

2857 South 11th Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49009
(just south from Stadium Drive)

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

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
Thursday by 10:00 am. Call,
leave a note, or e-mail to
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday: 8:30 am—12:30 pm
Thursday: 8:30—12 pm

NURSERY

November 18: Kim Bruinwood & Matt Carlisle

November 22: (Thanksgiving): Dorothy Broekhuizen & Kris Carlisle

November 25: Barb Razenberg & LilliAnn Durian

Nov 18: John & Kim Bruinwood, Judy Wieringa, Fred & Pam Gould

Nov 25/Dec 2: Glen & Ruth Wagner, Herm & Gretchen Vanders, Ken & Dorothy Vandenberg

(Services begin at 3:30 pm & last approximately 30 minutes)

November 18: Harold Triezenberg

November 25: Jim Triezenberg & Ellen Byle

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: November: Joy Hegelmann

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: Nov 18: Paul Booden Nov 25: Ferrel Stremier

PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Be Patient and Stand Firm” James 5:7-11 5 pm Pastor Simon “A Festive Day of Rest” Mark 2:23-28	19	20 Shepherding Elders 3 pm	21	22 Thanksgiving Day Worship 9:30 am	23	24
25 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY 9:30 am Pastor Simon “The God-dependent Community” James 5:12-19 ~No Evening Worship~	26	27 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Council 7 pm	28 Book Club 2 pm	29 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	30	1 
2 COMMUNION FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Hope: Finding God’s Way” Luke 1:26-38 5 pm Pastor Simon “Getting Away with Murder” Matthew 5:21-22	3	4 Christmas Gathering 6:15 pm	5 Men’s Bible Study 8 am	6	7	8
9 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Peace: Have No Fear” Luke 1:26-38 ~Congregational Meeting~ 5 pm Pastor Simon Lessons & Carols	10	11 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Admin Board Meeting 3:30 pm	12	13	14	15 Mobile Food Initiative Centerpoint 8 am set up 9 am food delivery



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What's up in Worship

Thanksgiving Day: Join us Thanksgiving Day at 9:30 am for a time of worship and giving thanks for God's many blessings. As part of our Thanksgiving Day worship please fill out one of the "Count Your Blessings" slips available today in the bulletin as well as at the Information Center. Submissions will be used as part of our worship on Thanksgiving Day.



Thanksgiving Day Offering:

As part of our Thanksgiving Day worship the Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes is once again the designated ministry for the offering. Along with our financial support, you are invited to bring food items for the Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes pantry located at Voyage Church as part of our thank offering. Special request items include high protein soup & stews, canned meat (tuna, salmon, chicken, etc), low sodium veggies, low sugar fruit, healthy snacks (granola bars, trail mix), whole grain pasta and all-in-one meals. Please give as you are able.



Advent 2018:

Series: We Believe

The Advent season is an invitation to prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ. In His incarnation, Jesus stepped into our world as the Son of God our Savior and We Believe He came to redeem, transform, and make all things new and will one day come again. Join us the 4 Sundays leading up to Christmas for the We Believe series as we seek to experience the hope, joy, peace, and love of God and believe in the One who has come and will come again! The series begins Sunday, December 2.

November 18, 2018

Celebrations

Birthdays

Chad Scheel ~ November 21


Gary Broekhuizen ~ November 23

Anniversaries

Bill & Ruth Vroegop ~ November 20 ~ 56 years!

Ministry

Change in Schedule:

- Sue will be working next Tuesday, November 20 instead of Thursday, November 22.
 - Sue will be working Tuesday, December 4 instead of Thursday, December 6.
 - Sue will be on vacation the week of December 10-14.
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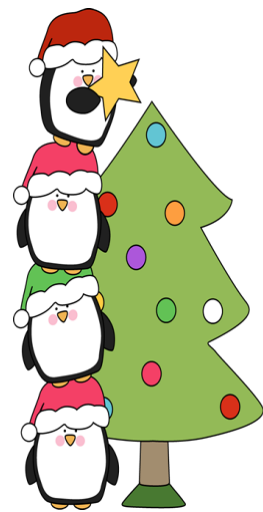


Reminder: Coffee break Bible Study **will not** meet this Tuesday, November 20. We will meet again on Tuesday, November 27.

A Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, **December 9, 2018** at 10:45 a.m. following the morning Worship Service to review the past year of ministry and adopt a budget for 2019.

Please note: There will be **NO** P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting this Wednesday, November 21.

Ministry continued...

