

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:

Jan. 18 & 25 Bob & Mary Deters, Bob & Barb Razenberg
Feb. 1 & 8 Dorothy Broekhuizen, Rose Dame, Glen & Ruth Wagner

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: hccrcprayer@gmail.com

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

Districts	Elder	Deacon
A-M	Glen Wagner	Teri Wagner
N-Z	Rick Lingbeek	Roger Selles

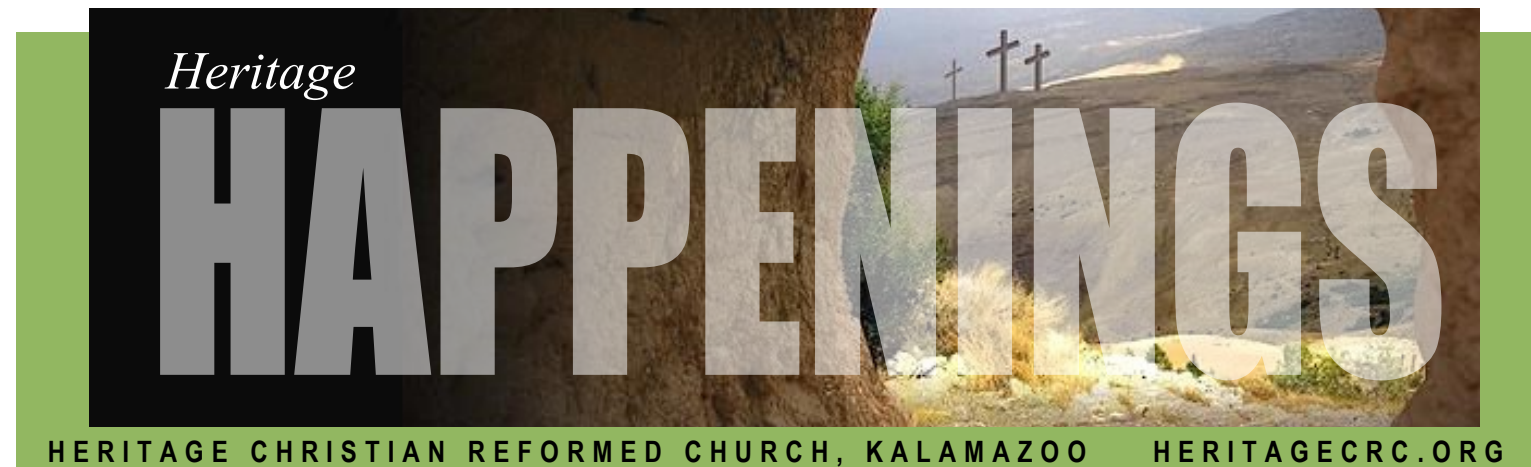
MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

Jan 25 - Lisa Durian
Feb. 1 - Dorothy Broekhuizen
Feb. 8 - Chris Vandenberg
Feb. 15 - Paul Booden

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

1/25 - Cheryl Koning & Nancy Vandenberg
2/1 - Lisa & Olivia Bosch
2/8 - Mary Deters & Joyce Truscott
2/15 - Barb Razenberg & Wendy Rose

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				22	23	24 Mobile Food Initiative Cancelled
25 10 am Pastor Simon "To See the One Who Sees Me" Genesis 16:1-15	26	27 10 am Book Club 6:30 Council	28 10 am Adult Bible Study	29 9:30 GROW Group 11 am International Student Luncheon	30	31
1 Communion 10 am Pastor Simon "The Sign of the Covenant" Genesis 17:1-27 11:15 Church Potluck	2	3 9:30 Coffee Break	4 8 am Men's Bible Study 10 am Adult Bible Study	5 9:30 GROW Group	6	7
8 10 am Pastor Simon "Judgement: Sodom and Gomorrah" Genesis 18:1-19:38	9	10 7 pm Admin Board	11 10 am Adult Bible Study	12 9:30 GROW Group	13	14

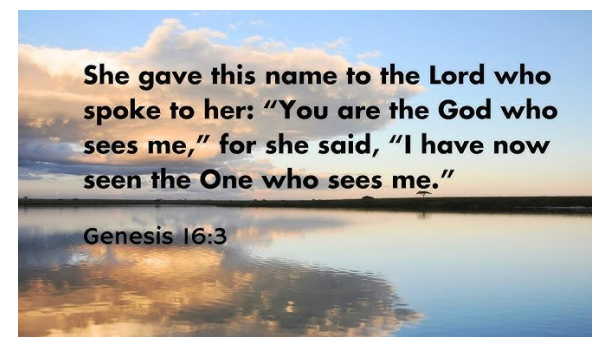


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What's up in Worship

The Journey of Faith: The Life of Abraham ~ In Genesis 15:6 we read: "Abraham believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness." Join us as we consider how God shows us through Abraham what it means to have a life of faith! This week's sermon is titled "To See the One Who Sees Me", based on Genesis 16:1-15.



Our next church potluck will be February 1 after the morning worship service. Please bring a dish to pass if you are able. Tableware and drinks will be provided. Come for a great food and wonderful fellowship!

