

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:

Oct 13 & 20 Glen & Ruth Wagner/Dorothy Broekhuizen, Rose Dame
Oct 27 & Nov 3 Bill & Joyce Truscott/Yvonne DeHollander

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

Oct. 20 - Paul Booden
Oct. 27 - Lisa Durian
Nov. 3 - Ian Tuin
Nov. 10 - Chris Vandenberg

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

10/20 - Wendy Rose & Nancy Vandenberg
10/27 - Mary Deters & Joyce Truscott
11/3 -Kim Bruinwood & Barb Razenberg
11/10 - Lisa & Olivia Bosch



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What's up in Worship

Rebuilding: The Book of Nehemiah ~ Nehemiah is called by God to rebuild the wall around Jerusalem so that the remnant in Israel may dwell again in the city. It's ultimately the story of an unfaithful people's encounter with the unrelenting faithfulness of God who longs to see His people restored. In this series on the book of Nehemiah, which begins on Sunday, September 8, we will see what it means to be "living stones" whom God uses to build His church. This week's sermon is based on Nehemiah 7:4-8:18



Join Don & Dena Corstange in the fellowship hall after church this Sunday to help them celebrate 70 years of marriage! Come and enjoy coffee and cake!



Celebrations...

Anniversaries...

Don & Dena Corstange ~ October 22





What's Happening This Week

Church Calendar for October 20-26:

- Sunday 10:00 Worship Service
11:00 Coffee & Cake in the fellowship hall
- Tuesday 10:00 Book Club
- Wednesday 10:00 WC Bible Study
- Thursday 9:30 GROW Group
- Saturday 7:45 Mobile Food Initiative

Church Directory: There are two new pages in your mailboxes, please add them to your directory. Also please update Evelyn Vroegop's cell phone number: 415-306-1900. Thank you.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				17 9:30 GROW Group	18	19
20 10 am Pastor Simon "Rebuilding: Gathered Together" Nehemiah 7:4-8:18 11:00 Coffee & Cake in the fellowship hall	21	22 10:00 Book Club	23 10 am WC Bible Study	24 9:30 GROW Group	25	26 7:45 Mobile Food Initiative 
27 10 am Pastor Simon "Rebuilding: Confession and Commitment" Nehemiah 9	28	29	30 10:00 WC Bible Study	31 9:30 GROW Group	1 	2
3 Communion Sunday 10 am Curry Pikkaart "All Part of God's Plan?" John 9:1-6; Romans 8:28-29	4	5 9:30 Coffee Break	6 8:00 am Men's Bible Study	7 9:30 GROW Group	8 9:30 Heritage Piecemakers	9



On Tuesday October 22 at 10:00am we will be discussing the book We Hope for Better Things by Erin Bartels. It is a powerful, riveting tale of 150 years of racism through three white women and their complex family history.



The Wednesday morning Bible Study is studying "Becoming a Welcoming Church" We meet on Wednesdays at 10:00 am. Everyone is welcome to join us. See Michael VandenBerg with any questions.



GROW Group Bible Study - Our GROW group meets every Thursday at 9:30 am. We are studying the 4th season of The Chosen. All women are invited to join us!



October is pastor appreciation month. We give thanks to Pastor Simon and his family for all they do for our church family. A few ideas to show your appreciation: a note, a phone call, some cookies or other treats. Thank you Pastor Simon!

Offering Schedule

- Oct. 20 General Fund & Faith Promise
Loose Change: Kal. Christian Schools
- Oct. 27 General Fund & Building Fund
Loose Change: Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries
- Nov. 3 General Fund & Christian Education
Loose Change: Reframe Ministries
- Nov 10 General Fund & Ministry Shares
Loose Change: Wycliffe

Offerings (deposited for October 13, 2024)

- Building Fund ~ \$90.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance Fund ~ \$95.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$260.00
- Forgotten Man Ministries ~ \$218.00
- General Fund ~ \$4,630.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$334.00

Check out the updated Missionary board. It is located right next to the mailboxes and has updated pictures and information to see.

Time to go shopping, or get out those knitting needles and crochet hooks. The hat, mitten and scarf tree is going up again this year. We look forward to helping local schools as well as the gospel mission, alternatives and domestic abuse to name a few. If you have any questions, please ask Linda DeLoof.



Mobile Food Initiative is **Saturday, October 26.**

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



See you there!

Family Faith Formation Tip

Today is Disability Awareness Sunday. First Corinthians 12 describes the church as the body of Christ—a body with many parts that play different roles. As you think about your role within your church or community, which body part(s) do you think you might be? Perhaps you are the eyes and heart, sharing empathy and kindness where you see hardship and struggle. Maybe you are the big toe, providing stability and balance. Are you like blood vessels gifted at connecting and linking others? Thank God for how God made you and how each person in God’s kingdom is essential. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: Beatitude 3: Lead Like Jesus - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion at www.kidscorner.net. “Humble Leader.” Does that sound impossible? A humble leader makes decisions because it will help everyone who looks up to them to get better at something, feel better about themselves, or grow more confident in their abilities. Being a humble leader means we don’t want “to be served, but to serve” (Mark 10:45). Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Liz and Friend Story Podcast: At Your Service.

Kids in Action - Do you know a kid doing a special ministry or a group of young people doing God’s work right now? Maybe an artist, justice-seeker, or tree planter? Nominate them to be featured in a new Kids in Action video. Do you or a friend have a story to share? We would love to hear your story. Contact us at kidscorner@reframemedia.com.

Groundwork: Encouragement When We Suffer for Being Christians - Have you ever been tempted to hide your faith for fear of judgment or ridicule? Join our Groundwork conversation as we study 1 Peter 3 to find courage in the grace of Jesus Christ to remain faithful to the gospel in the face of injustice and suffering. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.

Resonate Global Mission

Living In Hope - Women's Retreat - Come by yourself, with your mom or daughter, or with some friends and spend the weekend (November 1-3) with us at Gull Lake Ministries Center in Hickory Corners, Michigan. Enjoy the beautiful setting as we look at 1 & 2 Thessalonians to explore the theme of Living in Hope. Learn from Pamela Alderman as she leads us Friday and Saturday followed on Sunday by Marisol Cabrera. The weekend will be a wonderful time of learning and growing -- or sign up for the single day option for a quick day away! Details at globalcoffeebreak.org/events

Jubilee Banquet: Come celebrate 50 years of fruitful ministry through ICM@WMU! Join partners and supporters of the ministry for a wonderful meal, prepared and served by our students, as we hear great stories of how ICM has impacted WMU students, past and present. We'll also share updates and vision for the next season of ministry at WMU and have a chance for people to contribute towards our Jubilee Campaign and help ICM step into the next 50 years of ministry with a solid financial foundation. Please RSVP by October 23rd, so we can plan accordingly. If you are a member at one of our partner churches, talk to your leaders about joining a group of representatives from your church. If you are an individual supporter, RSVP via email to Kevin at (sonofedlef@gmail.com) to let us know how many seats you need. If you can't join us for the event, look for stories on our social media pages and an update after the event. And, if you are able and God leads, make a donation to our Jubilee Campaign before the end of the year.

