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

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:  
Wednesday at noon. Call,  
leave a note, or e-mail to  
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

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

Volunteer Schedule...

NURSERY: May 14: Joyce Truscott & Heather Tuin  
May 21: Kim Bruinwood & Teri Wagner

COFFEE SERVERS: May 14/21: John & Kim Bruinwood, Donna Penning, Judy Wieringa  
May 28/June 4: Glen & Ruth Wagner, Herm & Gretchen Vanders, Ken & Dorothy VanDen-Berg

HALLMARK LIVING  
(Services begin at 3:30 pm & last approximately 30 minutes)  
May 14: Bill Vroegop & Marilyn Stremler  
May 21: Glen Wagner & Ellen Byle

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: May: Judy Wieringa

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: May 14: Pat Schewe May 21: Paul Booden  
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

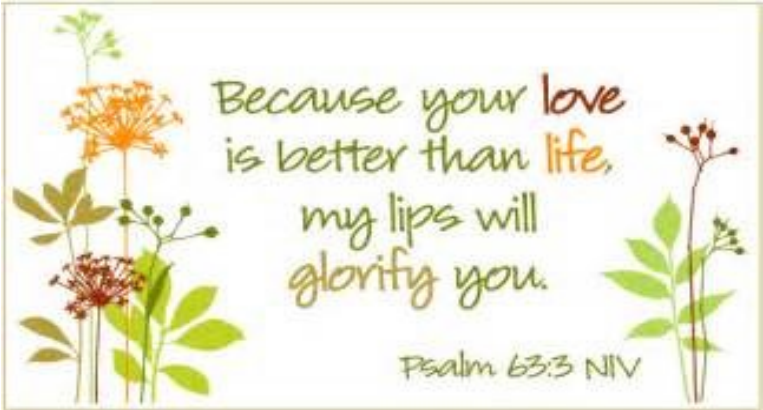
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
14 9:30 am Pastor Simon “A Love Better Than Life” Psalm 63  5 pm Rev. Ike VerHage “The Chosen Lady” II John	15	16 Shepherding Elders 3 pm	17 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	18	19	20
21 9:30 am Pastor Simon “His Love Endures Forever” Psalm 136 Installation of Office Bearers Baptism of Lucas Piontek 5 pm Proclamation Brass & King Choraliers	22	23 Council Meeting 7 pm	24 Shipshewana Outing 10:30 am	25	26	27 Mobile Food Initiative Prairie Ridge Elementary 8 am set up 9 am food drop
28 9:30 am Pastor Simon “He Left...They They Worshipped Him” Luke 24:36-53  No Evening Worship	29 memorial DAY	30	31 Book Club 2 pm (new date)	1	2	3
4 Communion/Pentecost 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Can These Bones Live?” Ezekiel 37:1-14 30th Anniversary Potluck 5 pm Pastor Simon “The Reformation Solas: Glory to God Alone” Romans 11:33-36	5	6	7	8	9	10



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What’s up in Worship



Celebrations

**Birthdays**  
Hannah Taibu ~ May 14  
Shania Taibu ~ May 16  
Ruth Wagner ~ May 19  
Donna Penning ~ May 20

Anniversary Celebration

On June 7, 1987 the newly merged congregation of Heritage Christian Reformed Church gathered for its first worship service. In thankfulness for 30 years of God’s faithfulness and ministry together, everyone is invited to a celebration pot-luck/dinner on Sunday, June 4th after the morning service. More information to follow!

Upcoming Baptism...

On Sunday, May 21 we will witness and celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism of Lucas Michael, son of Nick & Melissa Piontek.



Faith-Promise ~ Update:

The 2017-18 Faith-Promise Commitment is currently \$14,410. If you have not had opportunity to submit your commitment slip (extras can be found at the Information Center), please place it in any offering basket today or the next two Sundays.



If you have any questions, or would like more information, please contact our Faith-Promise Coordinator, Jerry Oele.

Ministry...

The Bible League International will soon be putting envelopes in your mailboxes requesting donations for much needed Bibles for Africa. The demand for Bibles is far greater than what they can supply! Thank you for whatever you can share.  
~ Bonnie Colvin & Barb Nieboer

**New address** for Dean Troyer:  
Park Place Assisted Living  
Room C-15  
Kalamazoo, MI 49009  
269-459-9785

Please update your directories accordingly.

