

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH, KALAMAZOOHERITAGECRC.ORG

Heritage CRC

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SUNDAY WORSHIP:
@ 9:30 AM (Nursery provided)
SUNDAY EVENING @ 5:00 PM

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
Thursday by 9:00 am. Call,
leave a note, or e-mail to
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday: 8:30 am—12:30 pm
Thursday: 8:30—12 pm

Volunteer Schedule...

NURSERY

December 1: McKena Razenberg & Hannah Mejeur
December 8: Barb Razenberg & Barb Nieboer

COFFEE SERVERS


Dec 1: Glen & Ruth Wagner, Herm & Gretchen Vanders, Bill & Joyce Truscott
Dec 8/15: John & Kim Bruinwood, Judy Wieringa, Jack & Evie Wenke

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: December: Betty Vlietstra

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: December 1: Lisa Durian December 8: LillieAnn Durian
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 COMMUNION FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:30 am Pastor Simon “The Surprising Messiah” Matthew 1:1-17 ~ No Evening Worship~	2 	3 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	4 Men’s Bible Fellowship 8 am Book Club 2 pm	5	6	7
8 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:30 am Pastor Simon “What’s in A Name?” Matthew 1:18-25 ~ CONGREGATIONAL MTG ~ 5 pm Pastor Simon “He Will Be Their Peace” Micah 5:15	9	10 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Admin Board Meeting 7 pm	11 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	12	13	14
15 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:30 am Pastor Simon “To Worship the King” Matthew 2:1-12 Service of Lessons & Carols	16	17 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Shepherding Elders 7 pm	18	19	20	21 Mobile Food Initiative Centerpoint 8 am set up 9 am food delivery
22 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:30 AM Pastor Simon “Out of Egypt” Matthew 2:13-23 Candlelight Service	23	24	25 Christmas Day Worship 9:30 am	26	27	28

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What’s up in Worship

Series: The Christmas Story:

Throughout the Bi-
ble, God promised the Advent or coming of his Son,
Jesus. This is one of the most important events in all
human history—the almighty, eternal, creator of the
universe becoming human, living among us, and suf-
fered on our behalf in order to give us life. Join us this
Advent which begins today as we prepare ourselves
for the celebration of Jesus’ first coming and antici-
pate His coming again.

Today is also Communion Sunday.

We invited 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. Please note
that in the center of each
basket of bread are glu-
ten-free crackers.



Reminder ~ There is no evening worship tonight.

Upcoming Special Services:

Plan to join us for the
special services planned for this Advent season:

• Lessons & Carols ~ Join us on Sunday, De-
cember 15 at 5 pm for our annual “Lessons and
Carols” service. This traditional service includes
nine Scripture lessons, tracing salvation history
from Genesis through the gospels, interspersed
with singing of Christmas carols and hymns.

• Candlelight Service ~ Join us on Sunday, De-
cember 22 at 5 pm for our annual Candlelight Ser-
vice. Through the singing of carols and the lighting
of candles we will journey together to Bethlehem
and rejoice in all we have seen and heard.

Celebrations

Birthdays...

Della Porter ~ December 3 ~ 80 years young!
Carol Bonselaar ~ December 6

Anniversaries...

Norbert & Joy Hegelmann ~ December 7

Ministry

Book Club:

will meet again on Wednesday, De-
cember 4 at 2 pm to discuss the book titled
“Murphy’s Law” by Rhys Bowen. See you there!

Men’s Bible Fellowship

will meet this Wednes-
day, December 4 at 8 am. See you there!

It’s That Time Again!

The gals from Coffee Break
are ready to collect winter things again for distribu-
tion to help those at the Kalamazoo Gospel Mis-
sion. We need any of the following:

Mittens

Hats

Scarves

Jackets

Vests

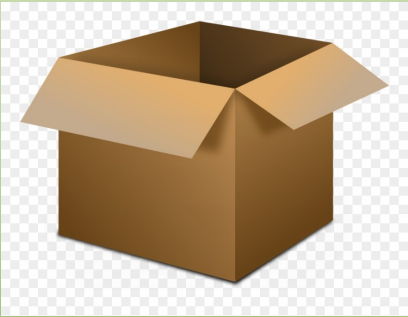
Sweaters

Sweatpants

Sweatshirts

Boots

Blankets



Everything is appreciated! Please drop off items in
large box in Narthex. Thank you.

Ministry continued...



Christmas Cards & Cookies

If you are able, please remember our home-bound members (extra lists can be found on table in Narthex) with a card and/or cookies. Please place the cards in the basket at the Information Center and the cookies in the kitchen by **December 15**. Thank you!



Annual Congregational Meeting: The annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for next Sunday, December 8, 2019 following the morning Worship Service to vote on a budget for 2020 and a recommendation on selling property along 11th Street. Extra copies of the proposed budget are available at the Information Center. If you are unable to be present at the meeting, absentee ballots are available at the Information Center. Please vote on the ballot, seal your ballot in the envelope provided, and sign your name on the outside of the envelope and place your envelope in the box.



World Renew's gift catalog landed in your mailbox this week full of things that matter to people in need around the world. From hand-washing stations to whole houses, you can find something to honor everyone on your Christmas list while also honoring Jesus, the real reason for the season! Gifts like goats, nutrition kits, and kindergartens changes the story of the people World Renew serves. Every gift loosen the chains of injustice and poverty in a real and sustainable way. Individual's lives are transformed. Communities are changed.

Missions & Missionaries...

Loaves & Fishes wish list:
December: Canned Meat
Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall

Emails or Letters to Missionaries...
Ken & Dorothy VanDenBerg ~ Larry Spalink
Ken & Irene VanderBerg ~ Jairo Solano
Dave & Kathy VanderMeer ~ Jerry An
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 next to the mailboxes

Offering Schedule


- Dec 1: General Fund: Christian Ed Assistance
Loose Change: Rose Arbor Hopsice
- Dec 8: General Fund: Ministry Shares
Loose Change: Benevolence
- Dec 15: General Fund: Faith Promise
Loose Change: Kzoo Gospel Mission
- Dec 22: General Fund: Building Fund
Loose Change: Forgotten Man
- Dec 25: World Renew

Offerings (deposited for November 24)

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$90.00
- Building Fund ~ \$635.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$280.00
- General Fund ~ \$2,983.00
- Growing Hope Globally ~ \$40.00
- Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes ~ \$25.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$75.00
- Wycliffe Bible Translators ~ \$202.00

Severe Weather Cancellation: In the event of severe weather and Sunday services are cancelled, closing information will be posted on Channel 3 WWMT as well as WOODTV 8 at least 1-hour prior to the worship service start time. You can also sign up to receive text or email alerts from Channel 3, WWMT. Go to WWMT website. Click on School/Business/Church Closing Alerts. Then sign up to receive texts on your phone or email alerts for Heritage Christian Reformed Church.





Joy to the World

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ADVENT
ANGEL
BETHLEHEM
BIRTH
BLESSINGS
CAMELS
FRANKINCENSE

INFANT
JESUS
JOSEPH
MAGI
MANGER
MARY
MIRACLE

MYRRH
NATIVITY
REJOICE
STABLE
STAR
THREE KINGS
WISE MEN

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Family Faith Formation Tip

During Advent, we light the candle of Hope. Through Jesus Christ, God provides us with hope for our daily living and hope for our future. How can you be a messenger of hope this week? Wonder and talk about that with someone this week.

