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

Volunteer Schedule...

COFFEE SERVERS:
Feb. 18 & 25John & Kim Bruinwood/ Judy Fletcher & Sue Florian
March 3 & 10Jim Bosch/ Judy Wieringa/ Heather Tuin

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:
Feb. 18 - Paul Booden
Feb. 25 - Lisa Durian
Mar. 3 - Ian Tuin
Mar. 10 - LillieAnn Durian

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:
2/18 - Ruth Mather & Melissa Piontek
2/25 - Sue Florian & Wendy Rose
3/3 - Nancy VandenBerg & Mary Deters
3/10 - Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur

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HAPPENINGS

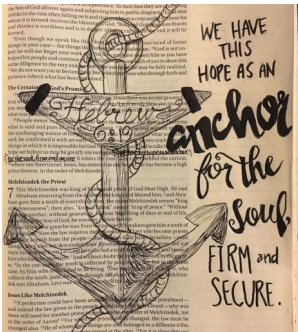
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What’s up in Worship

Better: A Journey Through Hebrews – There has always been pressure on those who belong to Jesus to deny Him and find something better. Join us in this series on the book of Hebrews as we discover its re-sounding message that Jesus is better than every-thing we might try to satisfy the deepest longing of our hearts. This week’s sermon title is: **“To Make Our Hope Sure”**, based on Hebrews 5:11-6:20.



Welcome! We are pleased to let the congregation know that Marti Chingo has accepted the position of Church Operations Manager here at Heritage Church. Thank you, Marti for stepping into this role.



Pat and Carol Schewe and Rick Lingbeek would like to thank our congregation for all the cards and expres-sions of kindness and sympathy we were shown at the passing of our mom, Nell Lingbeek. We are so thankful for our loving church family.

Birthdays...

LillieAnn Durian ~ February 18
Pete Vroegop ~ February 19
Carole Bickle ~ February 20
Stephanie Finch ~ February 21
Phil Nieboer ~ February 23

COMING UP THIS WEEK

Church Calendar for February 18-24:

Sunday10:00 Worship Service

Tuesday9:30 Coffee Break
3:30 Shepherding Elders

Wednesday10:00 Reformation Bible Study

Thursday9:30 GROW Group

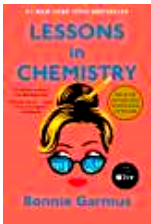
Saturday7:45 Mobile Food Initiative

Substitute Coffee Maker Needed

The Boodens will be gone from February 25 through the end of March. They make coffee be-fore church so everyone can enjoy it after the ser-vice. Please let Marge or Paul know as soon as possible if you are willing to help for a few weeks. Thank you!

Nominations for Elder and Deacon: It will soon be time to give our thanks for those who have served the Lord and His Church and elect new members to serve on the Council as either elder or deacon. As we begin this process, the council asks you to join them in praying God will raise up those who will fill these leadership roles at Heritage Church. Please also consider nominating those you believe are qualified and gifted to serve as an elder or deacon. A letter describing the qualifications necessary to serve and a nomination form will be sent out via e-mail. Extra copies are available at the Information Center.

Book Club will meet on Tuesday February 27 at 10:00 to discuss our next book. Lessons in Chemistry follows Elizabeth Zott from a one-of-a-kind scientist in 1960's California to an unexpected detour when she becomes the unlikely star of a beloved cooking show. Read with us to find out the extraordinary events that lead to this. Books available from Dorothy Broekhuizen



We are in need of more nursery volunteers for the Sunday morning services. There is a sign up sheet on the table by the office to sign up if you can help out with this ministry. Thank you!

Offering Schedule

- Feb. 18 General Fund & Building Fund
Loose Change: Kal. Loaves & Fishes
- Feb. 25 General Fund & Building Fund
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- Mar. 3 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance
Loose Change: Park Village Pines
- Mar. 10 General Fund & Ministry Shares
Loose Change: Hospice Care of SW Michigan

Offerings (deposited for February 11, 2024)

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$30.00
- Building Fund ~ \$50.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$25.00
- Kal. Christian Schools ~ \$132.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$135.00
- General Fund ~ \$4,477.00
- Initial Offering ~ \$10.00
- Memorial Fund ~ \$1,445.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$245.00

Adopt Daisy and her sister Maisy! Over the past 17 years, Heritage CRC has partnered with Growing Hope Globally (<https://www.growinghopeglobally.org/>) and two other churches in Kalamazoo (Grace and Third CRC) to tackle world hunger through the Dairy Project!

The way the Dairy Project works is Red Arrow Dairy donates 5 cows that churches “adopt” to cover their feed and veterinary care expenses. In return, the dairy donates the value of the milk produced to Growing Hope Globally. In 2023, church contributions, the value of the milk produced and donations of suppliers to the dairy raised \$30,317. This money will go to support World Renew projects in Bangladesh and Cambodia. (<https://worldrenew.net/>).

As we look to a new year of support for Growing Hope Globally, **you can now sign up on the “Adopt-a-Cow” poster.** This will provide an opportunity for members to adopt Daisy and her sister Maisy for \$55/week or \$235/month in 2024. Every dollar donated is typically matched 4-1 through the Dairy Project.



Are you familiar with the Shepherds Center of Kalamazoo? Our mission for the past 35 years has been to eliminate transportation barriers and support senior independence. We offer one-to-one personalized transportation services to health related appointments for adults ages 60+. We are a non-profit organization that are proudly supported by religious communities and businesses throughout Kalamazoo County and backed by leading community organizations. Pamphlets about the Shepherd’s Center are on the table in the narthex. They describe our services in more detail. Bob Deters is one of the volunteer drivers and serves on their Board of Directors. He would be happy to answer questions you may have. Shepherd’s Center is also looking for more volunteer drivers, which is a great way to serve others in your retirement years. Drivers can choose when and how often they would like to drive.

Mobile Food Initiative is Saturday, February 24.

7:45 AM at Heritage CRC.

*****Please let the office know if you can help out. See you there!***



Family Faith Formation Tip

Wendell Berry wrote, “Rats and roaches live by competition under the laws of supply and demand; it is the privilege of human beings to live under the laws of justice and mercy.” Which laws in your community promote justice, mercy, and human flourishing? Which do not? Learn more at ercna.org/FaithPracticesProject

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: Names of God: The Lord Is My Peace - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Can you think of a time when you did not feel worthy enough to do something? Maybe you thought, “Why did they pick me?” or “There’s someone else better than me.” If so, you know exactly how Gideon felt in Judges 6:11- 24. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC’s Lent and Easter Collection.

Groundwork: Why Jesus Had To Die On A Cross - We begin the season of Lent by slowing down and remembering why Jesus Christ’s awful death was necessary. Join Groundwork as we study Genesis 3:14-15, Romans 5:12-17, Isaiah 10:1-3, Habakkuk 1:2-4, and Jeremiah 31:31-34 to reflect on scriptures that answer the question: “Why did Jesus have to die on a cross?” Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.



Prayer line: Please send all prayer requests to Jerry Oele or if your email address has changed, you wish to have your or a friend's email added to the Prayer Line, or you wish to no longer receive prayer line emails, please send an email request to: jerry.oele@yahoo.com or prayerline@heritagecrc.org