**Book Club** will meet on Wednesday, May 31 this month due to the Shipshewana outing on the 24th of May.

The BLESS Group requests your prayers as we begin to plan activities for the summer. We appreciated your help last summer and hope you will join us again this year. We will be starting on Sunday, June 18.

## Council News

Over the past several weeks the Council has worked diligently to put together a list of nominees for positions soon to be vacated by those who have completed their term as either elder or deacon. Here is the list of those who are willing to serve:

- Administrative Elder (1 needed for 1 year term):  
Phil Nieboer
- Shepherding Deacon (1 needed for 1 year term):  
Marge Booden, Taylor Bruinwood, Donn Carlisle, Matt Durian, Gretchen Vanders, & Judy Wieringa

*Note: Emma Schering has agreed to serve as the Administrative Deacon for the remainder of her term.*

Today, May 14, the names of those affirmed as nominees will be placed in a basket. Following a time of prayer, a name will be drawn and announced to the congregation. The congregation will then be asked to affirm the entire slate of nominees by a voice vote. The installation of new office –bearers will take place next Sunday, May 21.

Please keep this process in prayer as we place those nominated before God’s throne and ask the Holy Spirit to lead us in the ministry of Heritage Christian Reformed Church.

## Ministry...

**Shipshewana...Here We Come!**  
Join us on Wednesday, May 24 as we head South for a day of fun and adventure. We will leave from church at 10:30 am. Please sign up today at the table in the Narthex if you plan on going. If you have any questions, please contact Betty Vlietstra at 269-345-8205.

**Plan to join us next Sunday, May 21** at 5 pm for an inspirational service of the word, music and song right here at Heritage! The King’s Choraliers, a singing group of men from Grand Rapids will join with Proclamation Brass from Kalamazoo in presenting great hymns of the faith that celebrate Ascension Day and the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Including time for congregational hymns, this promises to be an uplifting event with a social time to follow. You’ll want to be there.



## Missions & Missionaries...

Loaves & Fishes wish list:  
**May:** Low or no salt canned vegetables  
*Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall*

### Emails or Letters to Missionaries...

Gerrit & Betty Visser ~ Jerry An  
Rich Visser ~ David Heath  
Betty Vlietstra ~ Joseph Mutebi

*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

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| May 14 | General Fund: Ministry Shares<br>Loose Change: Back to God Minis    |
| May 21 | General Fund: Faith Promise<br>Loose Change: Elim Chr Schools       |
| May 28 | General Fund: Building Fund<br>Loose Change: Benevolence Fund       |
| June 4 | General Fund: Christian Education<br>Loose Change: Jesus Loves Kzoo |

## Offerings (for Sunday, May 7)

- Adopt a Cow ~ \$160.00  
Benevolence Fund ~ \$1,005.00  
Building Fund ~ \$585.00  
Christian Education Assistance ~ \$230.00  
CRC World Missions ~ \$161.00  
Faith Promise ~ \$175.00  
General Fund ~ \$8,883.00  
Ministry Shares ~ \$285.00

**Need a chuckle?**

Recipes from the Heritage Country Cookbook...

