

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:  
Feb. 16 & 23 Jim Bosch, Judy Wieringa, Heather Tuin/Norbert & Joy H  
March 2 & 9 Dave & Kathy VanderMeer/Mike & Cheri Gavin

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse  
PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: hccrcprayer@gmail.com  
SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

Districts

A-M  
N-Z

Elder



Glen Wagner  
Rick Lingbeek

Deacon

Cheri Gavin  
Roger Selles

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:  
Feb. 23 - Lisa Durian  
Mar. 2 - Ian Tuin  
Mar. 9 - Chris Vandenberg

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:  
2/23 - Wendy Rose & Joyce Truscott  
3/2 - Sue Florian & John Bruinwood  
3/9 - Lisa & Olivia Bosch

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				20 9:30 GROW Group	21	22 7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative 
23 10 am Rev. Mike Vandenberg "Living in God's Economy" Psalm 37:1-11,39-40, Luke 6:27-38	24	25 10 am Book Club	26 10 am Adult Bible Study	27 9:30 GROW Group	28	1 
2 Communion 10 am Pastor Simon "The Lord's Prayer: To Be Forgiven & to Forgive" Matthew 6:9-13, Matthew 18:21-35	3	4 9:30 Coffee Break	5 8 am Men's Bible Study 10 am Adult Bible Study	6 9:30 GROW Group	7	8 5-7:30 Soup Fund-raiser for Ian Tuin's Kenya trip
9 10 am Pastor Simon "The Lord's Prayer: Our Sworn Enemies" Matthew 5:9-13, Ephesians 6:10-18	10	11 7 pm Admin Council	12 10 am Adult Bible Study	13 9:30 GROW Group 10:45 International Student Luncheon	14 9:30 Heritage Piecemakers	15

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HAPPENINGS

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What's up in Worship

Please welcome to our pulpit, guest pastor Rev. Michael Vandenberg as he leads us in worship this Sunday. His sermon is based on Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40, Luke 6:27-38, "Living in God's Economy."

**Service Trip to Kenya, Africa:** This summer, Ian Tuin will join students and leaders from Kalamazoo Christian High School to travel to Kenya from July 13-25 with the goal of serving God and his people. To raise financial support for this service trip, a Soup Supper fundraiser is planned for **Saturday, March 8** from **5-7:30 pm** at Heritage Church. Come and enjoy a meal with others and support Ian as he makes plans for this trip.

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

Phil Nieboer ~ February 23  
Dave Bickle ~ February 26  
Becky Smith ~ February 26  
John Bruinwood ~ February 28  
Ernie Waterhouse ~ February 28

What's Happening This Week

Church Calendar for February 22-March 1:

Saturday 7:45 Mobile Food Initiative  
Sunday 10:00 Worship Service  
Wednesday 10:00 Adult Bible Study  
Thursday 9:30 GROW Group

Mobile Food Initiative is  
**Saturday, February 22.**

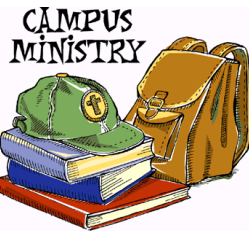
7:45 AM at Heritage CRC.

See you there!



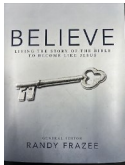
Council News

**Nominations for Elder and Deacon:** It will soon be time to give thanks for those who have served the Lord and His Church and elect new members to 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.



Our next International Student Luncheon is planned for March 13. Sign up sheets and pans are on the table by the office. Thank you.

**Adult Bible Study** meets every Wednesdays at 10:00 am through April 9. The book by Rev. Randy Frazee entitled "Believe" will be our Study. We will look at how to *Think like Jesus* and the second section looks at how to *Act like Jesus* and the third section, how to *Become more like Jesus*. All are welcome to join us.



**Book Club:** August 1939: Grace Bennett has always dreamed of moving to the city, but never imagined working at a dusty old bookshop in London. Through blackouts and air raids, Grace discovers the power of storytelling to unite her community in ways she never dreamed. We will be discussing this book Tuesday, February 25, 10:00am. See Dorothy Broekhuizen for a book or with questions.



