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Heritage CRC

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SUNDAY WORSHIP:@ 10:00 AM

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:  
Thursday by 8:00 am. Call,  
leave a note, or e-mail to  
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

OFFICE HOURS:  
Wednesday: 8:00 am —12:00 pm  
Thursday: 8:00 am —12:00 pm

Volunteer Schedule...

COFFEE SERVERS:  
Aug. 18 & 25 Jim Bosch, Judy Wierenga, Heather Tuin  
Sep. 1 & 8 Mike & Cheri Gavin/Dave & Kathy VanderMeer

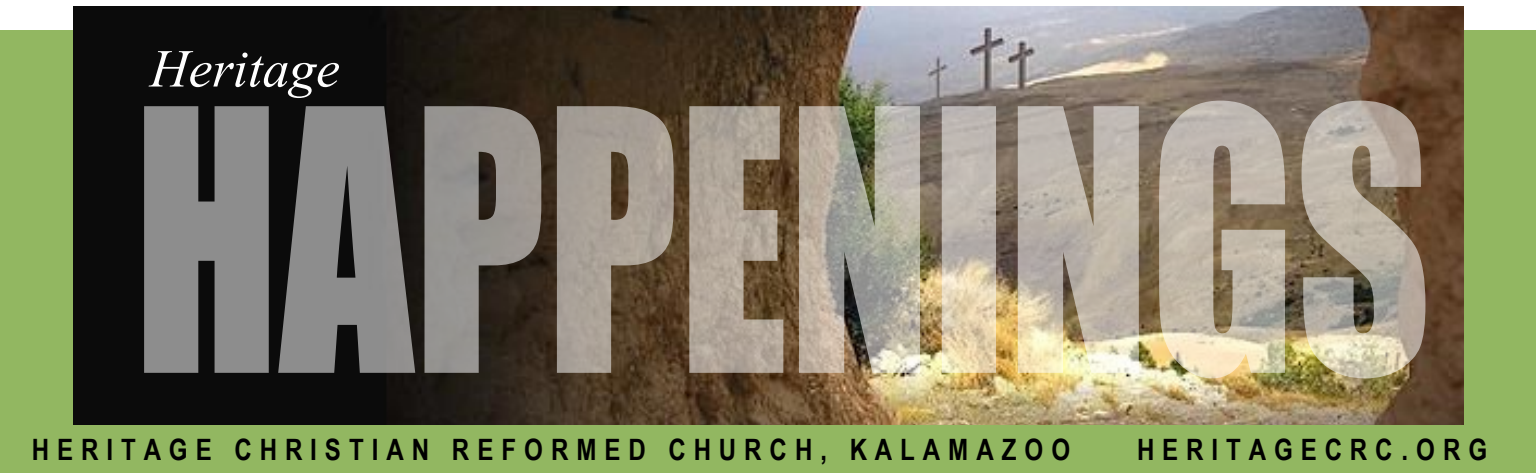
PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:  
Aug. 25 - Lisa Durian  
Sep. 1 - Ian Tuin  
Sep. 8 - Pat Schewe  
Sep. 15 - Paul Booden

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:  
8/25 - Cheri Gavin & Wendy Rose  
9/1 - Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur  
9/8 - Lisa & Olivia Bosch  
9/15 - Wendy Rose & Barb Razenberg



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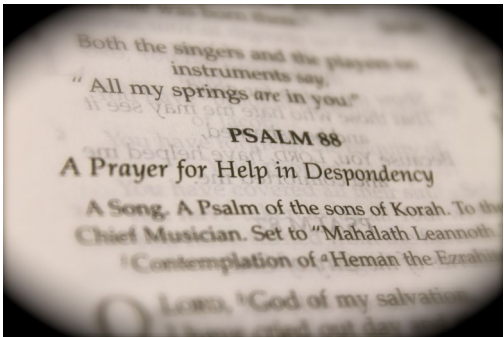
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What’s up in Worship

Summer in the Psalms

Every summer seems to have a soundtrack. Even when you hear just a few simple bars of “that song” you are automatically transported back. This Summer, join us as we focus in on a summer “playlist” together by setting our hearts to the Psalms. This week’s sermon title - “**Life in the Pits**” Psalm 88.



**Rebuilding: The Book of Nehemiah** ~ Nehemiah is called by God to rebuild the wall around Jerusalem so that the remnant in Israel may dwell again in the city. It’s ultimately the story of an unfaithful people’s encounter with the unrelenting faithfulness of God who longs to see His people restored. In this series on the book of Nehemiah, which begins on Sunday, September 8, we will see what it means to be “living stones” whom God uses to build His church.

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

Ruth Fletcher ~ August 25  
Kathy VanderMeer ~ August 27  
Frances Smeeda ~ August 29





**SAVE THE DATE:** On Sunday, August 25, there will be an all-church picnic following the morning worship service. Everything will be provided. We hope to see you there!

