

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH, KALAMAZOOHERITAGECRC.ORG

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

Volunteer Schedule...

COFFEE SERVERS:
Sep. 1 & 8 Mike & Cheri Gavin/Dave & Kathy VanderMeer
Sep. 15 & 22 Fred & Pam Gould/Norm & Bonnie Langeland

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:
Sep. 1 - Ian Tuin
Sep. 8 - Pat Schewe
Sep. 15 - Paul Booden
Sep. 22 - Lisa Durian

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:
9/1 - Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur
9/8 - Lisa & Olivia Bosch
9/15 - Wendy Rose & Barb Razenberg
9/22 - Joy Knurr & Nancy VandenBerg

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HAPPENINGS

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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 - “**The Lord Reigns**” Psalm 96.

This Sunday, September 1, is Communion Sunday. We invite all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God and confess Jesus as their Savior, to join us at the table of our Lord for Communion. Trays will be passed down each pew, if you prefer you can pick up prefilled cups in the lobby before the service.

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...

Mike Gavin ~ September 1
Heather Tuin ~ September 1
Jake Scheffers ~ September 4
Jim Bosch ~ September 6

Anniversaries...

Pete & Rose Dame ~ September 1
David & Bonnie Colvin ~ September 4

Church Calendar for September 1-7:

Sunday 10:00 Communion Worship Service

Wednesday 8:00 am Men’s Bible Study

The September/October Today booklets have arrived. Please pick up a copy outside the southeast sanctuary doors if you so desire a copy. We have more large print copies available as well.



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!



The **Wednesday Bible Study** will begin again on September 18. We will study "Becoming a Welcoming Church" and the cost of the book is \$5.00 for any in the congregation who would like to take part in the study. We will meet on Wednesdays at 10:00 am starting September 18 and going for 6 weeks. See Michael VandenBerg with any questions and to request a book.



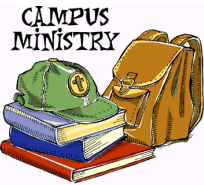
On Tuesday Sept 24 at 10:00 join us to discuss The Next Ship Home by Heather Webb. Two women have come to America to fulfill their dreams. As they face the misdeeds of a system known to manipulate and abuse immigrants, they form an unlikely friendship. They also share a terrible secret that alters their fate and the lives of the immigrants who come after them. See Dorothy Broekhuizen.

Offering Schedule

- 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
- Sep. 22 General Fund & Benevolence Fund
Loose Change: Building Fund

Offerings (deposited for August 25, 2024)

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$30.00
- Building Fund ~ \$245.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$10.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$60.00
- General Fund ~ \$3,036.00
- Kalamazoo Valley Gleaners ~ \$247.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$70.00



The next **International Student Luncheon** is on Thursday, September 19. Sign up sheets are on the table by the office. Foil pans will be available next week. All food needs to be to church and ready to go by 11:00 am on September 19. Thank you!

Ladies: Dig out your vintage lunch box or a brown paper bag. It's time for our annual gathering for lunch before all the fall activities begin. Coffee & water will be provided. If anyone has a recipe they want to try, tasters await! We will meet on **Tuesday, September 17 at 11:30**. The picnic will be at the Oshtemo Township Park, 7275 W. Main Street, behind the Oshtemo Firehouse. All ladies are invited, we hope you can join us!



Coffee Break will begin on October 1 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. 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. Come and enjoy an evening of fun from 5-7 pm on Thursday, September 12.

Classis Kalamazoo is seeking a nominee for the Council of Delegates (the governing board of the CRC). This is a three-year term starting July 1, 2025, renewable for a second three-year term. You can learn more about the Council of Delegates here: [Council of Delegates | Christian Reformed Church \(crcna.org\)](http://Council of Delegates | Christian Reformed Church (crcna.org)). If you would like to put forward someone as a nominee, or nominate yourself, please submit their/ your name and a brief bio to Rev. Mike Koetje, interim Stated Clerk, at classiskalamazoostatedclerk@gmail.com by September 30.

Family Faith Formation Tip

Labor Day marks the beginning of a new season of school, church life, and work. As you engage in new and familiar activities this week, reflect on where you see God at work. Where have you witnessed love in action? Where have you seen people who are sad and lonely being befriended, those who are in need receiving help, and those who are excluded included? Make a list of the ways you see God at work in your life and in the lives of the people around you, and give thanks to God for God's ongoing love for the world. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

ReFrame Ministries

Groundwork: Dramatic Messages From God - God repeatedly gives the prophet Ezekiel both a verbal message and instructions on how to also convey that message visually. Join Groundwork as we study Ezekiel 4-7 and 12 to witness God's heartbreak, his deep love for his people, and his great effort to get their attention. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Kids Corner: God Is Talking to Me? - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. It's okay to have questions about the things that happen in a church service. The good news is that God's happy when we all come together and worship him, whether we've been to that church a hundred times or are new for the first time. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Bible Story Podcast The Story of Samuel.

NOTICE: 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.

