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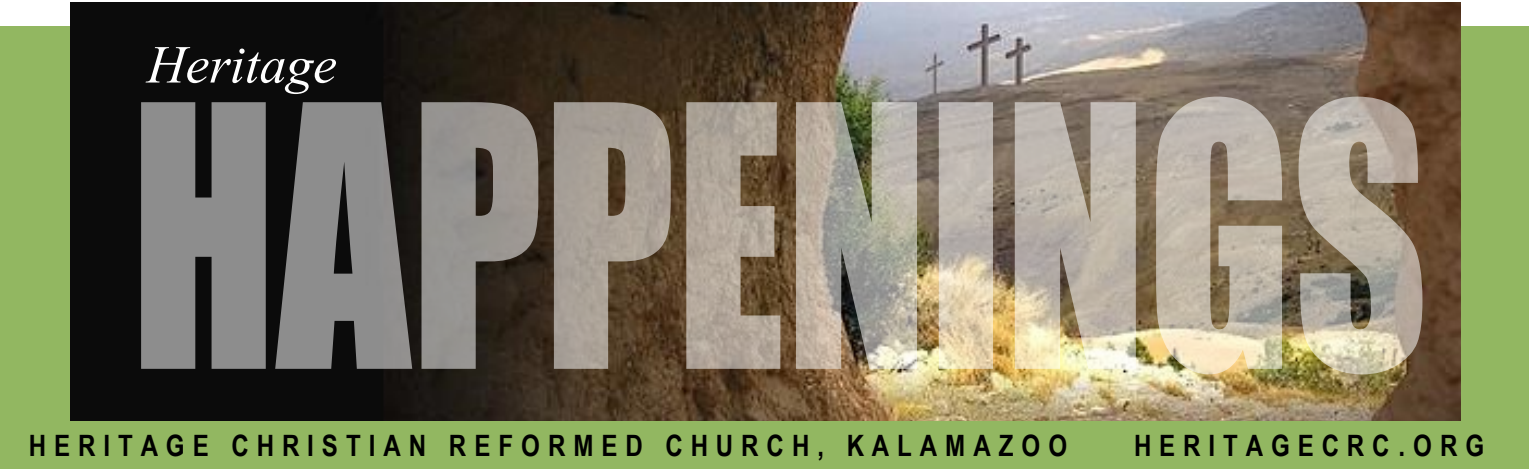
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
Thursday by 9:00 am. Call,
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OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday: 8:00 am —1:00 pm
Thursday: 8:00 am —12:00 pm

Connecting with our Community
Please continue to reach out via phone or e-mail to our church community.



Find us on Facebook @ Heritage Christian Reformed Church.
Look up our website at www.heritagecrc.org for past sermons and our weekly newsletter and more!



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What's up in Worship

Sermon Series - 1 John

One of the great biblical description's of a person who belongs to God is that of a child of God. But how can we tell a genuine child of God from someone who is just playing the part? Together we will look at how God's Word shows us what it means to be and live as a child of God through Christ. This week's sermon title - "To Know Him Who Is True" 1 John 5:13-21.



Celebrations. . .

Birthdays...
Chad Scheel ~ November 21
Gary Broekhuizen ~ November 23
Norbert Hegelmann ~ November 25
Jerry Mather ~ November 26
Glen Wagner ~ November 27



A 'whole hearted' thank you to all of you for your expressions of caring during Rick's recent heart surgery. Your calls, cards and most of all prayers meant so much. Prayers answered and Rick is recovering well and we look forward to now being able to join you in worship again. Gratefully, Rick & Joy Knurr

Thanksgiving Offering:

Every year, Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes is the designated ministry for the Thanksgiving offering. This year's offering will take place on Sunday, November 21. Along with our financial support, you are invited to bring food items for the Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes pantry located at Voyage Church. Special request items this year are for breakfast items: kid's cereal, pop tarts, granola bars, jelly/jams, pancake mix & syrup. They will also accept all-in-one meals: hamburger helper and high protein soup & stews, low sodium veggies, and low sugar fruit. During the offering moment in the service on November 21, everyone will be invited to place their donations on the steps in the front of the sanctuary.



The November book club discussion is changed to Tuesday, November 30 at 10 am. We will be meeting on the fourth Tuesday at 10 am after the new year., This month's book is "Send Down the Rain" by Charles Martin. It is about the change in relationships after returning from Vietnam. See Dorothy Broekhuizen for a book.

