#### HERITAGE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH, KALAMAZOO HERITAGECRC.ORG

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

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** Wednesday at noon. Call, leave a note, or e-mail to churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

Summer OFFICE HOURS: Wednesday: 8:30 am—1:30 pm Thursday: 8:30 am—12:30 pm

#### **Volunteer Schedule...**

NURSERY: February 5: Dorothy Broekhuizen & Kim Bruinwood

February 12: Sue Mejeur & Pam Gould

COFFEE SERVERS: Feb 5/12: Glen & Ruth Wagner, Ken & Ellen Byle, Ken & Dorothy Feb 19/26: Dave & Carol Bonselaar, Sue Mejeur, Fred & Pam Gould

HEARTLAND HEALTHCARE CENTER

(Services begin at 3:30 pm & last approximately 30 minutes)

February 5: Glen Wagner

**February 12**: Herm Vanders & Marilyn Stremler

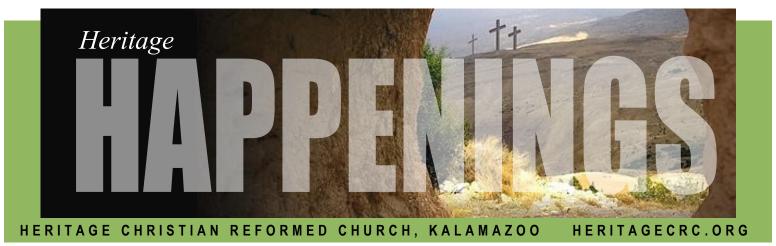
PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

**SERVICE MINISTRY: February**: Judy Wierienga

**MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: February 5:** Lisa Durian February 12: Ferrel Stremler

**PM**: Gary Broekhuizen

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Sun  5 COMMUNION 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Mission Impossible?" Esther 5  5 pm Pastor Simon "The Order of Salvation: Conversion" Acts 2:36-41	Mon 6	Tue 7 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	Wed 8	Thu 9 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	<b>Fri</b> 10	Sat 11
9:30 am Pastor Simon  "Sleepless in Susa" Esther 6  5 pm Pastor Simon  "The Order of Salvation: Justification" Romans 3:21-28	13	Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am  Administration Board Meeting 7 pm	P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30– 11 am	17	18
9:30 am Pastor Simon "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?" Esther 7  5 pm Rev. A.J. Gretz	20	Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Shepherding Elders 3 pm	22	G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	24	Mobile Food Initiative Prairie Ridge Elementary 8 am set up 9 am food drop
9:30 am Pastor Simon  "May the Best Edict Win"  Esther 8  5 pm Pastor Simon  "The Order of Salvation:  Adoption"  Galatians 3:26-4:7	27	Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	<b>1</b> Men's Bible Fellowship 8 am	G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	3	4



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# **February 5, 2017**

# What's up in Worship

## The Book of Esther: God's **Silent Sovereignty**

Where is God in the midst of chaos and uncertainty? Is He there? Does He care? We often ask these questions when we encounter events that seem to contradict what we believe about God. In the book of Esther, an allpowerful, perfect and ever-present God seems hidden yet the message is timeless; God's sovereignty calls people in every age to Himself even when we do not know what He is up to in this world. Today Pastor Simon continues a sermon series on the book of Esther.

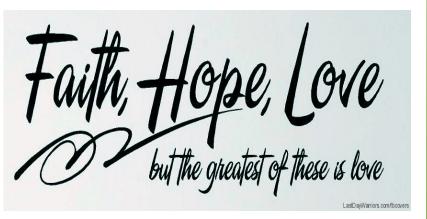
## **Celebrations**

### **Birthdays**

Teagan Miller ~ February 9 Gretchen Vanders ~ February 10 Rich VanMaaren ~ February 10 Dan VanderBerg ~ February 11

#### **Anniversaries**

Will & Gert Nieboer ~ February 6 ~ 58 years!



# **Ministry**

Coffee Break Ladies are again collecting winter coats, hats & mittens for all ages. A box for this purpose is in the Narthex. Please remember those who are without these necessities during the cold winter months. Thank you.





The Book Club will not be meeting in February, 2017. See you in March!

## Thank you

Thank you for all the prayers that were sent heavenward by all the family of Heritage CRC for Rod & Sandie Luchies and their family. Rod & Sandie were both at peace with his home going and I am sure Rodney has found his place singing in the choir of angels. I appreciate all the concern that everyone has for each other at Heritage.

Barb Van Dalen

A big thank you to all who helped make another International Student Luncheon a success this past week at Western Michigan University. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

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A **REVSIED** Birthday/Anniversary February calendar is now available at the Information Center for your use.



**FIVE MINUTES** - this is all it takes to make a positive or negative impression on guests to our worship services. Those first impressions often determine if guests will return. Because those first five minutes

are so important, we want to do everything we can to make sure our guests are sought out, greeted and made to feel welcome.

