

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:

Mar. 1 & 8 Matt & Lisa Durian, Bonnie Colvin, Teri Wagner
Mar 15 & 22 Nick & Melissa Piontek, Bob & Jane Pangle

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: hccrcprayer@gmail.com

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

Districts

A-M Glen Wagner
N-Z Rick Lingbeek

Elder

Glen Wagner
Rick Lingbeek

Deacon

Teri Wagner
Roger Selles

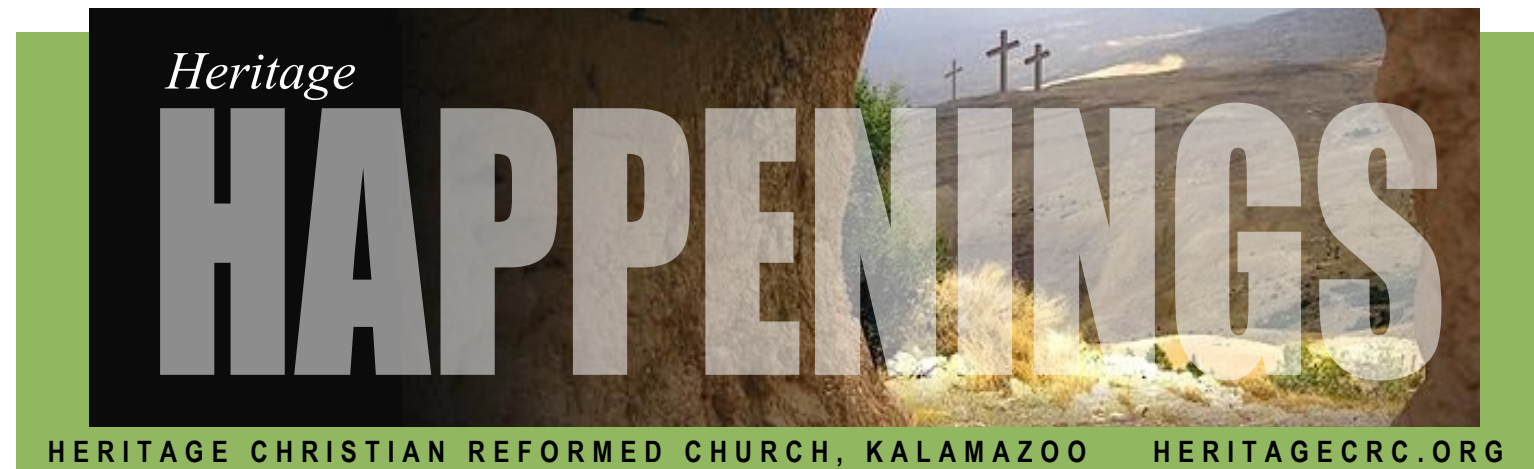
MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

Mar. 8 - Chris VandenBerg
Mar. 15 - Paul Booden
Mar. 22 - Lisa Durian
Mar. 29 - Paul Booden

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

3/8 - Barb Razenberg, Kim Bruinwood
3/15 - Michelle Koning, Joyce Truscott
3/22 - John Bruinwood, Sue Florian
3/29 - Barb Razenberg

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 5 9:30 GROW Group | 6 | 7  Set you clocks ahead 1 hour before you go to bed! |
| 8 Daylight Savings Time 10 am Pastor Simon "Waiting in Faith" Genesis 24 | 9 | 10 | 11 10 am Adult Bible Study | 12 9:30 GROW Group | 13 | 14 |
| 15 10 am Pastor Simon "God's Promise: Are You All In?" Genesis 25:1-18 | 16 | 17 3:30 Shep. Elders | 18 | 19 9:30 GROW Group 12:00 Heritage Piecemakers | 20  | 21 |
| 22 10 am Rev. Dan Roels "Reaching for Glory" Matthew 17:1-13 | 23 | 24 10 am Book Club 6:30 Council | 25 | 26 9:30 GROW Group | 27 | 28 7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative  |

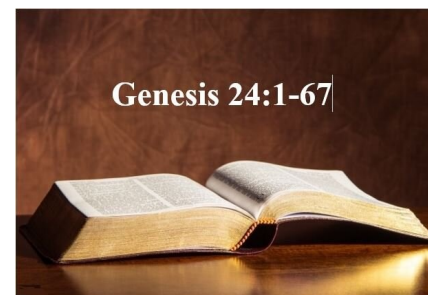


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What's up in Worship

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 "Waiting in Faith", based on Genesis 24.



Council News

Nominations for Elder and Deacon: It will soon be time to give thanks for those who have served the Lord and His Church and elect new members to Council as either elder or deacon. As we begin this process, the council asks you to join them in praying God will raise up those who will fill these leadership roles at Heritage Church. Please also consider nominating those you believe are qualified and gifted to serve as an elder or deacon. A letter describing the qualifications necessary to serve and a nomination form will be sent out via e-mail. Extra copies are available at the Information Center.

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

March 9 ~ Teri Wagner
March 10 ~ Ferrel Stremler



Anniversaries...

