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

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:  
Thursday by 9:30 am. Call,  
leave a note, or e-mail to  
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

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

**Volunteer Schedule...**

**NURSERY**  
**March 17:** Barb Razenberg & Ginny Carlisle  
**March 24:** Ellen Byle & Tara Razenberg

**COFFEE SERVERS**  
**March 17/24:** Glen & Ruth Wagner, Herm & Gretchen Vanders, Bill & Joyce Truscott  
**March 31/April 7:** John & Kim Bruinwood, Judy Wieringa, Fred & Pam Gould


**HALLMARK LIVING**  
**(Services begin at 3:30 pm & last approximately 30 minutes)**  
**March 17:** Jim Triezenberg  
**March 24:** Dave Bickle & Judy Wieringa

**PRAYER LINE MINISTRY:** Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

**PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY:** prayerline@heritagecrc.org

**SERVICE MINISTRY:** **March:** Joy Hegelmann

**MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:** **March 17:** Paul Booden **March 24:** Ferrel Stremmler  
**PM:** Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17 <b>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 9:30 am Pastor Simon “ <b>Unconditional Election</b> ” John 10:14-18; Rom 9:10-18  5 pm Pastor Simon “ <b>The Indispensable Fatherhood of God</b> ” Matthew 6:9-16	18	19 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am  Shepherding Elders 3 pm	20 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	21 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	22	23 Mobile Food Initiative Centerpoint 8 am set up 9 am food delivery
24 <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 9:30 am Pastor Simon “ <b>Limited (Particular) Atonement</b> ” John 6:35-40, Rom 5:1-11  5 pm Rev. Mike Koetje	25	26 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am  Council Meeting 7 pm	27 Book Club 2 pm	28 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	29	30
31 <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 9:30 am Pastor Simon “ <b>Irresistible Grace</b> ” Matt 9:9-13; Rom 9:19-26 ~ <b>POTLUCK</b> ~ 5 pm Pastor Simon “ <b>First Things First</b> ” Matthew 6:9-16	1 	2	3 Men’s Bible Study 8 am  ~Sue on Vacation~	4	5	6
7 <b>COMMUNION FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 9:30 am Pastor Simon “ <b>Perseverance of the Saints</b> ” John 3:16-21, Rom 8:31-36  5 pm Pastor Simon “ <b>The Kingdom &amp; the King</b> ” Matthew 6:9-16	8	9 Admin Board Meeting 3:30 pm	10	11 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	12	13



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**What’s up in Worship**



**But For the Grace of God:** The Christian faith is, at its heart, “good news” because the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are at the heart of the Christian gospel. Central to the story is the good news that God saves sinners like you and me. This Lenten Season we will discover again the heart of the gospel as we consider what is known as the ‘five points of Calvinism’ from the Canons of Dort, a wonderful summary of the good news that the entire process of redemption is God’s work.



**Holy Week Schedule**  
Palm Sunday, April 14 ~ we relive the passion and suffering of Jesus leading up to His resurrection.

Good Friday, April 19 at 7 pm as we commemorate the suffering, crucifixion and death of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for our sins.

Be sure to return on Easter Sunday morning, April 21 at 9:30 am as we celebrate our risen Savior and His victory over sin and death!

Please remember there is no evening worship on Easter Sunday, April 21.

**Celebrations**

**Birthdays...**

Rick Lingbeek ~ March 18  
Dean Troyer ~ March 18



**Ministry**

**Book Club** meets again on Wednesday, March 27 at 2 pm to discuss the book, “Beneath a Scarlet Sky” by Mark Sullivan. See you there!

**Men’s Bible study** meets again on Wednesday, May 3 at 8 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will study lesson 7 in our Bible study book.



**Change in office hours:**  
Sue will be working on Tuesday, March 26th instead of Thursday, March 28th and will be out of the office April 3 and 4. There will be no newsletter Sunday, April 7 so please plan your announcements accordingly. Thank you.

