

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH, KALAMAZOOHERITAGECRC.ORG

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  
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OFFICE HOURS:  
Wednesday: 8:00 am —12:00 pm  
Thursday: 8:00 am —12:00 pm

Volunteer Schedule...

COFFEE SERVERS:  
Mar 30 & Apr 6 Dorothy Broekhuizen, Rose Dame/Glen & Ruth Wagner  
April 13 & 20 Bill & Joyce Truscott/Yvonne DeHollander/Ron & Sharon Stryd

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse  
PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: hcrcprayer@gmail.com  
SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

Districts

A-M  
N-Z

Elder


Glen Wagner  
Rick Lingbeek

Deacon

Cheri Gavin  
Roger Selles

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:  
Mar. 30 - Lisa Durian  
Apr. 6 - Chris VandenBerg  
Apr. 13 - Ian Tuin

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:  
3/30 - Cheryl Koning & Wendy Rose  
4/6 - Mary Deters & Joyce Truscott  
4/13 - Sue Mejeur & Michelle Koning

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				27 9:30 GROW Group	28	29
30 10 am Pastor Simon "Extravagant Love" John 12:1-11	31	1 9:30 Coffee Break 	2 8 am Men's Bible Study 10 am Adult Bible Study	3 9:30 GROW Group	4	5
6 Communion 10 am Pastor Dan Sarkipato "Overflowing Hope" Romans 15:13	7	8 7 pm Admin Council	9 10 am Adult Bible Study	10 9:30 GROW Group	11 9:30 Heritage Piecemakers	12
13 Palm Sunday 10 am Pastor Simon "From the Lips of Children and Infants" Matthew 21:1-17	14	15 9:30 Coffee Break 3:30 Shep Elders	16	17 9:30 GROW Group	18 7 pm Good Friday Service	19

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HAPPENINGS

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What’s up in Worship

This week Pastor Simon will preach on John 12:1-11, “Extravagant Love”.  
Next Sunday on April 6, please welcome to our pulpit, Pastor Dan Sarkipato as he leads us in worship and communion. His sermon will be based on Romans 15:13, “Overflowing Hope”.

thank you

Thank you to our dear church family for the prayers, cards, emails, calls and the delicious meals that have been provided! It truly is a blessing to receive your thoughts, love and prayers through the many acts of kindness we have received. We love you all so much. May God bless you all. Cheri & Mike Gavin

Thank you to everyone who attended the Soup Sup- per fundraiser on March 8 to raise support for Ian’s service trip this Summer to Kenya! Special thanks to Jane Pangle, Barb Razenberg and Dorothy Broekhuizen who made soup for the event. We are grateful for the generous donations and the encour- agement Ian received as he prepares for this oppor- tunity to serve God in Kenya. Simon, Heather & Ian

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

April 1 ~ Paul Booden  
April 4 ~ Pete Dame  
April 7 ~ Irene VanderBerg  
April 7 ~ Donnie Waterhouse  
April 9 ~ Marge Booden  
April 11 ~ Richard Visser

Anniversaries...

April 7 ~ Bob & Barb Razenberg

Church Calendar for March 30-April 13:

Sunday (30) 10:00 Worship Service

Tuesday (4/1) 10:00 Coffee Break

Wednesday(4/2) 8:00 Men’s Bible Study  
10:00 Adult Bible Study

Thursday(4/3) 9:30 GROW Group

Sunday(4/6) 10:00 Communion Service

Tuesday(4/8) 7:00 Admin Council

Wednesday(4/9) 10:00 Adult Bible Study

Thursday(4/10) 9:30 GROW Group

Friday(4/11) 9:30 Heritage Piecemakers





**Next Sunday, April 6,** is Communion Sunday. We invite all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God and confess Jesus as their Savior, to join us at the table of our Lord for Communion. Trays will be passed down each pew, if you prefer you can pick up prefilled cups in the lobby before the service. As we prepare to celebrate holy communion, Scripture calls us to examine ourselves before God. Let us therefore ask God for the proper spirit in which to celebrate the sacrament so that we may be spiritually revived, and strengthened in faith, hope, and love, through Christ our Lord.

Next week Lisa will be on vacation. Thank you.



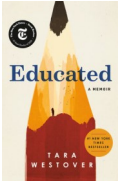
Pastor Simon will be out of the office next week. If a need arises please contact your district elder.



Our next church potluck will be Sunday, **April 13**, right after the morning worship service. If able please bring a dish to pass. Table service and drinks will be provided. Come and enjoy a wonderful time of fellowship and delicious food!



We will be reading a memoir Educated by Tara Westover for our April 22, 10:00am meeting. Tara details her journey from an isolated Mormon life to completing a PhD program in History at Cambridge. She started college at 17 with no formal education. See Dorothy Broekhuizen for a book or questions.