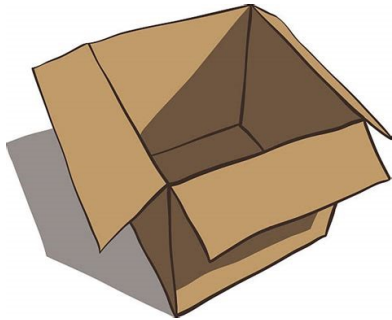


Christmas Gathering...is just over two weeks away! There is still time to sign up to be a hostess or just attend this fun event. Please sign up at the table in the Narthex. There will be one sign up sheet for being a hostess (*purple*) and a different sign up sheet (*gray*) to come as a guest. Join us for fun, food and entertainment. If you have any questions, please contact Betty Vlietstra, Marilyn Stremmer, Irene Vander-Berg, Jeni Scheel, Ruth Mather, Kris Carlisle or Judy Fletcher.

It's That Time Again! The gals from Coffee Break are ready to collect winter things again for distribution to "new" homes. We need:

- ♦ Mittens
- ♦ Hats
- ♦ Scarves
- ♦ Jackets
- ♦ Vests
- ♦ Sweaters
- ♦ Sweatpants
- ♦ Sweatshirts
- ♦ Boots
- ♦ Blankets

Everything is appreciated! Please drop off items in large box in Narthex. Thank you.



Pull up a chair and join us at Book Club! We will meet again on Wednesday, November 28 at 2 pm to discuss the book, "The Dressmaker" by Kate Alcott. See you there!



Missions & Missionaries...

Loaves & Fishes wish list:
November: No or low-salt canned vegetables
Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall

Emails or Letters to Missionaries...
Jack & Evie Wenke ~ Joseph Mutebi
Judy Wieringa ~ Larry Spalink
Mel Wooley ~ Jerry An

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	
Nov 18	General Fund: Faith Promise Loose Change: Inter Campus Ministry
Nov 22	Thanksgiving: K-zoo Loaves/Fishes
Nov 25	General Fund: Building Fund Loose Change: Wycliffe
Dec 2	General Fund: Christian Education Loose Change: Rose Arbor Hospice
Dec 9	General Fund: Ministry Shares Loose Change: Christmas Project

Offerings (deposited for November 11)
Benevolence Fund ~ \$40.00
Faith Promise ~ \$50.00
General Fund ~ \$4,261.00
Memorial Fund ~ \$240.00
Ministry Shares ~ \$691.00
Park Village Pines ~ \$164.00



Heritage's October balance sheet shows that we are nearly \$9,000 below our budget needs for 2018. The deacons and admin board request that you consider giving an extra gift to Heritage's general fund in your year end giving. We all would like to end our year with our church budget in the black. Thank you for all your generous gifts throughout the year.

Requested Announcements...

The annual Holiday Open House given at Second CRC is scheduled for Monday, December 3 from 6-9 pm. There will be a variety of vendors for your holiday shopping needs. A silent auction will be included again this year. Call Becky Gernaat at 344-5630 with any questions.

"The Light in Their Eyes". You're invited to a free screening of this beautiful film from Bethany Christian Services at Westwood CRC, 620 Northampton Road, on Thursday, November 15 at 6:30 pm. Join three couples over 16 months on their journey to adopt. Whether you've ever considered adopting or want to better support someone who is, or you just want to see some of the good happening in our West Michigan community, you will love this film. (Free—no ticket required).

Attention 60+ singles, widows, & widowers: We are pleased and excited to announce the second social hour with donuts and coffee provided to be held on Monday, December 3 at 9 am at Grace CRC (1724 Whites Road). Our continued theme is I Timothy 5:9-10, challenging those over the age of 60 to continue to work and do good deeds. Pastor Brown, Director of the Kalamazoo Gospel Mission, will be our featured speaker. Your RSVP is preferred. Please call or text Marci or Ed Muller at 269-806-1899.

Second Impressions needs a Tuesday morning delivery/pickup person. It would be ideal to have a couple of people who could alternate, especially if self-employed. You should be able to lift a couch or office desk from the 1st floor or garage. Our truck has a lift gate. Our proceeds benefit the families of the Kalamazoo Christian School Association.



Family Faith Formation Tip

Help kids become eager participants in your family's giving by inviting them to identify a ministry for your family to support together, either financially or through volunteering. For older children, suggest that they research local ministries to find one that connects with their own gifts and passions. For young children, give them a short list to choose from.



Uzima is a Swahili word that means "full of life."

- * By choosing an item this Christmas from World Renew's Gift Catalog (*which can be found in your mailbox this morning with extras at the Information Center*) you can offer Uzima—abundant life—to someone who is hungry, poor and oppressed. You create an opportunity for God to turn everyday events into miracles like enough food, fruitful work, good health and community service.
- * A goat or chicken, a wheelchair or sewing machine, a latrine or handwashing station may be the powerful opportunity someone needs to begin to experience the fullness of life that God intends!
- * Uzima includes compassionately serving those in need, empowering, equipping and encouraging others to make a commitment to God's work of wholeness and wellness in their own lives.
- * Share the joy of abundant life today. Uzima!