**P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting** is this Wednesday at 7 pm. Please join us as we bring our adorations and requests before our Heavenly Father.

**It’s a Potluck!**  
Our next potluck will be on Sunday, March 31st immediately following the morning worship. If you are willing and able, please bring a dish to share. Drinks and table service will be provided.





Ministry continued...

**Nominations for Elder and Deacon:** Shortly, it will once again be time to give our thanks for those who have served the Lord and His Church so faithfully and elect members to serve on the Council as either an elder or deacon. The deadline for submitting nominations is next Sunday, March 24. As we begin this process please consider the following requests:

- 1.) Pray the Holy Spirit will raise up the nominees we will need for the office of administrative elder (1), administrative deacon (1), shepherding elder (2), and shepherding deacon (1).
- 2.) Use the form available at the Information Center and submit to Jerry Oele, Council Clerk, the names of those you believe are qualified and gifted to be called to serve in either office. Prior to nominating an individual, please ask them if they are willing to serve.

In celebration of the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, you are invited to place an Easter flower (Lily, Daffodil, Hyacinth, or Tulip) in the sanctuary in memory of those who have left their earthly home to be with Christ in Heaven.

A new sign up form can be found in your mailbox this morning (with extras at the Information Center) along with an "Easter Flower" envelope. Please return your completed form, with payment, in the marked envelope and drop in the basket on the table in the Narthex (*not the offering plate*).



Easter Flowers

Missions & Missionaries...

**Loaves & Fishes wish list:**  
**March:** Canned Fruit  
*Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall*

Emails or Letters to Missionaries...

Herm & Gretchen Vanders ~ Jerry An  
Betty Visser ~ Van Ankum Family  
Rich Visser ~ Kathleen Lauder  
*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

- March 17: General Fund: Faith Promise  
Loose Change: Rose Arbor
- March 24: General Fund: Building Fund  
Loose Change: Resonate Global Miss
- March 31: General Fund  
Loose Change: Kzoo Christian Schools
- April 7: General Fund: Christian Ed Assistance  
Loose Change: Trinity Chr College

Offerings (deposited for March 10)

- Adopt a Cow ~ \$140.00
- Building Fund ~ \$150.00
- Christian Education Assistance ~ \$125.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$170.00
- General Fund ~ \$2,854.00
- Kuyper College ~ \$199.31
- Ministry Shares ~ \$400.00

Mobile Food Initiative is *this Saturday, March 23* at Centerpoint Church.

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

Requested Announcements...

**Alternatives of Kalamazoo:** Life Is Good Live and Silent Auction is Friday, March 22 from 6-9 pm at Westwood CRC (620 Northampton Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49006). Check out their website for items up for action—[www.alternativescc.org](http://www.alternativescc.org).



Family Faith Formation Tip

Lent is a time of self-examination. In your family time, ask some of these questions: Did I love people today like Jesus would love them? Did I do things I wish I hadn't done, or were there things I should have done that I didn't? Pray together about those things.

More from Family Faith Formation...

For many Christian Parents and caregivers, the idea of helping children grow in faith is intimidating. We ask ourselves questions like these: "What if I mess up and teach them something wrong?" "How can I do this when my own faith is wavering?" or "I didn't grow up as a Christian. What if I don't know enough?" Before you do anything else, exhale. Family faith formation is a journey, not a destination, and growing in faith is an adventure, not a checklist. Along that journey there will be moments of discovery and joy, hard times, and times of confusion. But your guide on this adventure is none other than the Holy Spirit—so embrace the journey!

Ways to help your family grow in faith...

- Share Your Stories:** sharing faith stories with family, friends, and church members is one of the best ways to grow in faith. To get the ball rolling, ask questions like these:
  - 1) Where did you see God today?
  - 2) Tell about a time when you felt that God was really close to you.
  - 3) Tell about a turning point in your life and how God was involved.
- Grow with God's people:** God created us as people who need community. Show your kids that the body of Christ is an important part of your life by spending time with other members of your faith family as you worship, serve, learn, and have fun together.