

# Heritage Happenings

Heritage Christian Reformed Church • 2857 S 11<sup>th</sup> Street • Kalamazoo MI 49009

## Worship

**Christmas Choir** rehearsals begin this Wednesday, October 12 from 6:30-7:30. Our other two practices will be held on Wednesday, November 9 from 6:30-7:30 pm and Sunday, December 11 from 8-9 am.



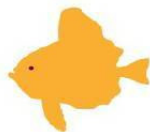
This morning, **Stephan Lutz** will give us an update on the work of CRWRC and following worship a presentation on the Foods Resource Bank project along with a time of Q&A. He (with his wife & two children) has been living & working in Kenya for the last ten years as a CRWRC Program Consultant.

On October 23, **Chuck & Barb Micheals**, Wycliffe promoters and one of our sponsored missionaries will be with us to give a brief update in the service and following worship will have a mission's presentation during the Sunday School hour.

**Out-of-the-Office:** Pastor Simon and Heather will be out of town this Wednesday-Friday to attend a 2-day pastor couple continuing education event sponsored by Sustaining Pastoral Excellence (SPE) and hosted by the Office of Pastor-Church Relations of the Christian Reformed Church. If a pastoral need should develop, please contact your shepherding elder.

**Next Sunday** we welcome Andy Hanson, a seminarian student from Calvin Seminary, who will lead us in worship.

**Peter Fish are on their way!** The Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC) welcomes you to participate in the 2011 World Hunger Campaign. For nearly 5 decades, CRWRC has encouraged Christian Reformed Churches to help alleviate global hunger. This year's theme is "A Feast Fit for a King". As you participate in this year's World Hunger campaign, you will be challenged to think creatively about alleviating hunger. The campaign kicks off next Sunday, October 16.



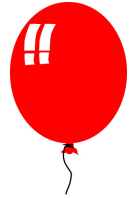
## Fellowship

### Birthdays...

Florence Kowar ~ October 9

### Anniversaries...

Rich & Sara VanMaaren ~ October 12 - 60 years together!!!



**The beautiful flowers** in the sanctuary are provided by the children of Rich & Sara VanMaaren's in honor of their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary this Wednesday. Congratulations Rich & Sara!

## Thank you

**A huge thank you** goes out to the planning committee, to those who donated items & those who volunteered at the carnival yesterday. What a great team effort!

**Thank you** to our Heritage family for all the cards & expressions of sympathy in the home-going of our brother, Sid.  
*Bernie & Judy Zwart*

## Ministry



**Ladies Fellowship:** we will once again meet around the table this Wednesday, October 12 from 9:45 – 11 am. Our Bible study will be based on Acts 20, Lesson 10. See you there!

**Sunday School Parents & Children:** Please send your children directly to their Sunday school classes following a brief time of refreshments in the fellowship hall after the morning service. We will resume singing in front of the sanctuary on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Parents please note that class time ends at approximately 11:35-11:45 am.

**Sunday School** is underway and we are still in need of a few teachers for the upcoming season in the following classes:

4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders: Mar & Apr, 2012

7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders: Mar & Apr, 2012

Please see the sign up sheets in the narthex or if you have questions regarding the new and exciting curriculum, **DWELL**, please contact Barb Razenberg at 345-6047.

**International Student Luncheon at WMU:** we will host lunch on Thursday, October 27. Can you provide a casserole? How about a salad? Short on time; donate some fruit or drinks! Please sign up today at the table in the Narthex to help provide lunch for these students. Thank you. Disposable pans are available on table for your use as well!



**October is Pastor Appreciation Month!**

Take a moment in the next 3 weeks or so to jot a note, drop off some cookies, arrange a lunch date, or simply pick up the phone to show how much you appreciate Pastor Simon. Thank you!

**From the Council**

**From the Meeting of October 4, 2011:**

- Council approved the installation of a confidence system in the sanctuary. This addition to our projection system will allow projection on the back wall for pastors, praise team, missionaries & other guest speakers. Additional wiring and computer work will cost \$2,500. Money will be taken from the sale of property funds.
- Council approved the concept of a youth ministries director. Job description, finances, and rationale will be prepared by the Admin Board for Council and Congregational approval.
- The financial report through September was presented and discussed. One item to note is high maintenance expenses. Much higher snow plowing costs last winter and tree removal due to the winter storm account for most of this extra expense. Another item of note is a collection shortfall of \$19,000 under the approved budget. Copies of the financial report are in mailboxes.
- The Thanksgiving project will be special offering for the Kalamazoo Gospel Mission. The Christmas project will be food baskets.

