

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:

Aug. 2 & 9Matt & Lisa Durian, Bonnie Colvin, Teri Wagner
Aug. 16 & 23Bob & Jane Pangle, Nick & Melissa Piontek

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: hccrprayer@gmail.com

SERVICE MINISTRY: Kathy VanderMeer

Districts

A-M
N-Z

Elder

Glen Wagner
Bill Vroegop

Deacon

Teri Wagner
Judy Wieringa

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

Aug. 9 - Chris VandenBerg
Aug.16 - Paul Booden
Aug.23 - Lisa Durian
Aug. 30 -

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

8/9 - Cheryl Koning & Melissa Piontek
8/16 - Michelle Koning & Barb Razenberg
8/23 - John Bruinwood & Sue Florian
8/30 - Lisa & Olivia Bosch

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				6	7	8
9 10 am Rev. Dan Roles "Relief in the Heat of Summer" Psalm 32	10	11 7 pm Admin Board	12	13	14	15
16 10 am Pastor Simon "The Generation of the Upright" Psalm 112	17	18  8 am First day for Kal. Christian Schools 3:30 pm Shep. Elders	19	20	21	22 7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative 
23 10 am Pastor Simon "Hard-pressed, But Not Crushed" Psalm 129	24	25 10 am Book Club	26	27	28	29

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HAPPENINGS

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What’s up in Worship

Please welcome to our pulpit this Sunday, guest pastor, Rev. Dan Roels. He will lead us in worship and his sermon is based on Psalm 32, “**Relief in the Heat of the Summer.**”

Out-of-the-Office: Pastor Simon will be on vacation July 20-August 10. Please join us in praying for a refreshing and renewing time away. In the event of a pastoral emergency during this time, please contact one of the shepherding elders (Bill Vroegop or Glen Wagner). We are grateful to welcome to the pulpit Rev. Steve VanZanen (July 26), Rev. Eric Schering (August 2) and Rev. Dan Roels (August 9).

Celebrations...

Birthdays...
August 9 ~ Linda DeLoof
August 9 ~ Sharon Stryd
August 11~ Tyler Mejeur
August 14 ~ Bill Truscott
August 14 ~ Ian Tuin



Anniversaries...
August 12 ~ Ed & Karan Finch, 66 years!

Upcoming

EVENTS

Church Calendar for August 9-15

Sunday

10:00 am

Worship Service

Tuesday

7:00 pm

Admin. Board



FIVE MINUTES: Here’s the challenge: When the service ends, let’s do our utmost to give the first five minutes to someone we don’t know or to someone we don’t know well. There will be time to catch up with the people you know. But first we can make a difference in someone’s day if we will make the most of the moments following that final “amen.” The power of a sincere welcome matters!



Building construction on the education wing is almost complete. Feel free to walk down the hall and check out the progress when you are here for Sunday service.



Alternatives of Kalamazoo: A baby basinet is available in the gym/fellowship hall for donations to support Alternatives Pregnancy Care Center of Kalamazoo. Alternatives provides material assistance to their clients. They accept gently used items such as maternity outfits, children’s clothing, toys and strollers. **They are in need of new or gently used Toddler Clothing sizes 4T & 5T for both boys and girls.** Let's fill the bassinet. The donations will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for all your generous giving.



Do you enjoy doing puzzles? It’s great for hand dexterity and eye coordination, plus it’s a great way to pass the time on all the cold and snowy days. We have a table set up in the north wing with all sizes, 300 up to 1000 pieces. So take a look and if you want, bring one from home to share.

Offering Schedule

- Aug. 9 General Fund
Loose Change: Kal. Gospel Ministries
- Aug. 16 General Fund
Loose Change: Benevolence Fund
- Aug. 23 General Fund
Loose Change: Kalamazoo Valley Gleaners
- Aug. 30 General Fund
Loose Change: Kal. Christian Schools

Offerings ~ Deposited for July 19, 2026

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$75.00
- Building Fund ~ \$80.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$335.00
- General Fund ~ \$3,658.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$125.00
- Reach the Forgotten ~ \$330.00

Deposited for August 2, 2026

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$290.00
- Building Fund ~ \$270.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$235.00
- General Fund ~ \$4,133.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$135.00
- Park Village Pines ~ \$251.00



Below is the schedule for another Senior University seminar series to be held at Park Village Pines the next four weeks. Feel free to spread the word with any groups of individuals (prospective residents or family members) who might benefit from these sessions. They do not have to register for these sessions, and they may come to as few or as many sessions as they wish. Thanks so much!

Tuesday, August 11 – 3:00-4:00 P.M. – “A Biblical Perspective on Aging” along with “Transitioning to an Assisted Living Community”

Tuesday, August 18 – 3:00-4:00 P.M. – “Palliative/Hospice Care” with Amy Beebe & Sarah Simpson (Centrica Care Navigators)

Tuesday, August 25 – 3:00-4:00 P.M. – “Estate Planning/Wills and Trusts” with Chico Obande (Willis Law)

Tuesday, September 1 – 3:00-4:00 P.M. – “Dealing with Challenging Behaviors: Dementia/Alzheimer’s/Other” with Dr. Elmira Yessengaliyeva (Geriatric Psychiatrist)



Adopt Daisy and Maisy! The Growing Hope Globally sign up poster is by the office, **we only have four more weeks to fill in** to have Daisy and Maisy fed for the whole year. It’s \$60 per week. You can sign up today to help fill those last weeks. Thank you!



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<https://www.thebanner.org/get-your-banner-0>
Or you can call The Banner office at 1-800-777-7270. Sign-ups do not need to be renewed each year and can be canceled at any time.



Crossroads Mentor Gathering in Garden City, Michigan (August 2026) - Join us August 15 9-10:30 a.m. ET for a Crossroads Mentor Gathering in Garden City, Michigan! Whether you're a current mentor or interested in learning more about Crossroads, this event is a great opportunity to connect, hear inspiring stories, and learn how God is working through Crossroads to transform lives. You'll receive valuable insights into the role of a mentor and the impact you're making in the lives of incarcerated men and women. Location: Merriman Road Baptist Church | 2055 Merriman Rd. Garden City, MI 48135

Family Faith Formation Tip

This summer, watch for how God is revealed in creation. Read Psalm 148 for inspiration, then use your five senses when you explore parks, forests, and beaches. Admire the symmetry of a flower, the strength of a tree, or the pattern of a shell. Let the kids in your life teach you about childlike wonder! (Tip from Faith Formation; bit.ly/CRCFaithFormation)



ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Talking About Sin: Tell and Show” at www.kidscorner.net. What’s the best way to apologize? Explore the two-step approach: First, tell God you’re sorry and say it to the person you’ve hurt. Then get serious and show your “I’m sorry” by taking action. Check out the new Kids Corner Devotions app at <https://kidscorner.net/app>

Groundwork: Prayer is a wonderful gift from God, bringing us into direct communication with our heavenly Father. The Bible assures us that God hears our prayers: “Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God” (Philippians 4:6). Through God’s Son, Jesus Christ, we may “approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need” (Hebrews 4:16). Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.