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

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
Wednesday at noon. Call,
leave a note, or e-mail to
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

Summer OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday : 8:30 am—1:30 pm
Thursday : 8:30 am—12:30 pm

Volunteer Schedule...

NURSERY: **October 2:** Ruth Wagner & Joyce Truscott
October 9: Carol Schewe & Ruth Mather

COFFEE SERVERS: **Oct 2/9:** John & Kim Bruinwood, Donna Penning, Dick & Nadine VanDam **Oct 16/23:** Glen & Ruth Wagner, Herm & Gretchen Vanders, Gary & Dorothy Broekhuizen

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

October 2: Harold Triezenberg & Phyllis Triezenberg
October 9: Bill Vroegop & Marilyn Stremer

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: **October:** Betty Vlietstra

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: **October 2:** Lisa Durian **October 9:** Pat Schewe
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 COMMUNION 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Set Free to Live Free: Honor your Father & Mother” Exodus 20:12 5 pm Rev. David Armstrong “Called and Confident” II Timothy 1:1-14	3	4 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	5	6 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am International Student Luncheon at WMU... Please drop off food by 10:30 am	7	8
9 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Set Free to Live Free: Do Not Murder” Exodus 20:13 5 pm Pastor Simon “Baptism: A Marked People” 1 John 1:7	10	11 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	12 Men’s Bible Fellowship 8 am	13 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—1 am	14	15
16 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Set Free to Live Free: Do Not Commit Adultery” 1 John 1:7 5 pm Pastor Simon “Baptism: A Promise to Our Children” Acts 2:38-39; Matt 19:14	17	18 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am Shepherding Elders 3 pm Admin Board Meeting 7 pm	19 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm	20	21	22 Mobile Food Initiative Prairie Ridge 8 am set up 9 am food drop
23 9:30 am Rev. Fritz Kruithof 5 pm Mr. Ron Lugten	24	25 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	26 Book Club 2-4 pm	27 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30-11 am	28	29



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What’s up in Worship



Birthdays
Richelle Durian ~ October 5

Thank you...
Thank you to all who helped provide “Daisy” with food this year for the Food Resource Bank. We appreciate your willingness to support this ministry.

Dear Heritage CRC: Thank you for the donation for the clothing room! We are so grateful. The clothing room is a vital part of the ministry at Alternatives. We would not be able to show the love of Christ so clearly without generous donations which you provide. Thanks again!
Amy Wolff, Advisor at Alternatives

Ministry

October Birthday/Anniversary calendars for October are at the Information Center for your use.

Prayer guides for October from the Christian Reformed church are also available for your use at the Information Center.

October 2, 2016

Mark your calendar and save the date of Wednesday, December 7 at 6:15 pm for our second annual Christmas Hostess Gathering!! Plan to attend and perhaps host a table. Be thinking of friends, neighbors, co-workers and family you might care to invite. Another great evening is being planned! More details to come!



Good Ol’ Fashion Potluck will be held on Sunday, October 30 immediately following morning worship. Please bring a hot dish, salad, or dessert to share. Lemonade, water, coffee and table service will be provided. See you there!

Men’s Bible Fellowship meets again on Wednesday, October 12 at 8 am. See you there!

International Student Luncheon: We will be helping provide lunch for the International Students at Western Michigan next Thursday, October 6. Please sign up on the table in the Narthex if you can provide a salad, casserole (meat or vegetarian), fruit or drink. (Disposable pans are available for your use on the table next to the sign up sheets.) *Please have all lunch items to church by 10:30 am on Thursday, October 6! Thank you.*

Eat Bread to Raise Dough: Please join Bible League International Volunteers on Tuesday, October 4, from 4:00-8:00 pm at the West Main Panera Bread. A percentage of the sales during that time will go to Bible League. At time of purchase, show the flyer distributed through the churches (see Barb Nieboer, Bonnie Colvin, or Carol Schewe).

Council Highlights...

Council met this past Tuesday and here are a few highlights:

- * The shepherding elders gave a verbal report on their ministry. It was noted that our home bound members receive either monthly visits or calls. Also, several of our members no longer drive but we are grateful for the volunteers who bring them to church on Sunday.
- * The shepherding deacons gave a verbal report on their ministry.
- * The August 31 financial report was reviewed with thanksgiving because of its positive outlook and evidence of faithful giving.
- * The work of the Administrative Board was reviewed and approved by the Council. It was noted that the new drive-way banners are in place, the air conditioner chiller repair is completed, and the new electric stoves have been installed.
- * Council received Pastor Simon's written report of his activities.
- * The "Back to School Bash" on Sat., Aug. 27, the Fall Carnival on Sat., Sept. 10, and the Mobile Food Initiative at Prairie Ridge School on Sat., Sept. 24 were well attended and well-staffed by our volunteer members. Our thanks to all who participated!
- * Council members who attended a Leadership Training Event at Calvin on Tue., Sept. 13 reported that the workshops were meaningful and helpful.
- * Pastor Simon, Elder Glen Wagner and Deacon Jerry Mather attended Classis Kalamazoo at Calvary CRC, Plainwell, on Tuesday, Sept. 13.
- * A Congregational Meeting to approve a new budget is slated for Sunday, December 11, 2016.
- * The next meeting is Tuesday, November 22 at 7pm.
- * Jerry Oele closed the meeting in prayer.

