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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: January 22: Barb Razenberg & Gert Nieboer
January 29: Ruth Mather & Ruth Wagner

COFFEE SERVERS: Jan 22/29: John & Kim Bruinwood, Donna Penning, Judy Wieringa
February 5/12: Glen & Ruth Wagner, Ken & Ellen Byle, Ken & Dorothy VanDenBerg


HEARTLAND HEALTHCARE CENTER
(Services begin at 3:30 pm & last approximately 30 minutes)
January 22: Harold Triezenberg
January 29: Bill Vroegop & Judy Wieringa

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: January: Gretchen Vanders

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: January 22: Zach Razenberg January 29: Ferrel Stremler
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
22 9:30 am Pastor Simon “When the Empire Strikes Back” Esther 3 5 pm Mr. Ron Lugten “Following Jesus” John 1:29-42	23	24 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Council 7 pm	25 Book Club 2-4 pm	26 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	27	28 Mobile Food Initiative Prairie Ridge Elem 8 am set up 9 am food drop
29 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Identity Crisis” Esther 4 5 pm Pastor Simon “The Order of Salvation: Regeneration” John 3:1-8; Acts 16:11-15	30	31 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	1 Men’s Bible Fellowship 8 am 	2 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am International Student Luncheon For WMU	3	4
5 COMMUNION 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Mission Impossible?” Esther 5 5 pm Pastor Simon “The Order of Salvation: Conversion” Acts 2:36-41	6	7 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	8	9 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	10	11
12 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Sleepless in Susa” Esther 6 5 pm Pastor Simon “The Order of Salvation: Justification” Romans 3:21-28	13	14 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Administration Board Meeting 7 pm	15 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	16 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30– 11 am	17	18



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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 all-powerful, 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
Doc Brown ~ January 23
Don Rutgers ~ January 23 ~ 92 years young!
Harold Triezenberg ~ January 23
Makayla Brown ~ January 26

Anniversaries
Harold & Phyllis Triezenberg ~ January 22 ~ 52 years!
Don & Jan Rutgers ~ January 28 ~ 68 years!

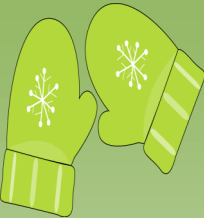
Schedule Change...

Until further notice,
Sue’s office hours will be
Thursdays from 8:30 am~
1 pm and Fridays from
8:30 am to 12:30 pm.
Thank you.



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.



Book Club meets again on Wednesday, January 25 at 2 pm. We will discuss the book “A Man Called Ove” by Fredrik Backman.

Men’s Bible Fellowship meets again on Wednesday, February 1 at 8 am. See you there!

Thank you

Thank you to my Heritage CRC family for remembering me with the many Christmas cards, cookies and plant. It was a happy time receiving, opening and reading the cards. It was a blessing for me.
Ruth Baas

Thank you to my church family for the Christmas cards and notes of encouragement. It was such a blessing to me.
John Razenberg

Thank you for your prayers during my time of illness. The cards sent were appreciated. We welcome your visits any time.
Della Porter

International Student Luncheon is here again! If you can help provide lunch for the international students at Western Michigan University on Thursday, February 2, please sign up on the table in the Narthex. Salads, drinks, fruit, and casseroles are needed! Please have all items to church no later than 10:30 am on that Thursday, February 2. Thank you! (Disposable pans with lids are available on the table by sign up sheets for your use.)



From the Resource Committee: If you notice something that needs repair in the church building or have a concern related to the facilities, please drop a note in the mailbox by the office door or contact Dave Bonselaar so we can take care of them.

Way to go, OAC! At the January meeting of representatives of Oshtemo Area Churches the following summary was shared of our work together in 2016. I pass it along as a way of saying thank you for the support and work of Heritage CRC in this community outreach.

Mobile Food Initiative – Through this monthly event (4th Saturday of the month) 4,400 people were served with a 4-day supply of fresh, nutritious food. Over the 11 events, 80,000 pounds of food was given at Prairie Ridge Elementary School in partnership with Loaves and Fishes.

Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry – Located at Voyage Church, through this Loaves and Fishes pantry 2,865 people were served (from 810 families). The pantry was open 85 days in 2016.

OAC Food Pantry – This pantry served 300 people with personal hygiene items, household items, and extra food assistance, supplied entirely by OAC.

Other highlights for 2016 include receiving the CHAMPS award from Communities in Schools, being interviewed on the Lori Moore show and the Back to School Bash at the end of August.

Missions & Missionaires...

Loaves & Fishes wish list:
January: Beef Stew
Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall

Emails or Letters to Missionaries...

Dave & Carole Bickle ~ David Heath
Dave & Carol Bonselaar ~ Joseph Mutebi
Paul & Marge Booden ~ Jairo Solano
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

Jan 22	General Fund: Building Fund Loose Change: Rehoboth
Jan 29	General Fund: Loose Change: Christian Sch Intern
Feb 5	General Fund: Christian Education Loose Change: World Renew
Feb 12	General Fund: Ministry Shares Loose Change: Wycliffe

Offerings (for January 15)
Benevolence Fund ~ \$288.00
Christian Education Assistance ~ \$20.00
Faith Promise ~ \$475.00
General Fund ~ \$3,399.00
Initial offering ~ \$15.00
Ministry Shares ~ \$60.00

Mobile Food Initiative
this Saturday,
January 28 at
Prairie Ridge
Elementary.

8 am set up
9 am food drop
See you there!



Requested Announcements

Kalamazoo Christian Schools will host a Kindergarten information night on Thursday, January 26 at 7 PM at the 12th Street campus, 3800 S. 12th Street. You will have an opportunity to see the classrooms and visit with the teachers.



If you know anyone who is interested in a Christ centered education for their child, please invite them to come and hear all about our school. Preschool information is also available. If you have questions, please call the elementary at 269-544-2332. No RSVP needed.

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday...Everyone is invited to attend the annual Roe v. Wade Memorial Service. It will be held on Sunday, January 22, 2017 between 3-3:30 pm. We will gather at the band shell in Bronson Park. We are all welcome to return to the Crowley Center at St. Augustine's school for refreshments. New this year: We will be collecting boxes of diapers and baby wipes that will be donated to Caring Network and Alternatives of Kalamazoo. The weather report shows no snow!!! but there is the possibility of rain. Temperatures should be in the low 50s. Let's make this memorial service a success. We show our strength by our numbers. So, bring those diapers...bring that umbrella...and bring your family. Hope to see you there.



Food Resource Bank...

- ♦ Are you in the *mood* 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.



Snapshots at jasonlove.com



"It's good, Timmy, but it's not refrigerator good."