

**Heritage CRC**

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SUNDAY WORSHIP:@ 10:00 AM

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:  
Thursday by 8:00 am. Call,  
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OFFICE HOURS:  
Wednesday: 8:00 am —12:00 pm  
Thursday: 8:00 am —12:00 pm

**Volunteer Schedule...**

**COFFEE SERVERS:**

May 10 & 17 Fred & Pam Gould, Norm & Bonnie Langeland  
May 24 & 31 Jim Bosch, Judy Wieringa, Heather Tuin, Norbert & Joy Hegelmann

**PRAYER LINE MINISTRY:** Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

**PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY:** hccrprayer@gmail.com

**SERVICE MINISTRY:** Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

**Districts**  
A-M Glen Wagner  
N-Z Rick Lingbeek

**Deacon**  
Teri Wagner  
Roger Selles

**MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:**  
May 10 - Chris Vandenberg  
May 17 - Paul Booden  
May 24 - Lisa Durian  
May 31 -

**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:**  
5/10 - Barb Razenberg & Joy Knurr  
5/17 - Lisa & Olivia Bosch  
5/24 - Sue Florian & Nancy Vandenberg  
5/31 - Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				7	8	9
10 10 am Pastor Simon "An Unlikely Convert" Acts 9:1-19	11	12 7 pm Admin Board	13 7 pm KCHS Senior Awards Night	14	15	16 7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative
17 Ascension Sunday 10 am Pastor Simon "Above All" Ephesians 1:15-23	18	19 3:30 Shep. Elders	20	21 12:00 Heritage Piecemakers	22	23
24 Pentecost Sunday 10 am Pastor Simon "Live By The Spirit" Galatians 5:16-26	25	26 6:30 Council	27	28	29 9 am KCSA Y5 Graduation	30



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**What's up in Worship**

Join us this week as Pastor Simon preaches from Acts 9:1-19, "An Unlikely Convert."



The 2026-27 Faith Promise Commitment is currently \$24,260. Slips will continue to be received through May 24 and may be placed in the offering plates (additional slips available on the Information Center). Since this commitment is only between you and God, your name should not appear on the commitment slip since no record is kept of individual commitments. Thank you.

**Celebrations...**

**Birthdays...**

May 10 ~ Sharon VanKalker



Our next church potluck will be on June 7 after the service. This potluck will be a celebration of the 39th anniversary of our church! Please bring a dish to pass if your are able, tableware and drinks are provided. Everyone is welcome!



**Church Calendar for May 10-16:**

Sunday 10:00 am Worship Service  
Tuesday 7:00 pm Admin. Board  
Saturday 7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative

### Council News

Over the past several weeks the Council has worked to put together a list of nominees for elder and deacon. We thank the congregation for your prayers and the prayerful consideration of those who were nominated. Here is the list of those willing to serve:

Administrative Elder (1 needed): Matt Durian

Shepherding Deacon (1 needed): Judy Wieringa

Shepherding Elder (1 needed): Bruce Goethe and Bill Vroegop

We are grateful to Bob Razenberg (Administrative Elder) and Glen Wagner (Shepherding Elder) for their willingness to extend their term and serve for another year.

On Sunday, May 10, during the worship service the congregation will be asked to affirm the slate of nominees by a voice vote. The casting of lots will then be used to select a shepherding elder. The installation of office bearers will take place on Sunday, May 17.



The Pulitzer Prize winner of 1924 still has relevance today. The book is based on the life of Anje Wage-meester Paarlberg a widowed mother of South Holland, Illinois. The book dares to celebrate quiet perseverance over flashy success. It is not just a story but a standard. We meet at 10 am on Tuesday, May 26, come join us.

### Offering Schedule

- May 10 General Fund  
Loose Change: Alternatives of Kalamazoo
- May 17 General Fund  
Loose Change: Wings of God
- May 24 General Fund  
Loose Change: Rehoboth Christian School
- May 31 General Fund  
Loose Change: LEMA Institute

### Offerings

#### Deposited for May 3, 2026

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$80.00
- Building Fund ~ \$60.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$30.00
- Elim Christian Services ~ \$391.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$1,140.00
- General Fund ~ \$6,732.00
- Initial Offering ~ \$5.00
- LEMA Institute ~ \$200.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$115.00



**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!

**We just need 10 more weeks filled in** to have Daisy and Maisy fed for the whole year. It's \$60 per week. Check out the poster by the office for more information. Thank you.



There are three pianos in the last south west room of the education wing that need to be removed in the next three weeks. If you know of a new home please let a council member know. We need to clear out some areas soon. Also there will be an update on preschool happenings in next weeks heritage happenings.



Park Village Pines is currently in need of a pianist once a week for devotions from about 9:20-10:00 A.M. The assignment consists of being able to play a short prelude prior to the 9:30-10:00 devotion time, plus the ability to play about four hymns from our Celebration Hymnal--usually three at the beginning and one at the end of the service. They are looking for someone available on Mondays, but it might be possible to do some juggling of days with another pianist. If interested please call Craig Rupp at 269-569-1235 or you can talk with Mike VandenBerg here at church.



Mobile Food Initiative is **Saturday, May 16.**  
7:45 AM at Heritage CRC.  
**See you there!**

### Family Faith Formation Tip



**Women were the first to witness the resurrected Jesus, and they told others the good news of the living God. When you think about your faith journey, who are the women who have told you about God? This week take some time to journal, draw, or share with a friend or family member stories about the women who have had an impact on your faith. Consider writing a note to one of them or, if possible, visiting them and thanking them in person. Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.org/Thrive)**



### ReFrame Ministries

**Kids Corner Devotions: The Letter of Acts** - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "The Letter of Acts" at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). The book of Acts tells an exciting story that shows God's good news is for you—Jesus loves you, forgives you, and gives you his Spirit no matter who you are or where you're from. It reminds us that God wants everyone to know his love and share it with the world! Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like the Bible Story coloring pages available on the KC activities page.

**Groundwork: God Creates** - The theme of creation echoes throughout the Bible. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Genesis 1, Revelation 21:22-24, Psalm 139:13-14, Hebrews 1:1-3, and Colossians 1:15-17 to discuss what this theme reveals to us about God's character, love, and intentions. Then we'll consider our call to reflect God's creativity with our own as bearers of his image. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.