Offering Schedule

- Feb. 23 General Fund & Building Fund  
Loose Change: Resonate Global Mission
- Mar. 2 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance  
Loose Change: Park Village Pines
- Mar. 9 General Fund & Ministry Shares  
Loose Change: Centrica Hospice of SW MI
- Mar. 16 General Fund & Faith Promise  
Loose Change: Dordt College

Offerings (deposited for February 16, 2025)

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$308.00
- Building Fund ~ \$50.00
- Christian Ed Assistance ~ \$45.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$432.00
- General Fund ~ \$6,066.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$160.00



**Adopt Daisy and Maisy!** Over the past 18 years, Heritage CRC has partnered with Growing Hope Globally (<https://www.growinghopeglobally.org/>) and 2 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. As we look to a new year of support for Growing Hope Globally, you can find the “Adopt-a-Cow” poster by the office. This provides an opportunity for members to adopt Daisy and Maisy for \$60/week or \$255/month in 2025. Every dollar donated is typically matched 3-1 through the Dairy Project.

The **church kitchen** is running low on dish towels, please check to see if you have any at home. Also the kitchen could use more disposable containers (Dutch Tupperware), such as cool whip, butter, cottage cheese containers, etc. Thank you for checking!



**"Host Families Needed!** The Dordt University Concert Choir is coming to Kalamazoo in March for their spring tour and need host families to take a pair (or pairs) of students for two nights: Saturday night, March 1st and Sunday night, March 2nd. They will be singing at Grace CRC on Sunday morning, so you would be responsible to feed them breakfast on Sunday morning and get them to church. They will be doing a concert downtown on Sunday evening at St. Luke's (getting there by bus) and then singing in chapel at KCHS on Monday morning, so you would need to pick them up from St. Luke's on Sunday evening and transport them to KCHS on Monday morning. Email Seth Koerner if you have questions or would like to sign up to host: [skoerner@kcsa.org](mailto:skoerner@kcsa.org). Thanks for helping to make this event happen!"

Do you enjoy doing puzzles? It's great for hand dexterity and eye coordination, plus its 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.



**Classis Kalamazoo** is looking for volunteers with a finance/accounting background to perform the annual review of its financial records to continue its long history of stewardship and integrity. For more information contact Dale Walvort, Classis Treasurer, at [dwalvort@yahoo.com](mailto:dwalvort@yahoo.com).

**Kalamazoo Loaves and Fishes:** A grocery cart is located in the Gym/Fellowship Hall to collect items. KLF serves over 800 people each day through our pantry network, home delivery program, and mobile food distributions. Food wish list: Cereal, canned soups and stews, meals in a box (like hamburger helper), shelf stable almond or rice milk, baking mixes, protein drinks, canned meat, shelf-sable tortillas, granola or cereal bars, microwavable food, kid-friendly snacks. Thank you!



Family Faith Formation Tip

For it is by  
grace  
you have been  
saved  
through faith,  
and this is not  
from yourselves,  
it is the  
gift  
of God.

Think about a favorite Bible verse. Look it up in translations that are different from what you normally use. What do you notice in a new way? What stands out to you? Rewrite the verse in your own words or draw a picture of what this verse means to you. Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.org/Thrive)

Ephesians 2:8

ReFrame Ministries

**Kids Corner: Show Respect** - Check out this week's kids' devotion "Show Respect" at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). One way to be kind and respectful is to remind yourself that God made other people in his image (Genesis 1:27). 1 Peter 5:5 tells us to obey our elders and "be humble toward everyone else." Check out all the great content at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net), like KC's Church in Action Comic Book.

**Groundwork: Paul's First Journey:** The Gospel Spreads and the Church Grows - After Jesus ascends to heaven and the Holy Spirit comes at Pentecost, the apostles start teaching and spreading the good news of salvation. Join Groundwork as we study the Apostle Paul's first missionary journey in Acts 13-14 and let his teaching and experiences instruct our faith today. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Alternatives of Kalamazoo:** A baby basinet is available in the gym/fellowship hall for donations to support Alternatives Pregnancy Care Center of Kalamazoo. Its end of season clearance sales anywhere from 30% to 75% on clothing for the kiddos. Lets fill the bassinet full of toddler items. They will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for all your generous giving.

