#### HERITAGE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH, KALAMAZOO HERITAGECRC.ORG

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SUNDAY WORSHIP:@ 9:30 AM

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** Thursday by 9:00 am. Call, leave a note, or e-mail to churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Wednesday: 8:00 am —1:00 pm Thursday: 8:00 am —1:00 pm

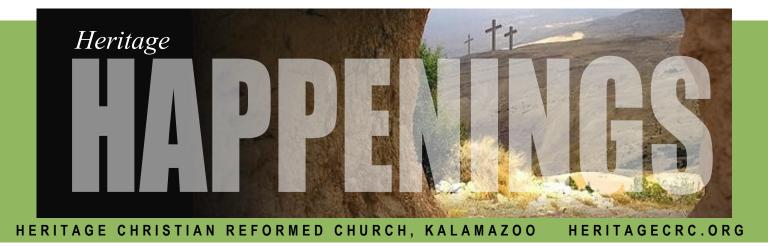
# **Connecting with our Community**

Please continue to reach out via phone or e-mail to our church community.



Thank you for your faithful support through your tithes and offerings. If you mail your contributions, the mailbox is checked each day of the week.

| Sun  | Mon | Tue                              | Wed | Thu  | Fri | Sat   |
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| 22   | 23  | 24                               | 25  | 26 Thanksgiving Day 9:30 am Fritz Kruithof "A Happy, Praying, Thankful Church" 1 Thessalonians 5:12-22 | 27  | 28  |
| 29<br>9:30 am Rev. Curry Pikkaart<br><b>"When Will God Come?"</b><br>Luke 21:25-28   | 30  | 1<br>DECEMBER                    | 2   | 3  | 4   | 5   |
| 6 Communion 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Elizabeth & Zechariah: Ordinary People, Extraordinary God" Luke 1:5-25,57-80                   | 7   | 8<br>7 pm Admin Board            | 9   | 10   | 11  | 12<br>10am-4pm<br>Roshan Project<br>Fund Raiser in<br>Fellowship hall |
| 13 9:30 am Pastor Simon  "Mary: Ordinary Woman, Extraordinary God" Luke 1:26-56 Congregational Meeting after the morning service | 14  | 15<br>7 pm Shepherding<br>Elders | 16  | 17   | 18  | 19<br>8 am Mobile Food<br>Initiative                                  |



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#### **Guest Preachers**

On Thanksgiving morning we welcome to our pulpit Rev. Fritz Kruithoff, the message title is "A Happy. Praying, Thankful Church", 1 Thessalonians 5:12-22.

On Sunday, November 29, we welcome Rev. Curry Pikkaart to our pulpit, the message title is "When Will God Come?" based on Luke 21:25-28.

#### Celebrations...

MINISTRIES

#### Birthdays...

Della Porter ~ December 3 ~ 81 years young!



Out-of-the Office: Pastor Simon is on vacation this week (November 23-30). If a need should arise, please contact one of the shepherding elders (Ron Stryd and Glen Wagner).

The **Coffee break** ladies are again requesting winter items for Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries. Items needed are winter coats and clothing for all ages, blankets, KALAMAZOO sleeping bags. There is a box in the foyer in which to put your dona-

tions.

# **Announcements**

#### Safety Items

- Please wear a mask when entering and exiting the building. Masks may be removed when seated in the sanctuary.
- It is essential that 6 feet of physical distancing be observed when entering the church prior to the service and during the time of fellowship after the service.
- Please continue to enter the building at the front entrance or the Fellowship Hall.
- Hand sanitizer and masks are available at each entrance.

#### A Roshan Opportunity

Saturday, December 12, is being reserved in our Fellowship Hall for the display of 90 small paintings done by Sy Ellens. All proceeds from the sale of these works, reasonably priced from \$50 to \$150, will be donated to the building of the Roshan school in Pakistan. From 10 AM to 4PM, interested persons are invited to come as the CDC guidelines are observed. No food or drinks may be taken into the building. Updated information will be given if the guidelines are changed. Questions may be directed to Jan at 269-873-7282.

#### **Decorating Opportunities**

Transforming the sanctuary for Advent. Come and help decorate the church for the Advent season.

Come this Friday, November 27 at 12:00 pm with a follow up time on Saturday at 10:00 am. Please see Jane Pangle for more information.



## 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, 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.

Special request items this year are for breakfast items: kids' cereal, pop tarts, granola bars, jelly/jams, pancake mix & syrup. They will also accept all-in-one meals: hamburger helper and high protein soup & stews, low sodium veggies, and low sugar fruit. Due to COVID-19, the donations will not be brought up during the Thanksgiving Day service but may be placed in the Loaves & Fishes grocery cart in the Fellowship Hall.

#### **Video Recording**

A video recording of the morning worship service will be posted to our church YouTube page either on Sunday or Monday. Here is the link to our YouTube page: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCutET663hVzpPohBMiCXEQA">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCutET663hVzpPohBMiCXEQA</a>. If you haven't already done so, be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel and click the notification bell to receive updates whenever a new video becomes available.



Annual Congregational Meeting: The annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 13, 2020 following the morning Worship Service to vote on a budget for 2021. A copy of the proposed budget for 2021 was placed in mailboxes. Extra copies are available at the Information Center. If you have any questions, please contact Donn Carlisle, council president, or Bob Razenberg, council VP/clerk.

# Offering Schedule

Nov. 26: Thanksgiving Day - Kal. Loaves & Fishes

Nov. 29: General Fund & General Fund Loose Change: International Campus Ministries

Dec. 6: General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance Loose Change: Rose Arbor Hospice

Dec. 13: General Fund & Ministry Shares Loose Change: Benevolence Fund

Dec. 20: General Fund & Faith Promise Loose Change: Kalamazoo Gospel Mission **Greetings Heritage Church Family!** 

I am presently teaching kindergarten at William C Abney Charter Academy. My students have a need for winter hats and mittens. I am reaching out in hopes of your assistance with this need. There will be a box in the narthex to place items if you wish to contribute. I currently have 13 students. This has been a challenging time to begin my teaching career and I covet your prayers for myself and my students. **Thank you for your support**. This is the last week for donations.

McKena Razenberg



The World Renew Gift Catalog gives you the opportunity to choose how you want to support families around the world achieve sustainable, healthy lives. Whether it be a goat, a chicken, a handwashing station, or an empowerment training for at-risk youth, your gift could be just what someone needs to moves forward with hope. You can find the catalogs in your church mailboxes.





# It's time, get ready, get set... Monday Night, November 30, 6:50pm

Pop your popcorn, get cozy on the couch together and set up your big screen to watch our special Kalamazoo Christian virtual event celebrating our sweet students and how God has blessed our schools!

You'll probably see the face of someone you love in this 30 minute fun and quirky video AND you'll virtually be with us as we *kick off 24 hours of giving* to the Kalamazoo Christian Annual Fund.

"ComeTogether 2020" premiers on our website kcsa.org/cometogether November 30 at 6:50 pm. Help further the mission of our school from the comfort of your own home and be the difference for our students and community!





# **Volunteer Schedule...**

#### **PRAYER LINE MINISTRY:**

Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

### PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY:

prayerline@heritagecrc.org

#### **MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY**:

Nov. 26 - Gary Broekhuizen

Nov. 29 - Gary Broekhuizen

Dec 6 - Lisa Durian

Dec 13 - LillieAnn Durian

Prayer line Reminder: 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: prayerline@heritagecrc.org or jerry.oele@yahoo.com