HERITAGE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH, KALAMAZOO HERITAGECRC.ORG

Heritage CRC 2857 South 11th Street Kalamazoo, MI 49009 (just south from Stadium Drive)

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

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Thursday by 10:00 am. Call, leave a note, or e-mail to churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

OFFICE HOURS: Wednesday: 10:00 am-3:00 pm Thursday: 10:00 am—3:00 pm

Volunteer Schedule...

NURSERY: March 25: Sue Mejeur & Pam Gould March 30: Good Friday: Dorothy Broekhuizen & Ruth Wagner April 1: Gary Broekhuizen & Tara Razenberg

COFFEE SERVERS:

Mar 25: Dave & Kathy VanderMeer, Herm & Gretchen Vanders, Bonnie Colvin April 1/8: Matt & Lisa Durian, Bill & Kathy Cobern, Bill & Ruth Vroegop

HALLMARK LIVING

(Services begin at 3:30 pm & last approximately 30 minutes) March 25: Herm Vanders & Ellen Byle April 1: Jim Triezenberg

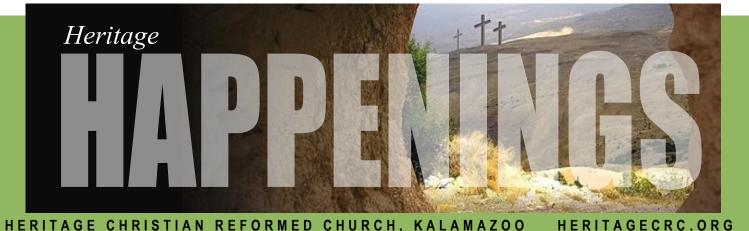
PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: March: Joy Hegelmann

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: March 25: Paul Booden April 1: Lisa Durian **PM**: Gary Broekhuizen

9:30 AM Pastor Simon "The King's Final Praise" 2 Samuel 22 5 pm Pastor Simon "Death and Hell" Luke 23:44-56		Tue 27 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Council Meeting 7 pm	Wed 28 Book Club 2 pm	G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30 –11 am (last one until fall)	Fri 30 Good Friday Worship 7 pm	Sat 31
1 COMMUNION EASER 9:30 am Pastor Simon "The Foolishness of God" 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 No Evening Worship		3 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	4 Men's Bible Fellowship 8 am	5	6	7
8 9:30 am Pastor Simon " Do You Truly Love Me?" John 21:1-19 5 pm Pastor Simon " Resurrection Relevance" 1 Corinthians 15		10 Admin Board Meeting 7 pm	11	12	13	14
15 9:30 am Pastor Simon "From Antagonist to Evangelist" Acts 9:1-19 ~ <i>Pottuck</i> ~ 5 pm Rev. Chet Carlson	16	17 Shepherding Elders 3 pm	18 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	19	20	21



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What's up in Worship



Holy week begins today ~ **Palm Sunday** ~ as we relive the passion and suffering of Jesus leading up to His resurrection.

Please join us in worship on Good Friday, March 30 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 1 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 1.

Celebrations

Birthdavs Joyce Truscott ~ March 25 Betty Vlietstra ~ March 28



Thank you

Dear Cookie Ladies we at ARC and the Vets at VA wish to send a heartfelt thank you for your cookie donations. The vets all enjoyed a cookie and a beverage with company. Makes a long day go easier. Thank you again. We do appreciate vou!

Sincerely, EHI Breege, SWMI ARC

March 25, 2018

Communion Elements: As we prepare to celebrate communion on Good Friday and Easter Sunday, please note that each tray of communion bread will now have several individually wrapped gluten-free wafers available for those with Gluten sensitivities or allergies.

Potluck!! Sunday, April 15, immediately following morning worship. Please bring a dish to pass! Tableware and drinks will be provided.

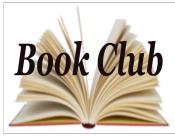
Men's Bible Fellowship meets again on Wednesday, April 4 at 8 am. See you there!



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Ministry

Book Club meets again this Wednesday, March 28 at 2 pm to discuss the book "The Day the World Came to Town—9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland" written by Jim Defede. See you there!



A Prayer for Passion Week: If you'd like a specific biblical text to serve as a prayer charter for this week, here's what I'm asking for myself and my family: that God would make the prayer of Ephesians 3:16–19 increasingly true of us this Holy Week —

"I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God."

Jesus's step-by-step journey to Golgotha is a glowing revelation of the extent of his love. He loved us "to the uttermost" (John 13:1) in going all the way to the cross for us, with every bruise, every puncture, and throb and stab of pain. And it is during Holy Week that we see most profoundly how deep the Father's love for us. "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8).

May God make this to be for you a week of being newly grounded in the love of Christ, so plainly on display from the resolve of Palm Sunday, to the ultimate sacrifice of Good Friday, to the triumph of Easter Sunday. And may you freshly know the love of Christ, in all its breadth and length and height and depth — and wonder upon wonder, be filled with all the fullness of God.

~ Adapted from an article by David Mathis, executive editor for desiringGod.org and pastor at Cities Church in Minneapolis.

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...

Bill & Kathy Cobern ~ Joseph Mutebi Bonnie Colvin ~ Jairo Solano Roger & Jackie Croy ~ Larry Spalink

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

General Fund: Building Fund
Loose Change: Kzoo Loaves/Fishes
General Fund: Christian Education
Loose Change: Resonate Global Miss
General Fund: Ministry Shares
Loose Change: Benevolence Fund
General Fund: Faith Promise
Loose Change: K-zoo Christian Sch

Offerings (deposited for March 18)

Adopt a Cow ~ \$40.00 Building Fund ~ \$135.00 Christian Education Assistance ~ \$250.00 Easter Lilies ~ \$28.00 Faith Promise ~ \$380.00 General Fund ~ \$3,734.00 Initial offering ~ \$5.00 Ministry Shares ~ \$190.00 Miscellaneous ~ \$231.25 Trinity Christian College ~ \$170.00



Requested Announcements

"A Weekend to Remember" marriage conference is coming to Kalamazoo Radisson Hotel the weekend of April 13-15. It's for married couples who want to work towards repairing and/or enriching their marriage. This is a great way to invest in your marriage! Use the code "Desert Streams" and get \$100 off the cost of registration. For more information go to: http:// familylifeministries.org/weekend-to-remember or contact Karen Weeks @ 269.910.1809.

You are invited to Grace

CRC at 7 pm on April 15 for a *Community Hymn Sing* celebrating the person and work of Jesus Christ through scripture and song. You are also invited to our evening worship service at 5 followed by a light meal.

PSalm 118:24



Are you or someone you know caring for someone with dementia or early Alzhei-

mer's ? The Shepherd's Center's Break Time Club is the program for you. This affordable respite program meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 am until 3:30 pm, giving caregivers a much needed break while providing social stimulation for the person in their care. For more information, call the Shepherd's Center office at 383-1122.

> This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice

and be glad in it

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. As the council begins the 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), shepherding elder (1), and shepherding deacon (2).

2.) Use the form (extras at Information Center) available and submit to the Clerk of Council, Jerry Oele, the names of those you believe are qualified and gifted to be called to serve in either office. Please speak to any person you nominate to determine if they would be available and willing to serve.

No further nominations will be accepted by the Council after today, March 25.



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