

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
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

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

Volunteer Schedule...

COFFEE SERVERS:
March 2 & 9 Dave & Kathy VanderMeer/Mike & Cheri Gavin
March 16 & 23 Bob & Mary Deters/Bob & Barb Razenberg

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:
Mar. 2 - Ian Tuin
Mar. 9 - Chris VandenBerg
Mar. 16 - Paul Booden

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:
3/2 - Sue Florian & John Bruinwood
3/9 - Lisa & Olivia Bosch
3/16 - Joy Knurr & Nancy VandenBerg

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				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 First Sunday in Lent 10 am Pastor Simon "The Lord's Prayer: Our Sworn Enemies" Matthew 5:9-13, Ephesians 6:10-18 Spring Forward	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
16 10 am Pastor Simon "The Lord's Prayer: For Yours is the Glory" Matthew 5:9-13, 1 Chronicles 29:10-13	17	18 9:30 Coffee Break 3:30 Shep. Elders	19 10 am Adult Bible Study	20 9:30 GROW Group	21	22 7:45 Mobile Food Initiative 

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HAPPENINGS

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What's up in Worship

The Lord's Prayer: One of the great privileges of every Christ follower is prayer. In this series we will examine each of the petitions in the Lord's Prayer from Matthew 6:9-13 as an opportunity for us to grow in prayer. This week's message is from Matthew 6:9-13, Matthew 18:21-35, **"The Lord's Prayer: To Be Forgiven and to Forgive"**. Confession: Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 51, Q & A 126.

Church Calendar for March 2-8:

Sunday	10:00	Worship Service, Communion
Tuesday	9:30	Coffee Break
Wednesday	8:00 10:00	Men's Bible Study Adult Bible Study
Thursday	9:30	GROW Group
Saturday	5-7:30	Soup Supper Fundraiser

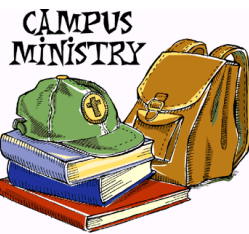
Thank you to our church family for all the prayers, cards & expressions of sympathy after the passing of our husband/father Dick VanDam. Thank you Pastor Simon for all the phone calls and especially the visits and prayers in his final days. A special thank you to everyone who helped set up, serve the meal & cleaned up after the funeral. We truly feel blessed to be part of this church family.
Nadine VanDam
Fred & Pam Gould

No birthdays or anniversaries this week, take some time and pray for the families listed before and after you in our church directory.

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.

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.

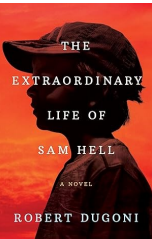


Our next International Student Luncheon is planned for March 13. Sign up sheets and pans are on the table by the office. Thank you.



Tuesday ~ 9:30 Ladies Coffee Break
Wednesday ~ 8:00 am Men’s Bible Study
Wednesday ~ 10:00 Adult Bible Study
Thursday ~ 9:30 GROW Group

Book Club: The book club will be meeting Tuesday, March 25, at 10:00 am to discuss the book "The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell" by Robert Dugoni. Born with ocular albinism Sam Hill is called "Devil Boy" or "Sam Hell" by his classmates. Buoyed by his mother's faith, his father's practical wisdom, and his two misfit friends Sam perseveres.



Offering Schedule

- 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
- Mar. 23 General Fund & Building Fund
Loose change: Kal. Gospel Ministries

Offerings (deposited for February 23, 2025)

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$500.00
- Building Fund ~ \$200.00
- Christian Ed Assistance ~ \$50.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$2,710.00
- General Fund ~ \$6,038.00
- Growing Hope Globally ~ \$510.00
- Initial offering ~ \$5.00
- Memorial Fund ~ \$2,040.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$200.00
- Resonate Global Mission ~ \$290.00



Adopt Daisy and Maisy! There are still some openings on the Growing Hope poster located 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. Check it out today.



The **Dordt University Concert Choir** is coming to Kalamazoo this Sunday for their spring tour. They will be singing at Grace CRC on Sunday morning, March 2 at 9:30, and then they will be doing a concert downtown on Sunday evening at 6:00 at St. Luke's.

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.



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!

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.



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

“Dust you are and to dust you will return” (Genesis 3:19, NIV). This week marks the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday. While it might seem morbid to focus intentionally on our mortality, we can use this time to remember our humanity. We live with bodies and minds that not only are fearfully and wonderfully made but will also age and begin to fail us. Give thanks to God for the gift of your body, and ask him to help you be mindful of its limits. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: The Price of Lies - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion “The Price of Lies” at www.kidscorner.net. Have you ever told a fib? Believe it or not, lies that seem small can hurt others, and we eventually have to pay the cost for them. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC’s Lent and Easter Collection.

Groundwork: The Jerusalem Council: The Church Resolves Division and Seeks Unity - As the church grew, it experienced confusion and disagreement while welcoming new Gentile believers. Join Groundwork as we explore Acts 15:1-38 to learn from the early church about resolving division and seeking unity by gathering, listening, and relying on the guidance of the Holy Spirit to resolve their division and seek unity. 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.

