

Other news

International Student Luncheon is just around the corner; Thursday, February 11. If you can help provide a casserole (meat or vegetarian), fruit, juice, or a salad, please sign up at the table in the Narthex. Disposable pans are available on the table for your use. Please have all food in the Kitchen on Thursday, February 11 by 10:30 am. Thank you!



Missions & Missionaries...

Loaves & Fishes wish list:
January: Beef Stew
February: Rice

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

Emails or Letters to Missionaries...

Donna Penning ~ Van Ankum Family
Bob & Barb Razenberg ~ Kathleen Lauder
Jim & Marian Razenberg ~ Jerry An

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 next to the mailboxes

Offering Schedule

Jan 31	General Fund Loose Change: Chr Schools Intern
Feb 7	General Fund: Christian Education Loose Change: World Renew
Feb 14	General Fund: Ministry Shares Loose Change: Love, INC
Feb 21	General Fund: Faith Promise Loose Change: Benevolence

Offerings (for January 24)

- Adopt a Cow ~ \$50.00
- Benevolence Fund ~ \$20.00
- Building Fund ~ \$175.00
- Christian Ed Assistance ~ \$75.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$610.00
- General Fund ~ \$4,093.00
- Initial offering ~ \$15.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$130.00
- Rehoboth Christian School ~ \$166.00



Requested Announcements

Dignity, Purpose and Hope for Returning Citizens: Have you ever been excited to pay taxes? Brian Vork, executive director of 70x7 Life Recovery, explains why some returning citizens look forward to doing just that and how this ministry helps them achieve that goal. Go to www.cbi.tv to watch this week's *Crossroad Connection!*

Kalamazoo Christian School Association Presents Bethany Hamilton, Tuesday, March 29, 2016 at 6 pm for the next Think Big fundraiser at Wings Event Center. Reserved tickets are \$35, \$40 and \$45 in person at Wings Event Center plus a \$1 per ticket fee. Online tickets will be charged a \$5.50 per ticket fee as well as a \$4.50 per order fee when using ticketmaster.com.

Plan now to join the Kalamazoo Christian School Booster Club in their annual **golf outing**. Proceeds for this years golf outing will be used towards the resurface of the track, they are approximately 2/3 of the way toward the goal of \$150,000. The annual golf outing will be on Monday, June 6, 2016 at 8 AM at Thornapple Golf Course. Registration forms available on the kchristiansports.com website, under the Booster Club tab or by contacting Dave Doorn by phone 269-665-9622 or email dave.doorn@hp.com.

Park Village Pines, a Christian assisted living community in Kalamazoo, will be hosting its annual Spring Gala Banquet on Thursday, April 14 at the Bernhard Center of WMU. The featured speaker will be **Cal Thomas**, syndicated columnist, author, and conservative political commentator who is sure to bring an interesting perspective in this presidential election year. For more information or to indicate your desire to attend this no-cost event (and bring friends) call Allison Phelps at (269) 364-6062.

On the lighter side (Bulletin bloopers)

The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been canceled due to a conflict.

Attend and you will hear an excellent speaker and heave a healthy lunch.

Impact Kalamazoo's Polar Bear 5k Fun Run

on Saturday, February 13th. *Our slogan is walk, run, hibernate.* If you would like to run & support Impact Kalamazoo or if you would like to support Impact but you're not crazy enough to run in the snow, then contact Dave Ericks, buy a T-shirt and join in fellowship and cheering on the runners.



Breakout Upcoming Events

Kalamazoo Christian High School International Program is now seeking Host Families for the 2016/2017 school year. Host families act as the international student's family while the student is in the United States. Through interaction with host families, students learn language, customs, and culture more quickly and first-hand. Currently we have five international students at KCHS living with five different KCHS families. We have requests for more students to come to our school, but we can not accept them without having host families in place. The international student pays for their own tuition, they have medical insurance, and their own spending money. Host families are given a monthly stipend to help with room and board. Sue VanHamersveld is the director of the International Program at KCHS and would love to talk with you and answer your questions. Please email svanhamersveld@kcsa.org to start the conversation!