

Heritage Happenings

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

Worship

Summer Sermon Series: The ancient feasts, commanded by God at Mt. Sinai, created an important rhythm to God's people. They provided a tangible way to celebrate the past by remembering what they had experienced, to rejoice in the present and God's provision, and to point them forward to things yet to come. Through the Summer Sermon Series, we will see how the hope of each feast was either fulfilled in Jesus' life, death and resurrection or will be fulfilled in His return.



Indie Artists in Concert!

Heritage Church, 2857 S 11th Street, Kalamazoo
(Just south of Holiday Inn, Stadium Dr. & 11th St.)

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Goodwill Offering Accepted
Coffee bar & dessert during intermission!

Friday, July 22, 7-10 pm

Jim Beezley

*Singer/Songwriter/Worship Leader
Young Adult Pastor, Olivet EFC, Muskegon*

ALIVE!

*Nine Vocalists & A Band from SW Michigan
Rich vocal harmonies influenced by Selah,
Barlow Girl, Phillips, Craig & Dean, etc.*

Friday, Aug. 19, 7-10 pm

Amy Blackledge

*Singer/Songwriter/Worship Leader
Heritage CRC, Kalamazoo*

1000 Generations

*Indie Recording Artists & Worship Leaders
Indianapolis*

*"1000 Generations has helped raise
the bar for worship music at large."*

— Christianity Today

A note from Pastor Simon...

As we make our way into the Summer months, I thought I would pass along a short note on my upcoming schedule. Beginning tomorrow, July 4th, my family and I are taking a two week vacation. While we are away, if a pastoral need should come up please contact one of our shepherding elders.

Following our vacation, I look forward to participating in an intensive week-long preaching seminar at Calvin Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids, MI. Part of my continuing education, this seminar is entitled "Engaging the Text, Preaching the Word." I will commute every day to attend class from 8:45-2:30pm. During the week I will check my e-mail and voicemail daily so if you need to contact me either means will work.

I and my family ask for your prayers as we travel together over the coming weeks. Please also pray for a deep time of rest and renewal.

Pastor Simon and family

Fellowship

Birthdays...

Amy Brown ~ July 1

Josephine Razenberg ~ July 1 – 89 years young!

Vern Luchies ~ July 2 ~ 84 years young!

Anniversaries...

Bill & Joyce Truscott ~ July 2



Membership Transfer: At her request, the membership of Althea Campbell was transferred to Southern Heights CRC. May the Lord bless Althea as she continues to worship and fellowship with the saints at Southern Heights CRC.

Thank You's

Thank you for the beautiful plant, the phone calls, visits and the many cards, prayers, wonderful meals and the visit from Pastor Simon. They tell me now it will be a long recovery time. *Jerry & Ruth Mather*

Sign Up Today! Sign up today at the table in the Narthex to help at the Summer Concert Series. Many hands are needed! Thank you!

Thank You for the cards and prayers during my illness, for the birthday and anniversary cards and for the sympathy cards for our granddaughter's loss of her husband. We would like to thank Pastor Simon for his visit. It was greatly appreciated.

John & Josephine Razenberg

A BIG "thank you" to Dan & Irene VanderBerg and Gary & Dorothy Broekhuizen for adding to our series, Feasts: The Holidays of God, with the decorating of the front of the sanctuary. Climbing ladders, holding ladders, purchasing materials, and arranging the elements until it was "just right". It was fun working together; and may it add to our entering into whatever God wants to say to us this summer.

Thank you Vicki & Aivars Kinens for the beautiful flower display outside of the front of the church. Thank you for sharing your talents with us at Heritage. Thank you also to Nadine VanDam for the use of the bench!

Ministry

Today Booklets for July/August, 2011 have arrived! Please pick up a copy outside the southeast sanctuary door if you so desire a copy.

Brown Bag Lunch for all ladies: at Flesher Field on Wednesday, July 20, 2011 at 11:30 am. Please bring your own lunch and iced tea & coffee will be provided. Please sign up at the table in the Narthex and if you have any questions, please see Joyce Truscott or Betty Vlietstra.



