

Heritage CRC

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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: May 22: McKena Razenberg & Teri Wagner
May 29: Carol Schewe & Kim Bruinwood

COFFEE SERVERS: May 22: Harold & Phyllis Triezenberg, Teri Wagner, Norm & Bonne Langeland
May 29/June 5: Glen & Ruth Wagner, Donna Penning, Dick & Nadine Van-Dam

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

May 22: Gary Broekhuizen & Judy Wieringa
May 29: Jim Triezenberg & Phyllis Triezenberg

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: May: Judy Wieringa

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: May 22: Zach Razenberg May 29: Ferrel Stremmer
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
22 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Hope is Not Wishful Thinking" 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 5 pm Pastor Simon "The Sanctification of Sinners" Titus 2	23	24 Council Meeting 7 pm	25 Book Club 2 pm	26	27	28 Food Giveaway at Prairie Ridge 8 am set up 9 am Food drop
29 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Children of the Day" 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 No Evening Worship BREAKOUT: 6:30—8:30 PM	30	31	1 <i>June</i>	2	3	4
5 COMMUNION 9:30 am Pastor Simon "A Healthy Church" 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28 5 pm Pastor Simon "Christ: The Fulfillment of the Law" Matthew 5:17-20	6	7	8	9	10	11 Breakout Breakfast Fundraiser 8-10 am
12 9:30 am Rev. Henry DeVries 5 pm Pastor Ron Lugten	13	14 Kalamazoo Classis Prayer Meeting 7 am Administrative Board Meeting 7 pm	15 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	16	17	18

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HAPPENINGS

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2016 Graduating Seniors...

Cassidy Bruinwood is a homeschool graduate and is undecided at this point of what God wants her to do next year. This summer Cassidy has travel plans with family and is going to Colorado with Grace CRC youth group.

Kelsey Bruinwood is a homeschool graduate who plan to attend Calvin College in the fall to study business. Kelsey also has travel plans with family and is going to Colorado with Grace CRC youth group.

LillieAnn Durian is graduating from Gull Lake High School and is planning to attend KVCC this fall to more than likely study elementary education, but is still undecided. LillieAnn also plans to be a part of Impact Kalamazoo this summer.

Hannah Mejeur is graduating from Heritage Christian Academy and plans to attend Western Michigan University working towards her Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN). Hannah plans to take a nursing program at the beginning of the summer so she will be able to work as a CAN throughout college. Hannah feels the Lord guiding her into the trauma field of nursing. She is hoping to work in Bronson's Trauma Care Unit as she has already intern there this past semester. Hannah has travel plans this summer with family.



McKena Razenberg is graduating from Kalamazoo Christian High School and plans to attend Cornerstone University this fall where she will explore the fields of Kinesiology or Physical/Occupational Therapy. She also plans to continue her softball career at Cornerstone. McKena plans to go to Colorado with Grace CRC youth group and traveling to Kenya, Africa with Kalamazoo Christian School teachers & students to be part of a two week mission experience.

Celebrations

Birthdays

Lydia Oele ~ May 24
Breslyn Scheel ~ May 24
Hailey Scheel ~ May 24
Dave Bonselaar ~ May 25



Anniversaries

John & Kim Bruinwood ~ May 24
Jerry & Trudy Oele ~ May 27

The congregation is invited to McKena Razenberg's open house on Saturday, May 28 from 3-6 pm right here in the Fellowship Hall. Come celebrate with McKena!

Ministry

Summer is coming! The BLESS Group is asking for prayers as we plan for another season of Sunday afternoon story time.

Breakout Fundraiser Breakfast will take place on Saturday, June 11 from 8-10 am in our Fellowship Hall. Please support the Youth Group while enjoying delicious pancakes, sausage, fruit, juice and coffee.

Building Hope Campaign for the Gospel Mission: There is a new campaign launched to try and raise awareness and funds to support a new women and children's shelter being built for the Gospel Mission. Please go to www.kzoobuildinghope.org for more information. Let's all pitch in to help show Christ's love to these women and children in need.



**KALAMAZOO
GOSPEL
MISSION**

Council News...

Today we will install our new office bearers:
 Jerry Oele as Vice President & Clerk
 Bill Vroegop as Shepherding Elder
 Ferrel Stremmer as Shepherding Elder
 Emma Schering as Shepherding Deacon
 Zach Razenberg as Shepherding Deacon

We say "thank you" to those retiring from office; Bill Cobern, Ken Fletcher, Rick Lingbeek, Nick Nieboer and Irene VanderBerg. Thank you for your leadership at Heritage CRC the past three years.

Campus Ministry Update:

We have had a wonderful year in campus ministry. The number of students who attend the lunch is only slightly bigger (150-175 weekly) but the relational growth among students has grown much deeper and more authentic. Last week as we evaluated the semester and year, we could name over 25 students with whom we have developed a quality relationship this year. Conversations with students have grown and students have increasingly shared their real feelings and thoughts. This openness allows us to understand real thoughts and needs providing the avenue to more authentic faith discussions. So many students expressed the desire to remain in contact during the summer that we have decided to provide a different place, format and different day of the week to meet for lunch. We will experiment with a number of things and provide some study options. This year we have been able to develop friendships with many of the Fulbright scholars at WMU. Over half of them come regularly to the International lunch, including almost all of the officers in their Registered Student Organization. As staff, we have been sitting in and participating in some studies that others lead to present basic Christianity. In each study there are International students and visiting scholars. We are looking for some of these students to profess faith in Jesus Christ.

This is a very snapshot of the International ministry this year. Our evaluation is that it was outstanding year of ministry. God is at work.

Ron De Young

Our Adopt-a-Cow project needs your help!

