HERITAGE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH, KALAMAZOO HERITAGECRC.ORG

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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:

Becky Smith, Linda DeLoof, Linda VanGoeye, Arnie K Jan. 21 & 28 Cameron & Helen Brown/ Sue & Jonathan Mejeur Feb. 4 & 11

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

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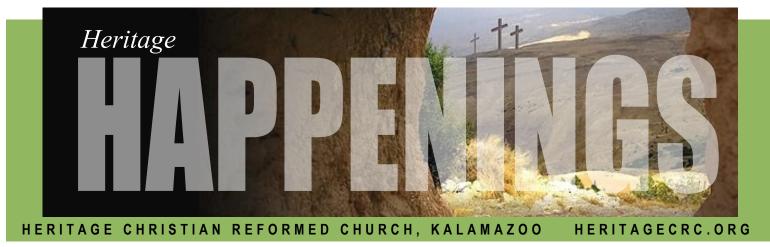
SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

Jan. 28 - Lisa Durian Feb. 4 - Ian Tuin Feb. 11 - LillieAnn Durian Feb. 18 - Paul Booden

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS: 1/28 - Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur 2/4 - Mary Deters & Cheri Gavin 2/11 - Barb Razenberg & Joyce Truscott

2/18 - Ruth Mather & Melissa Piontek



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What's up in Worship

Better: A Journey Through Hebrews – There has always been pressure on those who belong to Jesus to deny Him and find something better. Join us in this series on the book of Hebrews as we discover its resounding message that Jesus is better than everything we might try to satisfy the deepest longing of our hearts. This week's sermon title is: "Holding Firmly to the End", based on Hebrews 3:1-19.

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The next International Student Luncheon is on Thursday, February 1. There are sign up sheets and foil pans available on the table by the office. All food needs to be at church and ready to

go by 11:00 am on February 1. Thank you!



We find the second seco Please bring a dish to pass if able. Drinks and table service will be provided. We hope to see you all there!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				25 9:30 GROW Group	26	27 7:45 Mobile Food Initiative
28 10:00 am Pastor Simon "Holding Firmly to the End " Hebrews 3:1-19	29	30 10 am Book Club	31 10 am Reformation Bible Study	1 9:30 GROW Group 11:00 International Student Luncheon	2	3
4 Communion Sunday 10:00 am Pastor Simon " The Promise of Rest " Hebrews 4:1-13	5	6 9:30 am Coffee Break	7 8 am Men's Bible Study 10 am Reformation Bible Study	8 9:30 GROW Group	9 9:30 am Heritage Piecemakers	10
11 10:00 am Pastor Simon " The Great High Priest " Hebrews 4:14-5:10	12	13 7 pm Admin Council	14 10 am Reformation Bible Study		16	17

January 25, 2024

Birthdays... Trudy Oele ~ January 30 Arnie Keur ~ February 1 Joy Knurr ~ February 2 Bob Razenberg ~ February 2



Anniversaries...

Jake & June Scheffers ~ January 28 Nick & Melissa Piontek ~ January 29 Mike & Cheri Gavin ~ January 30



Church Calendar for January 28-February 4:

Sunday 10:00 Worship Service

Tuesday 10:00 Book Club

Wednesday 10:00 Reformation Bible Study

Thursday 9:30 GROW Group 11:00 International Student Luncheon

Sunday 10:00 Worship Service 11:30 All Church Potluck

Book Club discussion of West with Giraffes by Linda Rutledge is rescheduled for LYNDA RUTLEDGE Tuesday January 30. See Dorothy Broekhuizen if you need the discussion questions. Please return all books by the 30th. Thank you.



Needed: Sunday Operations Manager ~

We are in search of someone willing to fill this position. A job description is available upon request. Please contact Matt Durian or Jim Bosch if you are interested or have any questions.

Adopt Daisy and her sister Maisy! Over the past 17 years, Heritage CRC has partnered with Growing Hope Globally (<u>https://</u> <u>www.growinghopeglobally.org/</u>) and two 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. In 2023, church contributions, the value of the milk produced and donations of suppliers to the dairy raised \$30,317. This money will go to support World Renew projects in Bangladesh and Cambodia. (https://worldrenew.net/).

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 her sister Maisy for \$55/week or \$235/month in 2024. Every dollar donated is typically matched 4-1 through the Dairy Project. More details about 2024 will come soon as well as information on the World Renew programs we support.



Offering Schedule

- Jan. 28 General Fund & Building Fund Loose Change: World Renew
- Feb. 4 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance Loose Change: Kalamazoo Valley Gleaners
- Feb. 11 General Fund & Ministry Shares Loose Change: Christian Schools
 - International
- Feb. 18 General Fund & Building Fund Loose Change: Kal. Loaves & Fishes

Offerings (deposited for January 21, 2024)

Building Fund ~ \$1,070.00 Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$45.00 Faith Promise ~ \$405.00 General Fund ~ \$7,780.00 Growing Hope Globally ~ \$40.00 Initial Offering ~ \$25.00 Kalamazoo Christian ~ \$106.00 Ministry Shares ~ \$234.00

Mobile Food Initiative is Saturday, January 27.

7:45 AM at Heritage CRC.

**Please let the office know if you can help out. See you there!



superBOWLing fundraiser for International Campus Ministry: On Friday, February 9th from 7-9pm at Revel and Roll West on Stadium Drive, we will hold a bowling fundraiser! We are asking for \$40/person (\$20/person for WMU students). People can register as teams or individuals who will be put into teams to compete for trophies. If people don't want to bowl or can't be there, they can also sponsor students to bowl. The best way to register is through our FB event page. Funds will be collected at the event (checks made to International Campus Ministry). Here is the Facebook link: https://fb.me/e/70gi7IINg

Awaken Conference February 2-3: Awaken

has been prayerfully planned by a multidenominational team of pastors and ministry leaders from the Kalamazoo area and will feature world class speakers and a multichurch worship team. Everyone in attendance will leave with a greater understanding of the great commission and an activation to be a part of God's story - in Kalamazoo and to the ends of the earth. This conference is for ALL CHRIST FOLLOWERS that want to learn more about the purpose that God has for us. Cost (admission) includes a Sat. lunch, and is being kept low (\$25/\$15), with scholarships available. website: https:// www.awakenconference.org/

Calling all youth and youth leaders, all of classis Kalamazoo is having a BYG (Big Youth Group) event on Sunday Feb. 4 at 3rd Christian Reformed Church from 5-6:45 PM. We will come together for a time of worship, God's word, pizza, and organized games. Any questions contact Joey DeKoekkoek - JoeyDek@yahoo.com





ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: How Can I Use the Internet Wisely? -Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. When we learn internet wisdom, we can protect ourselves online. But what we do online has to be more than that because God has called us here, too. We can do God's work, be a positive Christian presence online, and share his message by safely using the internet. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's Valentine Cards.

Family Fire - is an online community exploring Spiritled family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

Groundwork: Generosity - Giving generously of our time, money, and ourselves does not always come naturally. Join Groundwork as we study Mark 6:35-44, Titus 3:3-7, 2 Corinthians 9:6-15, and 1 Timothy 6:17-19 to discover why generosity is an important virtue for Christ's followers to cultivate, what it looks like to be generous people, and how we can nurture generosity in our everyday lives. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.