Church Directory Update: We are in the final phase of our directory update; proofing! Please look for the updated directory sheets by the end of July!

Book Club: we will meet again on Monday, July 25 at 2 pm in the library. We will be discussing the book "Lucky Baby" by Meredith Efken (a change from our original selection). See you around the table!

Did you know you can personally bring hope to someone in India? You'll have an opportunity to help us in "Planting Seeds of Hope" at the retreat sponsored by *Bible League International* Volunteers on September 27 & 28, at the Prince Conference Center in Grand Rapids. Sue Thomas, the featured speaker, knows well that the path is filled with obstacles, uncertainties, confusion, defeat and

heartache. She cheers her listeners on with unshakable faith in the knowledge that God makes no mistakes. At our evening concert, the Helmsmen Quartet will minister to us through a variety of musical styles.

The July Prayer Guide from the Christian Reformed Church is available at the Information Center in the Narthex.

Life Line Screening is coming to Heritage again **THIS** Wednesday, July 6, 2011. There are 4 screening packages available. Discount pricing is available through the registration sheet located on file cabinet just inside church office door. Stop by today & pick one up!

Write for the Banner: Do you have a passion for telling stories of how God is at work in the Christian Reformed Church in your area? *The Banner* is seeking a regional news-writer for classes Kalamazoo and Lake Erie. If you love to write, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact Gayla Postma, News Editor, at gpostma@crcna.org. Please include a letter or resume outlining your writing experience, and a sample of your writing, preferably news-style writing.



Loaves & Fishes: Wish list:

July: Canned fruits & vegetables

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



Evangelism & Missions

A Day at the Dairy: The Food Resource Bank "Adopt (or rent)-a-cow" project is in its fifth year! Remember, there are five cows at the Red Arrow Dairy in Hartford, provided by Rudolf & Gena de Jong. Members of Grace CRC, Heritage CRC, Parchment CRC and Third CRC "rent" the cows and the value of the milk they produce is donated to Food Resource Bank and the Christian Reformed World Relief Committee for food security programs in Bamba Ganze, Africa.

Save the date for a day at the dairy on **Saturday, July 30 at 2:00 pm**. The dairy will feature a service of celebration, tours, and delicious milk, cheese, and ice-cream sundaes. It will be a wonderful day to praise God for all His bountiful gifts.

Letters to Missionaries

Dave & Carol Bonselaar ~ Joseph Mutebi
Paul & Marge Booden ~ Wayne DeYoung

Envelopes are on the Missionary table outside the south door of the sanctuary for your use.

THE LATEST NEWSLETTER FROM FRANK & ARIA SAWYER HAS ARRIVED!

Offerings and Tithes

PM	<i>Offering is always for the General Fund</i>	
July 3:	General Fund	Christian Education
	Loose Change	Benevolence Fund
July 10:	General Fund	Ministry Shares
	Loose Change	CRWRC
July 17:	General Fund	Faith Promise
	Loose Change	Bethany Christian Serv
July 24:	General Fund	Debt Reduction
	Loose Change	K-zoo Gospel Mission

Requested Announcements

200th Episode Anniversary Show: Crossroad Connection celebrates its 200th episode with a look back at the most thought-provoking interviews from the heavy hitters in the restorative justice field. Go to www.cbi.fm to listen to **Crossroad Connection** ~ a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.

Right with God? The Bible tells us that in Christ we are accepted and made right with God, but how does that work? Can we ever be sure that we are truly saved? Join the Groundwork July 10 conversation on Galatians 2:15-21 to find answers to these challenging questions. Find a local radio station or listen online at www.GroundworkOnline.com.

Lonesome Chuckwalla: Have you ever seen a real hero? Come meet a flying ace on this week's Kids Corner. Then write to Kids Corner at Box 506, Worth Il 60482 or email kids@kidscorner.net for your very own Bible study.