There are still 6 months open! You can sign up at the display in the Narthex for a week (\$40.00) or a month (\$160.00) or somewhere in between!

Missions & Missionaries...

Faith Promise: If you've not had opportunity to make your commitment for 2016-17, there's still time. The current total commitment is \$15,530.00, for which we give thanks to God. (Extra commitment slips can be found at the Information Center.)

Loaves & Fishes wish list:

May: Low or no salt canned vegetables
Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall

Emails or Letters to Missionaries...

Ed & Karan Finch ~ David Heath
 Nick & Stephanie Finch ~ Joseph Mutebi
 Bruce & Ruth Fletcher ~ Jairo Solano

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

May 22	General Fund: Building Fund Loose Change: Benevolence Fund
May 29	General Fund: Loose Change: Kzoo Deacons Conf
June 5	General Fund: Christian Education Loose Change: Jesus Loves Kzoo
June 12	General Fund: Ministry Shares Loose Change: Luke Society

Offerings (for May 15)

Building Fund ~ \$135.00
 Christian Education Assistance ~ \$110.00
 Elim Christian Services ~ \$143.00
 Faith Promise ~ \$570.00
 General Fund ~ \$5,641.00
 Initial Offering ~ \$5.00
 Memorial Fund ~ \$215.00
 Ministry Shares ~ \$160.00



Book club
 meets again on
 Wednesday, May 25 at
 2 pm to discuss the book
 "Flight Behavior" by
 Barbara Kingsolver.
 See you there!

Food Drop at Prairie Ridge Elementary is this Saturday, May 28. Set up begins at 8 am and the food drop happens at 9 am. See you there!

Requested Announcements

Detroit Tiger Game—June 23, 2016: The Kalamazoo Christian High School Alumni Association will be sponsoring their 15th annual trip to Comerica Park to see the Detroit Tigers in action against the Seattle Mariners on June 23, 2016. The game will take place in the afternoon at 1:08 pm. Charter buses will leave Kalamazoo Christian High School parking lot at 8:30 am. Tickets are \$70. Please call Connie VanDerSlik at 269-381-2044 or email at cvanderslik@kcsa.org to reserve your ticket. Don't delay! Put your reservations in today!

Kalamazoo Christian Schools Spring Recycle Drive 2016... This year's Metal Recycle Drive will be held on June 2-4 in the High School parking lot. All proceeds will benefit the Kalamazoo Christian School's debt reduction effort. Now is a great spring clean up time. Clean out and safely get rid of all those metal recyclables: clothes hangers, clean tin cans, Christmas tree lights, electrical cords, appliances, scrap metal, metal tools, equipment, metal bed frames and even engines. Please no TV's and computer monitors. We also accept laptops, computer towers, keyboards, plasmas and LCD's, printers, copiers, fax machines and all business/office electronics, medical equipment with NO biohazards, cell phones & telecom equipment, DVD players & stereo equipment, network equipment & servers.

Check with school office at 381-2044 with questions. Drop off hours with onsite unloading assistance:

Thursday June 2: 7 to 10 am and 4 to 7 pm
 Friday June 3: 7 to 10 am and 4 to 7 pm
 Saturday June 4: 7 am to noon

Park Village Pines, a Christian assisted living senior care community, invites you to their campus at 2920 Crystal Lane in Kalamazoo on Saturday, June 4 from 8 am to 12 pm for their annual Flower Sale. Enjoy great prices on all types of flowers and free coffee and donuts! All proceeds will help provide our residents with the highest quality Christian senior care and facilities.

Job Opening - Comstock Christian Reformed Church is searching for someone to fill a part-time custodial position. Hours are fairly flexible. If interested, please contact the office atoffice@comstockcrc.org or 342-2646. A job description is available upon request.

CRCNA Synod 2016 will be meeting from June 10-17 on the campus of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan (see <https://www.crcna.org/synod> for live webcast information). Synod will be dealing with many items. Highlighted below are three committee reports for your attention, study and reflection.

- Committee to Provide Pastoral Guidance re Same-sex Marriage (majority and minority) (2016): www.crcna.org/sites/default/files/same-sex_marriage.pdf
- Committee to Study Religious Persecution and Liberty (2016): www.crcna.org/sites/default/files/religious_persecution.pdf
- Doctrine of Discovery Task Force (2016): https://www.crcna.org/sites/default/files/doctrine_of_discovery.pdf

The Agenda for Synod can be found at https://www.crcna.org/sites/default/files/2016_agenda.pdf. The agenda and reports are important especially for local issues that these reports may have bearing on. Councils are encouraged to take some time at their May meetings to reflect, discuss and pray that the Holy Spirit may lead the delegates in their deliberations, and that a common bond in our Lord and Savior may come forth from Synod that will lead our denomination.

Please remember the delegates in your prayers. Classis Kalamazoo will be represented by: Minister Delegate: Ken Baker, Third CRC; Minister Delegate: Simon Tuin, Heritage CRC; Deacon Delegate: John Terpstra, Comstock CRC; Elder Delegate: Roger Klok, Grace CRC.

Jesus Loves Kalamazoo! The JLK Catalyst week is planned for July 9-16, 2016! JLK started in 2008 and has grown to become a movement that unites the Body of Christ in Kalamazoo to share the love of Jesus to our community. This will be our 3rd year participating in JLK but this year we are not serving as the host coordinators for a site. Instead, we are encouraging our members to sign up to volunteer and serve at a designated Prayer & Grill Sites. Go to <http://jesusloveskzoo.org/> to fill out a volunteer registration form. They are also accepting donations to support this ministry effort. This can also be done online or check out the printed list available in the lobby. Please join us in praying for this opportunity and consider where God might be calling you to get involved.