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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

Volunteer Schedule...

NURSERY
November 25: Barb Razenberg & LilliAnn Durian
December 2: Sue Mejeur & Pam Gould

COFFEE SERVERS
Nov 25/Dec 2: Glen & Ruth Wagner, Herm & Gretchen Vanders, Ken & Dorothy Vandenberg
Dec 9/16: Dave & Carol Bonselaar, Sue Mejeur, Fred & Pam Gould


HALLMARK LIVING
(Services begin at 3:30 pm & last approximately 30 minutes)
November 25: Jim Triezenberg & Ellen Byle
December 2: Simon Tuin & Judy Wieringa

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: **November:** Joy Hegelmann/**December:** Betty Vlietstra

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: **Nov 25:** Ferrel Stremler **Dec 2:** Paul Booden
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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
16 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Joy: The Lord Is With You” Luke 1:39-56 5 pm Pastor Simon Candlelight Service	17	18 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Shepherding Elders 3 pm	19 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	20	21	22



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What’s up in Worship

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.



Upcoming Special Services: Plan to join us for the special services planned for this Advent Season:

- *Lessons and Carols:* Join us on Sunday, December 9 at 5 pm for our annual “Lessons and Carols” service. This traditional service includes nine scripture lessons, tracing salvation history from Genesis through the gospels, interspersed with the singing of Christmas carols and hymns.
- *Candlelight Service:* Join us on Sunday, December 16 at 5 pm for our annual Candlelight Service. Through the singing of carols and the lighting of candles we will journey together to Bethlehem and rejoice in all we have seen and heard!



Winter Ice Cream Social is planned for Sunday, December 9 immediately following our Lessons and Carols service. This is a “thank you” to Heritage for use of the Fellowship Hall by the 4th grade girls basketball team of Kalamazoo Christian.

Celebrations

Birthdays

Norbert Hegelmann ~ November 25
Jerry Mather ~ November 26
Glen Wagner ~ November 27

Ministry

Change in Schedule:

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



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.

Now available at the Information Center:

- ⇒ December Birthday/Anniversary calendars
- ⇒ Prayer Guides for December from the Christian Reformed Church

Directory Update:

First of all, the updated directory goes to print next Thursday, November 29. So...you have one more week to make any picture updates or submit corrected information. Secondly, if you did submit a photo to be scanned for the directory, your photo has been returned to you in your mailbox this morning.

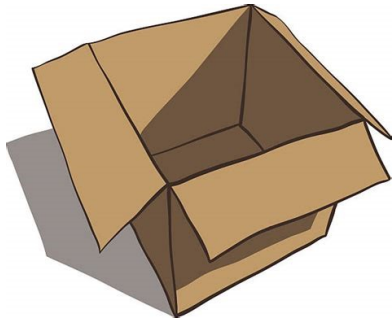
Ministry continued...



Christmas Gathering...is just coming soon! But 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-

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 this 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
December: Canned Meat
Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall

Emails or Letters to Missionaries...

Judy Zwart ~ Van Ankum Family
Allan Bickle ~ Kathleen Lauder
Dave & Carole Bickle ~ David Heath
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 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
Dec 16 General Fund: Faith Promise
Loose Change: Benevolence Fund

Offerings (deposited for November 18)

Christian Education Assistance ~ \$25.00
Faith Promise ~ \$536.00
General Fund ~ \$9,280.00
International Campus Ministry ~ \$222.00
Memorial Fund ~ \$25.00
Ministry Shares ~ \$350.00



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.

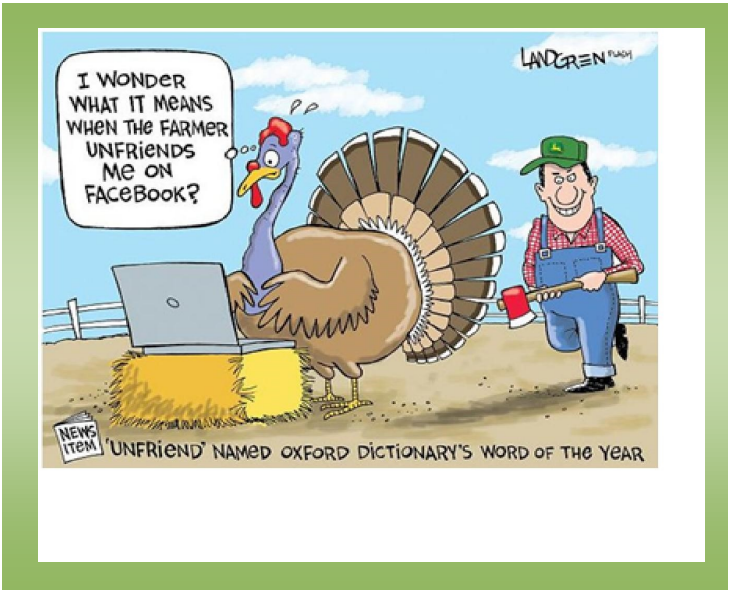
Requested Announcements...

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.

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.

Vendor Blender: Our annual Vendor Blendor sale will be Saturday, December 15 from 9 am—2 pm in the Kalamazoo Christian High school gym. All proceeds will be for the KCHS student trip to Israel in the spring of 2019. If you have a craft or business that you want to promote, you may "buy" a table for the day! If you have any questions, please contact teacher/chaperone, Dawn Brown at dbrown@kcsa.org.

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

- * By choosing an item this Christmas from World Renew's Gift Catalog (extras can be found 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!