

Heritage Happenings

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

Worship

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES: When it comes to being a follower of Jesus Christ the words “casual” and “Christian” are not meant to be found together. On Sunday, September 18, Pastor Simon will begin a series called “AVAILABLE.” Join us as we hear from the Bible of those who were called to a life of full surrender and discover how Jesus calls us to nothing less than the same.

Fellowship

Birthdays...

Ryan Gould ~ September 7

Anniversaries...

David & Bonnie Colvin ~ September 4



Thank You's

Thank you to Joyce Truscott & Betty Vlietstra for your extra help this week in putting together the updated directory sheets.

Ministry



Small Groups are an important part of our mission at Heritage Church. Our desire is to draw people into a closer relationship with Christ and meaningful fellowship with other believers. If you are looking for a way to connect with other Christians in a small group setting, consider joining one of these groups. Interested in launching a new small group? Please talk to Pastor Simon.

G.R.O.W. Bible Study for Women: Is the gratitude that flows out of your life as abundant as the grace that flows into your life? Nancy Leigh DeMoss helps

us wrestle with this questions personally through her book *Choosing Gratitude: Your Journey to Joy*. Come join the G.R.O.W. Group this fall as we discover how choosing true gratitude in life, even with all it bumps and bruises, can be a joy to behold. We will meet Thursday mornings from 9:30-11 am starting September 8, 2011. Child care will be provided. If you are interested in participating in this Bible/Book study, please contact Heather Tuin.

Volunteers Needed:

We need volunteers to serve young mothers by caring for their children on Thursday mornings from 9:15 – 11:15 am during the G.R.O.W. Group. If you are able to help, please sign up in the narthex or contact Heather Tuin.



Ladies Fellowship: Mark your calendars today...our first session of the fall is Wednesday, September 28 from 9:45 – 11 am.

Men's Bible Study is gathering around the table this Wednesday, September 7 at 7 am in the Fellowship Hall. A light snack will be provided ~ see you there!

Sunday School is just around the corner and we are still in need of many teachers for the upcoming season. If you have been *DWELLING* on whether or not to get involved with our Covenant children now is the time to *DIVE* on in. Please see the sign up sheets in the narthex or if you have questions regarding the new and exciting curriculum please contact Barb Razenberg at 345-6047.

Fall Carnival...its time! Mark your calendar's for this year's Fall Carnival on Saturday, October 8. We have sign up sheets on the table in the Narthex with a few new items needed for donation, like a generator and chips. Please see where you would be able to help us again this year. Thank you!



Amy's fall hours are:

Monday, Tuesday, Friday from Noon – 3 pm and Wednesday from 9 am -3 pm.

Evangelism & Missions

Loaves & Fishes: *Wish list:*

September: *Peanut Butter*

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



Letters to Missionaries

Under new management...will return soon!

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

Prayer Support for Larry & Ruth Ann Spalink:

There is still time and room for you to join the *Prayer Mission Trip to Korea and Japan* this October in support of our missionaries there. For more information, check the web site, www.prayermissions.org.

Foods Resource Bank/"Adopt-a-Cow" Ministry:

Thanks to all who signed up to sponsor "Daisy" the cow through our partnership with the Foods Resource Bank and Christian Reformed World Relief Committee to bring support and God's love to those who are hungry around the world. There are several weeks or months yet available! Sign-up today at the display in the narthex near the office.



Offerings and Tithes

PM *Offering is always for the General Fund*

Sept 4: General Fund	Christian Education
Loose Change	Calvin College
Sept 11: General Fund	Ministry Shares
Loose Change	Park Village Pines
Sept 18: General Fund	Faith Promise
Loose Change	Calvin Seminary
Sept 25: General Fund	Debt Reduction
Loose Change	Elim Christian School

Requested Announcements

The 29th Annual Kalamazoo Christian High School Comet Booster Club Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, September 17 at Thornapple Creek Golf Club. The event is a four person scramble starting at 8 am. This event is a fundraiser for the

athletic program at Christian High. Please contact Dave Doorn at 665-9622 to sign up or for more information.

Does More god Equal Less Crime? The author of the new book *More God, Less Crime*, Dr. Byron Johnson, talks about the evidence behind the positive effects of Bible study in prison. Go to www.cbi.fm to listen to *Crossroad Connection* ~ a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.

The Songbook of the Bible: Have you ever been at a loss for words when you pray? This week on Groundwork we begin a series on this song book of the Bible. Dr. Tim Brown joins the discussion based on Psalm 1. We'll also see how the Psalms can give words to our most earnest prayers. Tune in September 11 to *Groundwork*. Find a local radio station or listen online at www.GroundworkOnline.com.

Hold the Phone: Liz has lost his phone, and now someone is using it to send strange text messages to his friends. Help Liz figure out what to do on this week's *Kids Corner*. Then write to Kids Corner at Box 506, Worth, IL 60482 or go to kids@kidscorner.net for your very own Bible Study.

Community Bible Study: Come! Meet the real Jesus in the Gospel of John. You are invited to join Community Bible Study beginning Thursday, September 8 as we study in a casual & welcoming environment. Men's and women's classes meet every Thursday evening from 7-8:45 pm at Calvary Bible Church. For additional information or to pre register call Marcia Dykstra at 343-1403 or Ron Kilian at 760-5394.