Celebrations...

Birthdays...
Trudy Oele ~ January 30



Anniversaries...
Jake & June Scheffers ~ January 28
Nick & Melissa Piontek ~ January 29
Mike & Cheri Gavin ~ January 31



Church Calendar for January 25-31:

- Sunday 10:00 Worship Service
- Tuesday 10:00 Book Club
6:30 Council
- Wednesday 10:00 Adult Bible Study
- Thursday 9:30 GROW Group

Please update your address for Sharon VanKalker
Blueberry Hill Assisted Living
99 Walker St., Room 123
Lawton, MI 49065





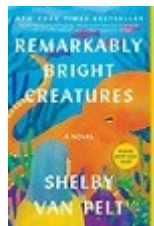
The next International Student Luncheon is on Thursday, January 29. Sign up sheets are on the table by the office along with foil pans. Sign up today! Thank you!



As believers, it is imperative that we know what it is that we believe by studying the Word of God and then equally important that we know what God expects us to be and do. Starting Wednesday, January 28th and for 6 weeks (10:00 am in the Council Room) we will look at the virtues that carry us into the desire to know God's Word and practice a Christian Lifestyle. God reminds us that for those whom He has called, He commissions to do His work, then empowers them so they may carry it out. Come and learn what virtues and values come by the Holy Spirit and how to foster them in your Christian Walk.



The first book club of 2026 meets on Tuesday January 27 at 10:00. Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt tells the story of an elderly woman who befriends an intelligent octopus at the aquarium where she cleans. Her path crosses with Cameron, a man seeking his estranged father. Their lives intertwine revealing deep truths about grief, family and connection.



Question of the Day...

How many members still have the church cookbook that the church choir put together in the 80's to raise money for choir robes?

Offering Schedule

- Jan. 18 General Fund
Loose Change: Kal. Christian Schools
- Jan. 25 General Fund
Loose Change: World Renew
- Feb. 1 General Fund
Loose Change: Kal. Valley Gleaners
- Feb. 8 General Fund
Loose Change: Christian Schools International

Offerings

Deposited for January 18, 2026

- Benevolence Funds ~ \$2,591.00
- Building Fund ~ \$730.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$45.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$1,305.00
- General Fund ~ \$6,572.00
- Initial offering ~ \$15.00
- Kalamazoo Christian ~ \$246.00
- Luke Society ~ \$100.00
- Memorial Fund ~ \$655.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$300.00
- Rental Income ~ \$1,750.00



A big thank you to all who were able to donate to our annual winter wear collection for KGM. They are always so appreciative for our donations each year! While our church may be small, our hearts are big! Thank you, Joyce & Kathy.

Dear Friends at Heritage CRC, Thank you for your hearts for God which overflow and bless Kalamazoo Valley Gleaners. Your gifts are a great blessing and encouragement. Blessings from the KVG Board of Directors.



Severe Weather Cancellation: In the event of severe weather and Sunday services are cancelled, closing information will be posted on Channel 3 WWMT at least 1 hour prior to the worship service start time. You can also sign up to receive text or email alerts from Channel 3. Go to WWMT website, click on weather, then closings. Then sign up to receive texts on your phone or email alerts for Heritage Christian Reformed Church.



Items needed at Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries.

- ~New or gently used, clean twin sheets. Adult/kids
 - ~New or gently used full sheets
 - ~New or gently used, clean bath towels
 - ~Underwear, many have only a pair for a week! Basic styles, adult sizes, men and women, Med-2XL.
- There is a collection box in the narthex. On the bulletin board in the fellowship hall there is full list of other needed items.

Adopt Daisy and Maisy! Over the past 19 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!

As we look to a new year of support for Growing Hope Globally, be on the look out for the "Adopt-a-Cow" poster. This will provide an opportunity for members to adopt Daisy and Maisy for \$60/week or \$255/month in 2026. Every dollar donated is typically matched 3-1 through the Dairy Project. Over the past 19 years just over \$500,000 has been raised! More details will come soon as well as information on the World Renew programs we support in Kenya and Uganda.



Family Faith Formation Tip

The faith practice of remembering provides a way to center our attention on what God has done in our lives as a reminder that God is with us here and now. As the month of January draws to a close, share your favorite memory from the past month or past year with your family members or friends, recognizing God's care and love for you in that moment. For more info on the faith practice of remembering, see crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject/ remembering. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: Gentleness: It's Your Move - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Gentleness: It's Your Move," at www.kidscorner.net. Discover the secret power of gentleness—a strength that helps you stay kind, calm, and caring even when things get tough. Like carefully moving a Jenga® block, your gentle words and actions can help keep hearts standing strong! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

Groundwork: Saved by Grace Alone. Let Your Works Respond Accordingly. - The apostle Paul wrote a lot about salvation and the Christian life. Study Galatians 2:19-21, Galatians 3:1-3, Galatians 5:13-25, Romans 8:1-4, and Colossians 3:12-14 with Groundwork to gain clarity from his teaching on how we walk in step with the Spirit and grow in Christlikeness while keeping grace and Christ's work on the cross at the center of salvation. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.