

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:  
May 12 & 19 Ferrel & Marilyn Stremmer & Bill & Joyce Truscott  
May 26 & June 2 Matt & Lisa Durian/Bonnie Colvin & Teri Wagner


PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:  
May 12 - LillieAnn Durian  
May 19 - Paul Booden  
May 26 - Lisa Durian

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:  
5/12 - John Bruinwood & Nick Piontek  
5/19 - Sue Florian & Barb Razenberg  
5/26 - Joyce Truscott & Nancy Vandenberg

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				9 9:30 GROW Group	10 9:30 Heritage Piecemakers  Final Day of KCHS Fine Arts Showcase	11
12 Ascension Sunday  10:00 am Pastor Simon “A Call to Holiness” Hebrews 12:14-29	13	14  7 pm Admin Council	15  10 am Bible Study on Heaven	16  9:30 GROW Group	17	18  7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative 
19 Pentecost Sunday  10:00 am Pastor Simon “How Should We Live Then?” Hebrews 13 Singing Crusaders Concert	20	21  3:30 Shep. Elders	22  10 am Bible Study on Heaven	23	24	25
26  10 am Guest Preacher	27	28  10 am Book Club  6:30 Council	29	30	31	1

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HAPPENINGS

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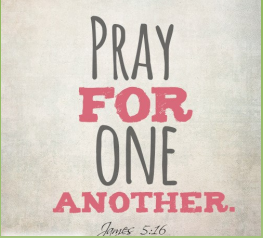
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What’s up in Worship

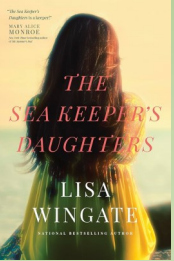
**Better: A Journey Through Hebrews** – There has always been pressure on those who belong to Jesus to deny Him and find something better. Join us in this series on the book of Hebrews as we discover its re-sounding message that Jesus is better than everything we might try to satisfy the deepest longing of our hearts. This week’s sermon title is: “**A Call to Holiness**”, based on Hebrews 12:14-29.

We are thankful to report that the Faith-Promise Commitments last Sunday totaled \$17,604. If you have not had the opportunity to submit your commitment, the slips may be placed in the offering plates any Sunday through the month of May.



No birthdays or anniversaries this coming week, take a moment to look in the church directory and pray for the people whose pages are right after and right before your page.

The next book club will be Tuesday, May 28 at 10:00 am. We will be discussing The Sea Keeper’s Daughters by Lisa Wingate. The restaurant owner Whitney Monroe is desperate to save her business from a hostile takeover. See Dorothy Broekhuizen for a book.



Church Calendar for May 12-18:

Sunday

10:00 Worship Service

Tuesday

7:00 Admin. Council

Wednesday

10:00 Heaven Bible Study

Saturday

7:45am Mobile Food Initiative

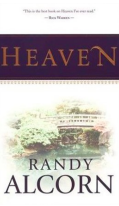


**Congregational Meeting on May 19:** A congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 19 (DV) after the morning service. At the meeting, the congregation will discuss and vote on the following recommendation:

The council recommends that approval be given for Kalamazoo Christian School (KCS) to build an addition on to our facility so that the rest of the KCS early education program can be hosted at this location. KCS will be responsible for all costs related to the building addition. The building design will involve congregational input and approval before proceeding.



The Heritage Piecemakers could use fabric donations for their projects. They can use old blankets, inexpensive fleece throws, fabric items, etc. A great place to look for these items is at garage sales and thrift stores, or even your own house. Thank you so much for your help! See Linda DeLoof with any questions.



Join us on Wednesday mornings as we have a Bible study based on the Randy Alcorn book “Heaven”. All are invited to attend every Wednesday at 10:00 am in the council room, All are welcome!



Our church kitchen has pans, insulated bags and cookie sheets from previous potlucks, the international student luncheon, etc. Please take a look at the counter in the kitchen if you are missing items.

**Offering Schedule**

- May 12 General Fund & Ministry Shares  
Loose Change: Alternatives of Kalamazoo
- May 19 General Fund & Faith Promise  
Loose Change: Wings of God
- May 26 General Fund & Building Fund  
Loose Change: Rehoboth Christian School
- June 2 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance  
Loose Change: Jesus Loves Kalamazoo

**Offerings (deposited for May 5, 2024)**

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$20.00
- Building Fund ~ \$160.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$120.00
- Elim Christian Services ~ \$136.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$610.00
- General Fund ~ \$6,951.00
- Growing Hope Globally ~ \$235.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$130.00

**Mobile Food Initiative is  
Saturday, May 18.**

**7:45 AM at Heritage CRC.**

***\*\*Please let the office know if  
you can help out.  
See you there!***



**Adopt Daisy and her sister Maisy!** We only need two weeks in December filled for Daisy and our donation board will be complete! Take a look at the poster. Thank you!

**Please pray for Synod 2024!** - We need everyone to be involved. The theme for synod worship and prayer is God With Us. You can sign up to pray on your own, with your church or small group, or at Calvin University in June. Check out the many opportunities at [crcna.org/synod/prayer](http://crcna.org/synod/prayer) and join us in humble prayer for God's will to be done in the CRC. Email [SynodPrayer@crcna.org](mailto:SynodPrayer@crcna.org) with your questions or comments.



The **Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries** will be hosting an event exclusive for the women staying at the shelter. This Women of Worth brunch will be held on May 17, 2024. A sponsorship of \$25 will provide each woman with a new outfit, a haircut or painted nails and a beautifully served meal. Most importantly, it will provide encouragement and bring words of hope as she discovers how God views her as a Woman of Worth. You can find more information on this event on the table in the narthex. To donate, visit their website at [www.kazoogospel.org/wow-brunch](http://www.kazoogospel.org/wow-brunch).



**Park Village Pines Annual Flower Sale** is on June 1, 7:30 am-1 pm. Come join PVP for their annual flower sale. Buy your flowers and support Park Village Pines as you beautify your yard. More than 25 local growers donate to this sale.

**Prayer line:** Please send all prayer requests to Jerry Oele or if your email address has changed, you wish to have your or a friend's email added to the Prayer Line, or you wish to no longer receive prayer line emails, please send an email request to: [jerry.oele@yahoo.com](mailto:jerry.oele@yahoo.com) or [prayerline@heritagecrc.org](mailto:prayerline@heritagecrc.org)

*Family Faith Formation Tip*

**The Lord's Prayer: An Intergenerational Event and Worship Experience is a downloadable free resource with which children, teens, and adults can gather to learn about and/or deepen their understanding of the Lord's Prayer. Try it in your church! Find it at [tinyurl.com/intergenprayer](http://tinyurl.com/intergenprayer). Learn more at [crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject](http://crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject)**

**ReFrame Ministries**

**Kids Corner:** A Mom's Love: Mother's Day - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Pay attention to your mom's love for you. Maybe it's your grandmother, a female family member, or perhaps a teacher. Know that her love for you reflects God's love for you: always watching and caring for you while you find your place in this world. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like the KC Bible Story Podcasts.

**Groundwork:** Spiritual Apathy and Justice in Malachi - Back in their homeland, the Israelites were finally comfortable again and spiritual apathy began to settle in their hearts. Join Groundwork as we study Malachi 1-4 to witness how out-of-sync life can get when we go through the motions of faith without investing our hearts and learn from Malachi's warnings against spiritual apathy and his encouragement to examine our hearts. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

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