March 12 ~ Dave & Carol Bonselaar
March 12 ~ Roger & Chris Selles



Church Calendar for March 8-14:

Sunday 10:00 Worship Service
Wednesday 10:00 Adult Bible Study
Thursday 9:30 GROW Group



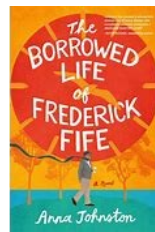
Thank you for all the cards, kind words and prayers over the last few weeks. It is nice being able to see smiling faces clearly again. Betty Visser



Set your clocks ahead one hour this Sunday,
March 8 at 2 am.



For Tuesday March 24, 10:00am we will be discussing a heartwarming story about an elderly man who, through a case of mistaken identity takes the place of a grumpy resident in a nursing home. He finds companionship as he navigates his new borrowed life.



Coffee Break will not be meeting on Tuesday, March 17, we will resume on April 7th.



We have two missing Jan Karon books from our library. Please check your homes to see if you might have forgotten to return them.

#12 Somewhere Safe With Somebody Good

#13 Come Rain or Shine

Thank you,
Library Staff



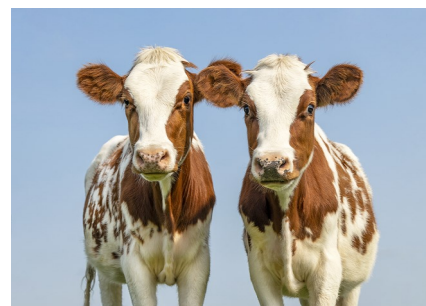
Offering Schedule

- Mar. 8 General Fund
Loose Change: Centrica (Hospice of SW MI)
- Mar. 15 General Fund
Loose Change: Dordt University
- Mar. 22 General Fund
Loose Change: Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries
- Mar. 29 General Fund
Loose Change: Wycliffe Bible Translators

Offerings

Deposited for March 1, 2026

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$810.00
- Building Fund ~ \$100.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$20.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$2,500.00
- General Fund ~ \$7,692.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$50.00
- Park Village Pines ~ \$230.00

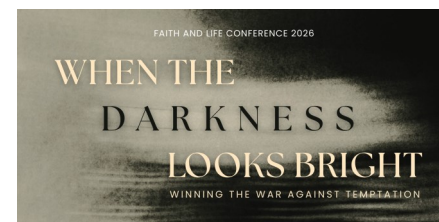


Adopt Daisy and Maisy! Over the past 19 years, Heritage CRC has partnered with Growing Hope Globally (<https://www.growinghopeglobally.org/>) and 2 other churches in Kalamazoo (Grace and Third CRC) to tackle world hunger through the Dairy Project!

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.



KCHS Spring Musical Tickets on Sale Now - Kalamazoo Christian High School's spring musical, The Sound of Music, is coming up on March 19-21 at Comstock Community Auditorium and tickets are on sale now at <https://kchspeformingarts.ludus.com/>. This beloved tale of music, love, faith, and standing up bravely to evil is a true classic and not one you will want to miss. Get your tickets now!



Satan, sin, and temptation wage war for your soul—but they are not invincible. Learn how the enemy operates, how your heart is targeted, and how Christ empowers you to stand firm and overcome. Come hear from Dr. Neil Stewart at the **2026 Faith and Life Conference, "When The Darkness Looks Bright: Winning the War against Temptation."** Saturday, March 21st from 9AM–2PM at Immanuel Fellowship Church (6015 W H Ave, Kalamazoo). Lunch is provided. Register for the event at: kalamazoocpc.org/faithandlife

Calvin Theological Seminary

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Turkey & the Seven Churches of Revelation (Oct 9-19, 2026): Visit ancient sites connected with Paul's First, Second, and Third Missionary Journeys as well as the seven churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational biblical tour. Contact Dr. Weima at [616-328-3110](tel:616-328-3110) or weimje@calvinseminary.edu.

Family Faith Formation Tip

On the night of his arrest, Jesus asked his disciples to stay with him, watch, and pray. Prayer is a discipline that requires the dedication of our precious time and attention. It is also a practice through which Jesus invites all disciples to experience sweet communion with him. Today is the CRCNA's Annual Day of Prayer. This week set aside intentional time to pray for your local church, our denomination, and the worldwide communion of saints. In your prayer ask Jesus to draw you and all believers to himself, that we may be one (John 17:20-23). Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: Lent: Washing Stinky Feet - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Lent: Washing Stinky Feet" at www.kidscorner.net. In John 13, Jesus washed his disciples' feet—a humble act of service that surprised everyone. He demonstrated that love isn't just about words; it's about doing for others, even in unexpected ways. Prepare for Easter with all the great content at kidscorner.net, like Kids Corner's Lent Devotional.

Groundwork: Jesus: Judged, Beaten, and Crowned with Thorns - At the fifth Station of the Cross, we reflect on Jesus before Pilate, and at the sixth, we witness Jesus endure mocking and beating from Roman soldiers as they placed a crown of thorns on his head. Join Groundwork as we study Mark 15:1-15 and John 19:1-3 for a Lenten reflection on Jesus' suffering and persecution, and what it means for his followers. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Focus on the Cross - Lent is a season to focus on the hope of Jesus Christ. Receive a free Today devotional email series to help you refresh, refocus, and renew your faith during Lent. Or download the ebook! Subscribe at todaydevotional.com/lent.