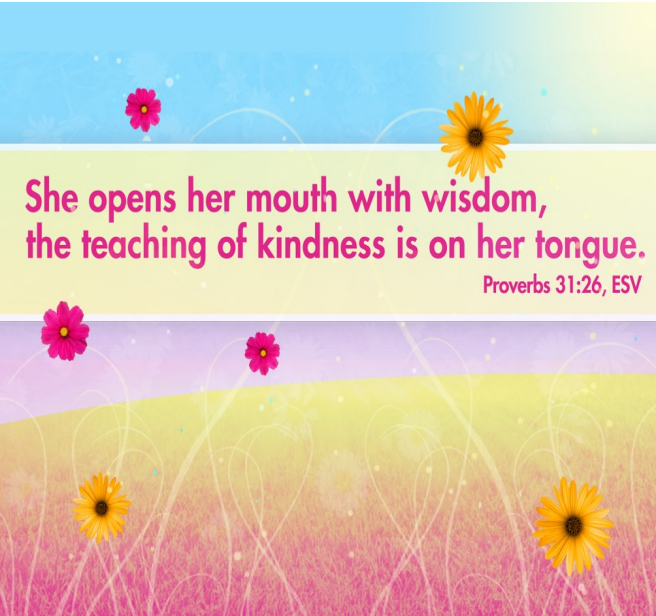
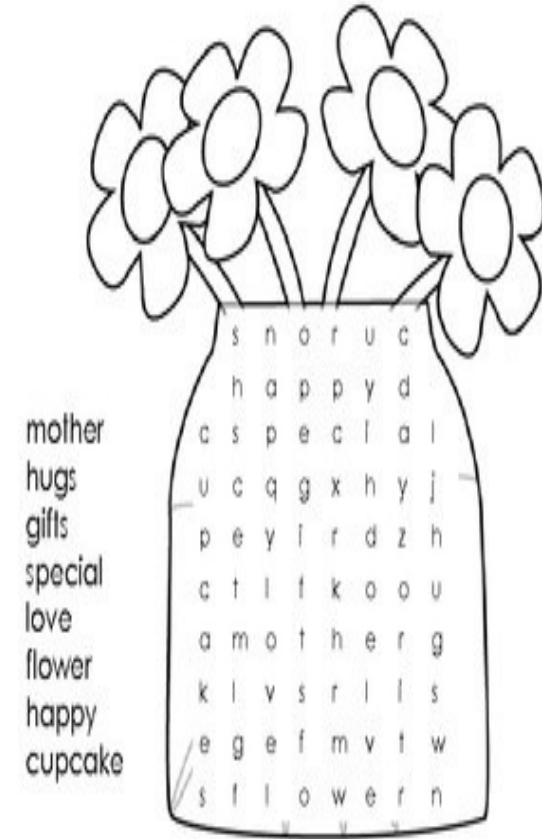
Elephant Stew

1. Elephant
2. Rabbits, optional

Cut elephant into small bite-sized pieces. This should take about 2 months. Add enough brown gravy to cover (several gallons.) Cook over kerosene fire for 4 weeks at 465°. This will serve about 3,800 people. If more are expected, 2 rabbits may be added, but do this only if necessary, as most people do not like to find hare in their stew!

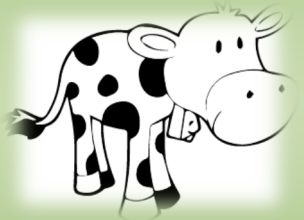
~ Glen Wagner

## Happy Mother’s Day!



## Food Resource Bank...

- ♦ Are you in the *mood* to help?
- ♦ Together, we can change the world.
- ♦ Won't you help feed Daisy this year through Food Resource Bank?  
The cost is \$40/week or \$160/month.
- ♦ Sign up today at the display in the Narthex if you are able to contribute to this vital ministry.
- ♦ Thank you for joining us in imagining a world without hunger, and working to make it happen. We are inspired by all that you have done and continue to do.



## Requested Announcements

**Kalamazoo Christian High School Athletic Booster Club** invites you to their annual golf outing event. Monday, June 5, 2017 at 12 pm at Thornapple Golf Course. You can sign up to play at [kchristiansports.com](http://kchristiansports.com), where there is a link to fill out the sign-up sheet. The funds from the golf outing help to support all athletics at Kalamazoo Christian High School. If you have more questions, please feel free to call the high school athletic office at 269-381-2250, ext 223.

**You are invited** to a time of worshipping God through a concert with GOSPEL MUSIC featuring gospel singer and recording artist, James McDuffy. He will be accompanied by Esther Vandenberg, pianist for HIS Harmony Quartet. The concert will be held at Twin Lakes Church, 5475 Ravine Road, Kalamazoo, at 7 pm on Saturday, May 20, 2017. A free-will offering will be received and some of McDuffy’s recordings will be available for purchase. Please note that if our area is under a tornado watch or warning within one hour of the concert, the concert will be cancelled.

**Park Village Pines**, a Christian assisted living senior care community, invites you to their campus at 2920 Crystal Lane in Kalamazoo on Saturday, May 20 from 8 am to 12 pm for their annual flower sale. **For the first time, the sale is before Memorial Day!** Enjoy great prices on all types of flowers and free coffee and donuts! All proceeds will help provide our residents with the highest quality Christian senior care & facili-