- Mike Baljeu submitted his resignation as Vice President/Clerk of Council due to his family's decision to worship at Calvary Bible Church. After responses of several Council members to this decision, a prayer was offered for both the Baljeu family and Heritage Church. Council will seek a replacement to fill out the remaining term.

**Evangelism & Missions**

**Loaves & Fishes:** *Wish list:*

**October:** *Hearty soups & stews (with 7 grams of protein or more)*

**November:** *Canned Meat*

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



**Emails or Letters to Missionaries**

- Barb VanDalen ~ DeYoung
- Dick & Nadine VanDam ~ Lin
- Ken & Dorothy Vandenberg ~ Mutebi
- Dan & Irene VanderBerg ~ Spalink

Check out the latest newsletter from **Larry & Ruth Spalink** at the missionary table!

*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 outside the south door of the sanctuary.*

**Offerings and Tithes**

PM	<i>Offering is always for the General Fund</i>	
Oct 9:	General Fund	Ministry Shares
	Loose Change	K-zoo Deacon Conf
Oct 16:	General Fund	Faith Promise
	Loose Change	Vineyard Outreach
Oct 23:	General Fund	Debt Reduction
	Loose Change	CRWRC Home Msns
Oct 30:	General Fund	
	Loose Change	K-zoo Loaves & Fishes

**Requested Announcements**

**Letters from Prison:** CBI students who are enrolled in college-level Bible courses explain what it means to have a Christian worldview. Go to [www.cbi.fm](http://www.cbi.fm) to listen to **Crossroad Connection** ~ a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.

**When God Seems to have Deserted You:** You stand in the pews clapping hands, singing lively worship songs – but in your heart you're sad or angry because of the news you got last night. How do we pray or worship when emotions on the outside don't

match our emotions on the inside? Join the October 16<sup>th</sup> **Groundwork** conversation based on Psalm 22. Find a local radio station or listen online at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com).

**Lake Moss Monster:** Liz is fishing for the truth about a monster in the lake. See what you can catch with Liz on this week's **Kids Corner**. Write to Kids Corner at Box 506, Worth IL 60482 or your very own Bible study. Check out Kids Corner at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net).

**Husbands & Wives:** Remember these words? "I promise to be true to you in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health. I will love you and honor you all the days of my life." A worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend shows a way to live those vows the way we hope & dreamed we would. For more information or to register for the upcoming weekend at Geneva Shores Adult Retreat Center, Holland, MI, contact registration couple Jim & Kathy Molenkamp at 616-538-2749 or at register online @ [www.reformedme.org](http://www.reformedme.org). Register before October 21 to be assured a spot. There is no sharing in a group on the weekend.

**Alternatives...** Please join us October 13, 2011 at the Air Zoo for a fabulous dinner featuring our guest speaker Mike Long. The doors open at 6 pm and dinner is at 7 pm. Catch up on the many blessings that our ministry has been given this year as well as gathering with friends and enjoying each other in His name.

**Family Fall Harvest Festival** at the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds, October 12-16. Camp sites are available for this great family weekend for only \$30.00 per night. Hayrides, pumpkin carving, scavenger hunt, and many other activities for the whole family! Call 616-842-4478 for a reservation or see [www.crcg.org](http://www.crcg.org) for more information.

**Milwood CRC** in Kalamazoo, Michigan is seeking a Worship Director to assist in blended worship preparation. This is a salaried position that could require twenty plus hours per week. The position works closely with the Pastor. It requires instrumental gifts including piano, take the lead in service preparation, and prepares the praise team to lead worship services. For more information, please contact the church office at [Milwoodcrc.org](http://Milwoodcrc.org) or submit a letter of interest along with a resume to the clerk of Council at 3306 Lovers Lane, Kalamazoo, MI 49001.

**The Wedgewood Guilds** will be having their Fall Super Sale on Friday, October 28 from 9 am – 5 pm and Saturday, October 29 from 9 am – noon. The sale will be held at Wedgewood in the Velting Activities Center. If you have any items you (or your family and friends) would like to donate, we will gladly accept them through Thursday, October 27 until noon. All proceeds from the sale will help Wedgewood continue to offer hope and healing to youth & families. To coordinate a donation drop-off time, please contact Allison at 616-831-5621.