Come join us at the Living Proof Live Simulcast featuring *Beth Moore* on Saturday, September 10 at Centerpoint Church, 2345 N. 10th Street, Kalamazoo. The price is \$25.00/ticket and only \$5.00 for girls middle school to college age. All tickets include lunch and can be purchased at Centerpoint Church's website at www.centerpointkzoo.org. The simulcast will be shown LIVE from 10:30 – 5:15. If you need further information contact Megan Steensma @ msteensma@centerpointkzoo.org.

Couples Date Weekend, September 23-25 at the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds. Camping sites are available with many activities such as square Dancing, scavenger hunt, games, Saturday night program with Chris & Emily Danielson from JQ99, & Sunday worship. Saturday breakfast, dinner &

Sunday breakfast is included. \$100/couple. See our website at www.crcg.org for more details or call 616-842-4478.

Deanna House “Tailgate Treats”: Sponsored by the Kalamazoo Division of the Bible League International Volunteers. Come join in the fun with an evening of entertainment and recipe ideas with Deanna on September 8 at Westwood CRC, 620 Northampton Road. Coffee and treats will be served at 6:30 pm. and the program will begin at 7 pm. Tickets are \$5 a piece. Purchase tickets from your key contact Barb Nieboer or Bonnie Colvin or call Pearl at 349-2715 or Sandy at 345-5318. All proceeds go for Bibles for India.

Church Security & Safety Seminar: hosted by International Police & Fire Chaplains Association & Westwood CRC. It will be held on Saturday, September 10, 2011 at Westwood CRC, 620 Northampton Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49006. Check our the flyer posted in the Fellowship Hall if you desire more details.

Borgess has many great upcoming health events in the area. We believe by keeping the people informed we can all share in creating a healthier community. Check out the flyers posted in the Fellowship Hall regarding heart failure & stroke education classes, knowledge is power, healthier kids event, flu shot clinics, and sports injury walk-in clinic.

Run for the Son: 5K run/walk to benefit the Kalamazoo Deacons Conference will be held on Saturday, September 24 starting at 9 am. For more details, see the flyer posted in the Fellowship Hall or right outside the offices. Registration flyers are available on the table in the Narthex.

How to prepare for getting old...

Ruth Molloy, 89, offers these suggestions on how to prepare for old age:

- Keep your doctors on their toes.
- Stay in touch with longtime friends and find some new ones who are younger than you.
- Never refuse help, but don't overdo it. If someone offers to buy you something at the grocery store, answer, "Three bananas." Don't give an entire list.
- Don't complain too much. It gets boring. But don't be a saint. That's boring too.
- Read old magazines. They make you feel younger.
- Always have something to look forward to.

Adds Ruth: "What I'm looking forward to now is my 90th birthday. I'm getting my invitation list ready and it's a long one. If I'm dead by then, it will be a memorial service. But either way, there will be cake!"



NURSERY Sept 4: Barb Razenberg & Ruth Wagner

Sept 11: Lyndsay Berkenpas & Sue Mejeur

COFFEE SERVERS : Sept 4 & 11: Harold & Phyllis Triezenberg, Teri Wagner, Bernie & Judy Zwart
Sept 18 & 25: Glen & Ruth Wagner, Bill & Kathy Cobern, Davie & Carol Bonselaar

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

Sept 4: Jim Triezenberg & Donna Penning

Sept 11: Bill Vroegop & Ellen Byle

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

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY ~ September: Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY ~ jloele@juno.com

SERVICE MINISTRY ~ Sept: Heather Tuin

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY ~Sept 4: Lisa Vlietstra
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sept 11: Pat Schewe



Calendar of Events...

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Labor in Vain?" Ecclesiastes 2:17-26 5 pm Pastor Simon "The Indispensable Fatherhood of God" Lord's Day 46	5 	6 Deacon's Meeting 7 pm	7 Men's Bible Fellowship 7 am Praise Team Practice 6:30 – 8:30 pm	8 G.R.O.W. Women's Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am	9	10
11 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Who We Are: People of Faith" Hebrews 11 10:50 am Sunday School Kickoff 5 pm Pastor Simon "First Things First" Lord's Day 47	12	13 Kalamazoo Classis Meeting at Parchment CRC Admin Board Meeting 7 pm	14	15 G.R.O.W. Women's Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am	16	17
18 9:30 am Pastor Simon Series: Available "Abraham: Go to the Land" Genesis 12:1-9 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Rev. Loren Kotman	19	20 Shepherding Elders 3 pm	21 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	22 G.R.O.W. Women's Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am	23	24
25 9:30 am Pastor Simon Series: Available "Samuel: Speak Lord..." 1 Samuel 3:1-10 10:50 Sunday School 5 pm Pastor Simon "The Kingdom and the King" Lord's Day 48	26	27 Book Club 2-4 pm Council 7 pm	28 Ladies Fellowship Bible Study 9:45 – 11 am	29 G.R.O.W. Women's Bible Study 9:30 – 11 am	30	1 OCTOBER

**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: 9-2 pm & Thursday 9-Noon