We are asking **ALL** our members to take one simple step to help make sure our guests feel welcome. For the **first five minutes** after each worship service is dismissed, we want you to look for guests to greet. After five minutes, everyone is free to visit with whomever they wish and conduct any "church business."

This is the most important thing we can do to be seen as a friendly and warm congregation. Will you invest five minutes in eternity?



## **Missions & Missionaires...**

Loaves & Fishes wish list:

February: Rice (bag or box)

Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall

#### **Emails or Letters to Missionaries...**

Ken & Ellen Byle ~ Jerry An Bill & Kathy Cobern ~ David Heath Bonnie Colvin ~ Joseph Mutebi

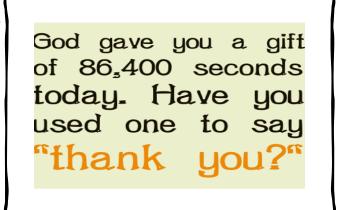
If you do not have a copy of our missionaries' email addresses, both their most current newsletter and email addresses are on the Missionary table next to the mailboxes

## **Offering Schedule**

Feb 5	General Fund: Christian Education
	Loose Change: World Renew
Feb 12	General Fund: Ministry Shares
	Loose Change: Wycliffe
Feb 19	General Fund: Faith Promise
	Loose Change: Benevolence Fund
Feb 26	General Fund: Building Fund
	Loose Change: Park Village Pines

## **Offerings** (for January 29)

Adopt a cow ~ \$25.00
Building Fund ~ \$55.00
Christian Education Assistance ~ \$25.00
Christian School International ~ \$165.00
Faith Promise ~ \$120.00
General Fund ~ \$2,069.00
Initial offering ~ \$10.00
Ministry Shares ~ \$75.00
Rehoboth Christian School ~ \$10.00



## **Requested Announcements**

Kalamazoo Christian Schools has an open position for a Campaign and Advancement Coordinator. For a job description and application, please contact Connie VanDerSlik, 269-381-2044 ext. 110 or by email cvanderslik@kcsa.org. Please include your resume with the application. We will accept applications until February 8, 2017.

**Estate Planning Made Easy** – Really! Please RSVP for this important estate planning event. Thursday, February 9 from 7:00 -8:00 pm at the Kalamazoo Country Club. What will come of your kids, and your financial affairs, when you die? Stewardship includes protecting your family and assets through your estate or trust, and if you choose provisions for a planned gift. As a service to you from the Kalamazoo Christian School Foundation we are providing an estate planning seminar for you. Why a last will and testament, a trust? What is an estate plan? Why a health care power of attorney and a general durable power of attorney? What do legal terms in those documents mean? This is a free hour of time with an expert in the legal field, Attorney Michelle Marquardt. She is recognized by Best Lawyers as the 2017 Lawyer of the Year, Trust and Estates. Reservations are required. If you would like to attend this event, have nay guestions, or would like more information, please contact Larry Stehouwer at 269-760-4711 or lstehouwer@kcsa.org.

Kalamazoo Gospel Mission is looking for a goal oriented, ministry focused men's long term program supervisor who lives working as a team. This is a full time job opportunity working with clients who are seeking addiction, job skill, and education assistance. This lead supervisor will have primary responsibilities of relationship discipleship and case management along with responsibilities in teaching. Primarily evening hours (2pm-10pm). Must have a HS diploma – an associates in a human services field is desired. This is a nicotine free job opportunity. If you feel you are the right person for this job please send your resume to: Wanda J. Best/VP of Administration vpadmin@kzoogospel.org or go to our web page at www.kzoogospel.org and fill out our general application.

### Food Resource Bank...

- Are you in the *moo*d to help?
- Together, we can change the world.
- ♦ Won't you help feed Daisy this year through Food Resource Bank? The cost is \$40/week or \$160/month.
- Sign up today at the display in the Narthex if you are able to contribute to this vital ministry.
- Thank you for joining us in imagining a world without hunger, and working to make it happen. We are inspired

by all that you have done and continue to do.



Inspire 2017 is a new kind of CRC event created to inspire, renew, energize, and ignite ministry leaders like you. Choose from over 75 ministry workshops, listen to dynamic keynote speakers, and join people from more than 1,000

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CRC congregations for a conference like no other! Itr is taking place August 3-5 in Detroit, Michigan. Check out the poster displayed by the church office and the "invites" on the table in the Narthex for more information or register now at crcna.org/Inspire2017.

The 97<sup>th</sup> annual Calvin/ Hope Rivalry basketball game happens again on Saturday, February 18! Join your friends to cheer on the Knights and the Flying Dutchmen via remote broadcast at Erbellis, 6214 Stadium Dr, Kalamazoo from 3-5. Food



and beverage will be available to purchase. Alumni and friends from both colleges are welcome! Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:catenbri@gmail.com">catenbri@gmail.com</a>, call 269-760-2282, or join the Facebook event "The Rivalry – Kalamazoo!"