**"Kalamazoo Christian Chicago Bus Trip"** Please join us in raising money for the Kalamazoo Christian Middle School. Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> we will travel round trip from Kalamazoo to Downtown Chicago by charter bus. 54 seats available on the 1<sup>st</sup> bus for \$38.00/each. A 2<sup>nd</sup> bus will be \$40.00/each and will be reserved if we can meet the minimum number. Please contact Gina de Jong at 269-779-4667 or [ginadj11@gmail.com](mailto:ginadj11@gmail.com) to reserve your spot or with questions.



**Kalamazoo Christian Middle School** has an immediate opening for a long-term substitute teacher in the area of choral music. This is a part-time position (Monday-Friday afternoons). For an application or more information, contact Connie VanDerSlik at 269-381-2044 or email an inquiry & resume to [cvanderslik@kcsa.org](mailto:cvanderslik@kcsa.org).

**The Kalamazoo Deacons Conference** will hold a Treasure Sale on Friday, October 14 from 8 am – 5 pm and Saturday, October 15 from 8 am – 2 pm at Second CRC, 3015 Nichols Road.

**Come to be inspired by Joe Stowell**, President of Cornerstone University, and to learn about the ministry of the Kalamazoo Deacons Conference on Tuesday, October 11, 2011. Tickets are still available – contact [joni@deaconsconference.org](mailto:joni@deaconsconference.org) or by phone at 344-7333 ext 13.



**NURSERY Oct 9:** Teri Wagner & Kim Bruinwood

**Oct 16:** Dorothy Broekhuizen & Ruth Wagner

**COFFEE SERVERS : Oct 9:** Fred & Pam Gould, Greg & Sue Mejeur, Grover & Eileen Brussee

**Oct 16 & 23:** Nick & Ann Nieboer, John & Kim Bruinwood, Florence Kowar

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

**Oct 9:** Nick Nieboer & Mike Baljeu

**Oct 16:** Dave Bickle

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

**PRAYER LINE MINISTRY ~ October:** Glen Wagner

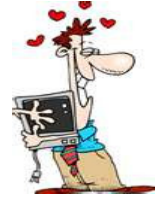
**PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY ~** [jloele@juno.com](mailto:jloele@juno.com)

**SERVICE MINISTRY ~ October:** Gretchen Vanders

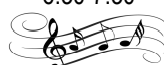



**MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY ~Oct 9:** Pat Schewe

**Oct 16:** Paul Booden

**PM:** Gary Broekhuizen



## Calendar of Events...

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>9</b> 9:30 am Pastor Simon Series: Available <b>"Paul: This Man is My Chosen Instrument..."</b> Acts 9:1-19 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Pastor Simon <b>"Praylessness is Unbelief"</b> Lord's Day 50	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am	<b>12</b> Ladies Fellowship Bible Study 9:45-11 am  Christmas Choir Practice 6:30-7:30 	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 9:30 am Seminarian Student, Andy Hanson 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Seminarian Student, Andy Hanson	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am	<b>19</b> P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	<b>20</b> G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am  Admin Board Meeting – 7 pm	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> 9:30 am Pastor Simon Series: Amazing Grace: The Jonah Edition <b>"The Story's Beginning: God Calls"</b> Jonah 1:1-4 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Pastor Simon <b>"Getting It and Giving It Away"</b> Lord's Day 51	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am  Book Club 2-4 pm  Elders Meeting 3 pm	<b>26</b> Ladies Fellowship 9:45 – 11 am	<b>27</b> G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am  <i>International Student Luncheon at WMU</i>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> 9:30 AM Pastor Simon Series: Amazing Grace: The Jonah Edition <b>"In a Great Fish"</b> Jonah 1:4-17 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Pastor Simon <b>"This Is Sure To Be!"</b> Lord's Day 52	 REFORMATION DAY	<b>1</b> Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am Deacon's Meeting 7 pm 	<b>2</b> Praise Team Practice 6:30 – 8:00 pm	<b>3</b> G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Be sure to set your clocks back!</b> 

Newsletter articles need to be submitted by Wednesday at noon.

Call, leave a note, or e-mail your announcement to [churchoffice@heritagecrc.org](mailto: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**