Missions & Missionaries...

Loaves & Fishes wish list:
October: Soups & Stews
Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall

Emails or Letters to Missionaries...

Matt & Lisa Durian ~ Joseph Mutebi
Sy & Jan Ellens ~ Jairo Solano
Ed & Karan Finch ~ Larry Spalink

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

October 2 General Fund: Christian Education
 Loose Change: Kzoo Deacons Conf
October 9 General Fund: Ministry Shares
 Loose Change: Pine Rest Chr Hosp
October 16 General Fund: Faith Promise
 Loose Change: CRC Home Missions
October 23 General Fund: Building Fund
 Loose Change: Benevolence Fund

Offerings (for September 25)

Adopt a cow ~ \$50.00
Back to God Hour ~ \$184.00
Building Fund ~ \$285.00
Calvin Seminary ~ \$25.00
Christian Education Assistance ~ \$25.00
Faith Promise ~ \$260.00
General Fund ~ \$3,292.00
Ministry Shares ~ \$125.00

A FASCINATING READ NEW TO THE CHURCH LIBRARY!

"Who Is This Man?" has just recently arrived (a donation by KF) in the church library. Author John Ortberg delivers a creative and enthralling portrayal of the life and influence of the person that Israelis call "Yeshua Ha Nozri". Pastor Ortberg addresses Jesus' influence in many thematic areas, such as the arts, the good life, marriage, true faith. I had trouble putting this book down! The author includes many historical and geographic highlights. Check out this page-turner now located in the church library.

Requested Announcements

Kalamazoo Christian Schools is pleased to announce their 4th Think Big Event will take place on Wednesday, October 12th featuring Gov. Mike Huckabee, a minister with an inspiring message of Living Out Your Faith. The event will begin with a dinner at the Kalamazoo Country Club at 4:45 pm then Gov. Huckabee will speak at Valley Family Church at 7:15 pm. Purchase tickets to either event by going online to <https://ThinkBigKalamazoo.EventBrite.com> or calling the Association Office at [269-381-2044](tel:269-381-2044) ext 110 (Connie). Gov. Huckabee will speak to the 7-12th grade students the next morning for a special chapel.

Alternatives is pleased to welcome Janet Parrshall to their 28th Annual Autumn Gala on Thursday, October 6 at the Kalamazoo Air Zoo. Janet has been consistently profiled as one of the top 100 "talkers" in Talkers magazine, the leading trade publication of the talk industry. The cost is FREE but you are required to RSVP. For more information or to register, go to alternativescc.org/kzoo/gala or call 269-345-1740 x 18.

Kalamazoo Christian Middle School Fundraiser- CHICAGO BUS TRIP- Tuesday, December 6th. The bus is reserved- no guarantee how many buses we will take this year! Sign up NOW to make sure you will be on the bus and able to join us for a fun day in the Windy City. Chartered bus departs sharply at 8 AM from Valley Family Church. The ride will include fun fellowship, snacks and prizes! We are offering an early bird price of \$49/person until October 31. Regular price of \$59 begins November 1. Seats will only be reserved once payment is received. Checks can be made out to Kalamazoo Christian Middle School and turned in at the 12th Street Campus or sent to Rachel Sanderson, 7480 Morganshire Court, Kalamazoo, MI 49009. Any questions, contact Rsanderson@allenedwin.com or 269-352-7678. Please include your email and cell number with your payment.

Almond Paste SALE: Kalamazoo Christian High School Grad Bash Fundraiser 2017. \$8 for one pound in zip lock freezer bag. Please email Sarah at dirksen6roofers@sbcglobal.net or call 269-217-0237. Pick up is Saturday, November 5 at Grace CRC. (Just in time for all your holiday baking!)



Every person needs to feel appreciated. Pastors, and their spouses, are no exception. How can you show your appreciation?

A note of thanks...
A verbal, "Thank you"...
A plate of cookies...
A lunch outing...
Or a chocolate bar of any size!!

Remember: It doesn't have to be a BIG thing to be a BIG deal!

Do you have a heart for the elderly, our "Fathers and Mothers?" Do you feel blessed to help those in need? If so, you are invited to support the **"Bake-less Bake Sale" of Park Village Pines**, the only Christian senior care community in Kalamazoo. Instead of baking cookies, please consider enclosing a gift in the envelope that has been put in your mailbox to support our Resident Assistance Fund. This fund helps long term residents who through no fault of their own can no longer afford the cost of their care. The need for funds increases steadily and exceeded the amount available by \$50,000 last year. Please use the envelope in your mailbox to give your contribution to contact person Ann Nieboer by October 16. Thank you for caring.

Wings of God 6th Annual Benefit Dinner! Please join us on Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 6 pm at Lawton Community Center, Lawton, MI. Contact us at 269-415-0777 or obtain a downloadable form from our web page at wingsofGodinc.org. Our email address is info@wingsofGodinc.org. Please join us in our mission to continue sharing the love of Christ with our residents.