**Offering Schedule**

- Mar. 30 General Fund  
Loose change: Wycliffe
- April 6 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance  
Loose Change: Trinity Christian College
- April 13 General Fund & Ministry Shares  
Loose Change: International Campus Ministry
- April 20 General Fund & Faith Promise  
Loose Change: Benevolence Fund

**Offerings (deposited for March 23, 2025)**

- Building Fund ~ \$175.00
- Christian Ed Assistance ~ \$15.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$65.00
- General Fund ~ \$2,836.00
- Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries ~ \$316.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$125.00

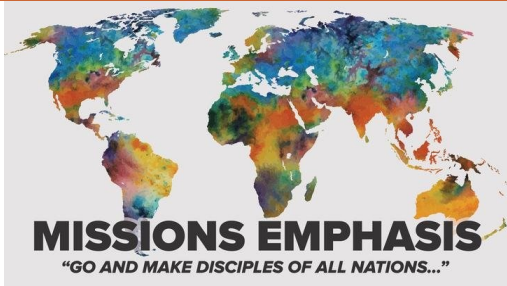


**Mission Update:** Thank you to everyone who has signed up to support Daisy & Maisy and Growing Hope Globally. One of the World Renew projects we are funding this year is in Igembe, Kenya where farmers have experienced repeated crop failures as a result of droughts and erratic rainfall. This program is working to improve the food security situation in the Igembe area. For more information, check out this link: <https://www.growinghopeglobally.org/program/kenya-igembe/>



**Video Recording**

A video recording of the morning worship service will be posted to our church YouTube page either on Sunday or Monday. Here is the link to our YouTube page: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCutET663hVzpPohBMiCXEQA>. If you haven't already done so, be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel and click the notification bell to receive updates whenever a new video becomes available.



**Mission Emphasis Week** is coming soon and again we have two speakers scheduled to be with us. Sunday morning, April 27, Rev. Kurt Selles, Executive Director of ReFrame Ministries (formerly Back to God Ministries) will be bringing the message, along with an update on ReFrame Ministries. Then, both Saturday and Sunday, May 3 & 4, Pastor Jim Halstead, founder of Go & Tell Ministries and former pastor of Community CRC, Ft. Wayne, IN, will be with us. On Saturday morning he will be presenting a workshop on sharing the Gospel to the lost, then Sunday morning he will bring the message. There will be more information about this workshop later. We are asking if anyone would be willing to host Pastor Jim Halstead overnight on Friday and Saturday, May 2-4. If you are willing to do so, or have questions before deciding, please contact Pastor Simon or Jerry Oele."

**Alternatives of Kalamazoo:** A baby basinet is available in the gym/fellowship hall for donations to support Alternatives Pregnancy Care Center of Kalamazoo. **The center is in need of Pull-ups for both girls and boys -sizes 3T, 4T, 5T, & Wipes!** Lets fill the bassinet full of toddler items. They will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for all your generous giving.



**Kalamazoo Loaves and Fishes:** A grocery cart in the Gym/Fellowship Hall is available every week to collect non-perishable food items. KLF serves over 800 people each day through their pantry network, home delivery program, and mobile food distributions. Food wish list: Cereal, canned soups and stews, meals in a box (like hamburger helper), shelf stable almond or rice milk, baking mixes, protein drinks, canned meat, shelf-sable tortillas, granola or cereal bars, microwaveable food, kid-friendly snacks. Please help us support this ministry.



*Family Faith Formation Tip*

**Read Psalm 103:1-5 and ponder the following question.**

**When you look at your “inmost being” how often do you find yourself in “celebration mode”? What might you do to celebrate ever day?**

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**ReFrame Ministries**

**Kids Corner: Lent: Jesus' Sacrifice for Us** - Check out this week's kids' devotion "Lent: Jesus' Sacrifice for Us" at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Have you ever wondered why Jesus had to die? Discover the answer in this kids' devotional that shows how much Jesus loves you, why He made the ultimate sacrifice, and how His amazing victory gives us hope! Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like KC's Lent and Easter Collection.

**Groundwork: Jesus Predicts His Death** - During the season of Lent, we reflect and prepare our hearts for Easter. Similarly, Jesus tried to prepare his disciples for his death. Join Groundwork as we study Mark 8:31-36 and Luke 18:31-34 to study Jesus' words and see how Jesus' journey to the cross invites us to follow Him in faith, sacrifice, and hope. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Do you enjoy doing puzzles? It's great for hand dexterity and eye coordination, plus its a great way to pass the time on all the cold and snowy days. We have a table set up in the north wing with all sizes, 300 up to 1000 pieces. So take a look and if you want, bring one from home to share.