Decorating Opportunities

Transforming the sanctuary for Advent. Come and help decorate the church for the Advent season. Come on Friday, November 26 at 12:00 pm with a follow up time on Saturday at 10:00 am. See Jane Pangle for more information.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				18 9:30 am GROW Group	19	20 8 am Mobile Food Initiative
21 9:30 am Pastor Simon "To Know Him Who Is True" 1 John 5:13-21	22	23 9:30 am Coffee Break 7 pm Council	24 6:30 pm Combined Thanksgiving Service @ Third CRC	25 	26	27
28 9:30 am Pastor Simon "A Little Child Shall Lead Them" Isaiah 11:1-9	29	30 10 am Book Club	1 8 am Men's Bible Study 	2 9:30 am GROW Group	3	4
5 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Comfort, Comfort, My People" Isaiah 40:1-11	6	7 9:30 am Coffee Break	8	9 9:30 am GROW Group	10	11

Council News

Thanksgiving Day: Next week we will have the opportunity to gather and give thanks for God’s blessings. The Council recently accepted an invitation to join several CRC churches this year for an evening of Thanksgiving worship on Wednesday, November 24 at 6:30 pm at Third CRC. This will take the place of our regular Thanksgiving Day service.

New Members: Please join us in welcoming Bruce and Laura Goethe as members to Heritage CRC. We give thanks to God for calling them to a part of this congregation and trust the Holy Spirit will continue to build us up in Jesus’ name as the body of Christ. A page for the directory will be coming soon!

Annual Congregational Meeting: The annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 12, 2021 following the morning Worship Service to vote on a budget for 2022. A copy of the proposed budget was sent out via e-mail and extra copies are available at the Information Center. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Razenberg, council president, Donn Carlisle, council VP/clerk or Emma Schering, Administrative Deacon.

Notes from last Council Meeting

- Our annual Christmas Service will take place on Friday, Dec. 24th at 6:30pm
- The congregational meeting will be held Sunday Dec. 12th, shortly after the end of the worship service. Topics to be discussed will be:
 - *Discussion of FY 2022 budget followed by a voice vote (Copies of the budget proposal will be available electronically with limited printed copies available)
 - *Discussion regarding the evening service followed by a voice vote
 - *Pastor Simons sabbatical for the summer of 2022 was approved by the council
 - *Irene VanderBerg and Judy Fletcher have volunteered as Pastoral Care Ministry Assistant (PCMA). Thank you to Judy and Irene from the council.

Offering Schedule

- Nov. 21: General Fund & Faith Promise
Loose Change: Kal. Loaves & Fishes
- Nov. 28: General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance
Loose Change: International Campus Ministry
- Dec. 5: General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance
Loose Change: Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan
- Dec. 12 General Fund & Ministry Shares
Loose Change: Benevolence Fund

Offerings (deposited for November 14, 2021)

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$20.00
- Christian Ed. Assist ~ \$25.00
- General Fund ~ \$3,405.00
- Growing Hope Globally ~ \$40.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$170.00
- Misc. Income ~ \$1.72
- Wycliffe Bible Translators ~ \$227.00

FROM THE DEACONS: Our Christmas project for this year is a collection of much needed items for the new Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries Women's and Children's Shelter which will open soon. A list has been put in your mailbox and can also be found on the round table in the narthex. There will be a box in the fellowship hall for you to place the items. If you prefer to give cash, please place your donation in the offering basket clearly marked KGM Women's Shelter. Thank you in advance for your generosity! The Heritage Deacons



OFFICE hours

Office Hours: Next week with Thanksgiving on Thursday, Lisa will be working in the office Monday afternoon and Wednesday morning. Please have all newsletter requests into the office Wednesday by 8:00 am. Thank you.



World Renew’s Gift Catalog is available on the round table in the lobby. On **November 30**, Giving Tuesday will create opportunity for massive change in our world as compassionate donors like you choose to bring hope to others. Churches around North America are partnering with World Renew to raise funds or match gifts for critical gift catalog items and you can join in their efforts! With your gift, **World Renew can equip the world’s families and communities to journey out of hunger, poverty and illness.**

Video Recording

A video recording of the morning worship service will be posted to our church YouTube page either on Sunday or Monday. Here is the link to our YouTube page: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCutET663hVzpPohBMiCXEQA>. If you haven't already done so, be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel and click the notification bell to receive updates whenever a new video becomes available.



Mobile Food Initiative is Saturday, November 20.

8 AM at Centerpoint Church.



See you there!

Family Faith Formation Tip

Read 1 John 3:16-18 and ponder or discuss the following question.

How might you remind yourself daily of God’s generous love for you?

crcna.org/faithpracticesproject

Volunteer Schedule...

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY:
Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY:
prayerline@heritagecrc.org

Service Ministry:
Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:
Nov. 21 - Gary Broekhuizen
Nov. 28 - Paul Booden
Dec. 5 - Lisa Durian

Coffee Servers:
Nov. 14 & 21 Bill & Kathy Cobern
Bob & Jane Pangle

Nov. 28 & Dec. 5 Cameron & Helen Brown
Sue Mejeur