The Christian Reformed Conference Grounds will be having a **Fourth of July Hymn sing** on Monday, July 4 at 7 pm. Please join us as we celebrate our independence as one nation, under God. Dinner will be available from 5-6:30 pm. Also, **Ken Medema & Amy Vreeman** will be in concert at the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds on Saturday, July 9 at 7 pm. Using his gift of improvisation, Ken hears with his heart stories from people and sings the stories

back to audiences. Amy has been musically blessed and desires to share her love of the Lord with everyone. Please join us for this very special concert. Dinner will be available from 5-6:30 pm. If you have questions, please call 616-842-4478.

The Kalamazoo Deacons Conference is in need of additional volunteers to staff their resale shop, Simple Treasures. Enjoy interaction with people and help earn sustainable funding for this vital ministry to people in our community who are living in poverty. Stop in to Simple Treasures, 3721 S. Westnedge or contact Terri at Terri@deaconsconference.org or (269) 344-7333.

The GEMS Girls' Clubs Annual Counselors' Leadership Conference will take place this weekend in Fort Collins, Colorado on the campus of Colorado State University! We invite you to join us in prayer for this event, for the safety of those attending, and for all involved in the Conference. Over 480 women will attend and will learn about the new theme **Get Wisdom: Go Beyond the Gold!** Ray Vander Laan and Lisa Harper will be our keynote speakers. Please pray for them and each of the workshop speakers who will challenge attendees. We pray that God's Spirit will be present and moving in the hearts of the women that attend and that they will be equipped and prepared for another GEMS season.

The Salvation Army had a very successful year in 2010. With help from the community, 3,877 or our 4,433 children received an item of clothing. You, your family, friends and colleagues can make a difference. Donate homemade or store-bought hats, scarves, and mittens. Why? To provide warmth for boys and girls 0-16 years old. Items can be delivered anytime before the 2nd week of December to the Salvation Army Toy Shop at 1700 S. Burdick in Kalamazoo. Any direct questions and concerns can be directed to Sue Nelmes, volunteer at snelmes@charter.net or 344-7294.

Mark your calendars...the African Children's Choir is coming to Martin, Michigan! Please join us at Martin Reformed Church (just east of US131 at the Martin exit) on Friday evening, July 15 at 7 pm for a concert by the **African Children's Choir**. Seating is limited so come early to help them celebrate 25 years of hope!



NURSERY July 3: Pam Gould & Ruth Wagner

July 10: Carol Schewe & Teri Wagner

COFFEE SERVERS :

July 3: Dave & Kathy VanderMeer, Phil & Barb Nieboer, Donna Penning, Bonnie Colvin

July 10 & 17: Ken & Ellen Byle, Jack & Evelyn Wenke, Jerry & Trudy Oele

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

July 3: Harold Triezenberg & Phyllis Triezenberg

July 10: Herm Vanders & Mike Baljeu

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

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY ~ July:

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY ~ jloele@juno.com




SERVICE MINISTRY ~ July: Joy Hegelmann

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY ~July 3: Lisa Shannon
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

July 10: Pat Schewe



Calendar of Events...

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
3 9:30 am Pastor Simon "The Holidays of God: Unleavened Bread" Leviticus 23:6-8 5 pm Pastor Simon "Justice & Generosity" Lord's Day 42	4 	5 Deacons Meeting 7 pm	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <i>Pastor Simon on vacation until July 18</i> </div>				
10 9:30 am Rev. Ronald Redder 5 pm Rev. Harry Arnold	11	12 Administrative Board Meeting 7 pm	13	14	15	16	
17 9:30 am Pastor Mark Poppen "Persistent Prayer" Mark 18: 1-8 5 pm Mr. Curt DeVries	18 <i>Pastor Simon @ Calvin Seminary for a continuing education class July 18-22</i>	19	20 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	21	22 Jim Beezley & Alive Concert 7 pm 	23	
24 9:30 am Pastor Simon "The Holidays of God: Firstfruits" Leviticus 23:9-14 5 pm Mr. Joey DeKoekkoek	25 Book Club 2-4 pm	26 Council 7 pm	27	28	29	30 Afternoon at the dairy in Hartford, MI at 2 pm! 	

**Newsletter
DEADLINE**

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.

Summer Office Hours Tuesday – Wednesday: 8-1 pm & Thursday 8-11 am