What’s Happening This Week

Church Calendar for August 24-31:

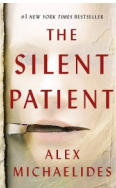
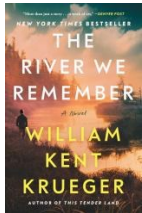
Saturday	7:45am Mobile Food Initiative
Sunday	10:00 Worship Service 11:30 All Church Picnic

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				22	23	24 7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative 
25 10 am Pastor Simon “Life in the Pits” Psalm 88  11:30 All Church Picnic	26	27 10 am Book Club	28	29	30	31
1 Communion Sunday  10 am Pastor Simon “The Lord Reigns” Psalm 96  <i>September</i>	2 	3	4 8 am Men’s Bible Study	5	6	7
8 10 am Pastor Simon “Rebuilding: Remembering God’s Covenant” Nehemiah 1	9	10	11	12 9:30 GROW Group	13	14





On Tuesday August 27 10:00 am we will be discussing The River We Remember by William Kent Krueger. A wealthy landowner is found in the river in Jewel, Minn. on Memorial Day 1958. Rumors are that the killer is a Native American who came home from the war with a Japanese wife.



**Please look around** for the book The Silent Patient. It was our read in June and was due July 23. The cost of the book is now being charged. Please call Dorothy Broekhuizen if found. Thank you.



Men's Bible Study begins on Wednesday, September 4 at 8AM. Please join us for a study of Thessalonians. We meet on the first Wednesday each month with Pastor Simon and Ken Byle as leaders and we always welcome new members for an hour of Bible Study.



**GROW GROUP BIBLE STUDY** - Our GROW group will begin meeting on Thursday, September 12 at 9:30 am. We plan to study the 4th season of The Chosen. All women are invited to join us!

**Offering Schedule**

- Aug 25 General Fund & Building Fund  
Loose Change: Kalamazoo Valley Gleaners
- Sep. 1 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance  
Loose Change: Hospice Care of SW Michigan
- Sep. 8 General Fund & Ministry Shares  
Loose Change: Alternatives of Kalamazoo
- Sep. 15 General Fund & Faith Promise  
Loose Change: Calvin Theological Seminary

**Offerings (deposited for August 18, 2024)**

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$615.00
- Building Fund ~ \$40.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$2,727.00
- General Fund ~ \$7,837.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$25.00
- Organ Fund ~ \$300.00

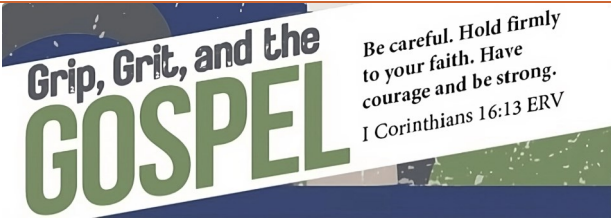


Mobile Food Initiative is **Saturday, August 24.**

**7:45 AM at Heritage CRC.**

**See you there!**

**Coffee Break** will begin on Sept. 17 at 9:30 AM. We will be discussing a book on the 12 disciples. Coffee Break is open to all ladies. Contact Ellen Byle at 269-349-1122 in regard to getting the book for study.



**Bible League Conference**

You are invited to the Grip, Grit, and the Gospel conference hosted for you by Bible League Volunteers on Friday, September 6, at Friendship Christian Reformed Church, Byron Center. Hear from keynote speakers Craig and Molly Sanborn, known for their love for laughter, each other and Jesus. For registration details go to [bibleleague.org/tickets](http://bibleleague.org/tickets). Deadline to register for the conference is August 31.



**Park Village Pines' Cruise-In Car Show.** Join us for free hot dogs and vintage cars! We will revel in classic cars and old stories. No RSVP for spectators. Car owners, registration is required, there are no fees and the top 3 will receive an award and gift card. For questions and to register your car contact Maria Weathers at 269-364-6051 or [MariaWeathers@ParkVillagePines.org](mailto:MariaWeathers@ParkVillagePines.org). Come and enjoy an evening of fun from 5-7 pm on Thursday, September 12.



**Park Village Pines 2024 Fall Gala** with comedian Michael Jr. will be on Thursday, September 19 at 6:30 pm at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Kalamazoo. You can get tickets by visiting [FallGala.com](http://FallGala.com). Questions can be directed to Maria Weathers: [mariaweathers@parkvillagepines.org](mailto:mariaweathers@parkvillagepines.org) or 269-364-6051.

*Family Faith Formation Tip*

**In Celebration of Discipline, Richard Foster writes, "Self-righteous service fractures community. . . it puts others into its debt and becomes one of the most subtle and destructive forms of manipulation known. True service builds community. It quietly and unpretentiously goes about caring for the needs of others. It draws, binds, heals, builds." Look for ways to heal and build others up through service this week. Learn more at [crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject](http://crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject)**

**ReFrame Ministries**

**Groundwork: Called To Be God's Prophet** - It can be hard, even shocking to follow God's call on our lives and share his message. Join Groundwork as we study Ezekiel 1-3 to learn from Ezekiel's experience and discuss what it means to be called, to be a prophet, and to speak truth. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Kids Corner: Why Did God Give Me Gifts?** - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Take a moment to think about some of the gifts that God has given you. What are you especially good at? What are some of your favorite things that you own? What are some more things that you are thankful for? Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like the Bible Story Podcast The Parable of the Talents.

**Family Fire** - Family Fire is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at [familyfire.com](http://familyfire.com). Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.