

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:

Sep 29 & Oct 6 Bob & Mary Deters/Matt & Lisa Durian
Oct 13 & 20 Glen & Ruth Wagner/Dorothy Broekhuizen, Rose Dame

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

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SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

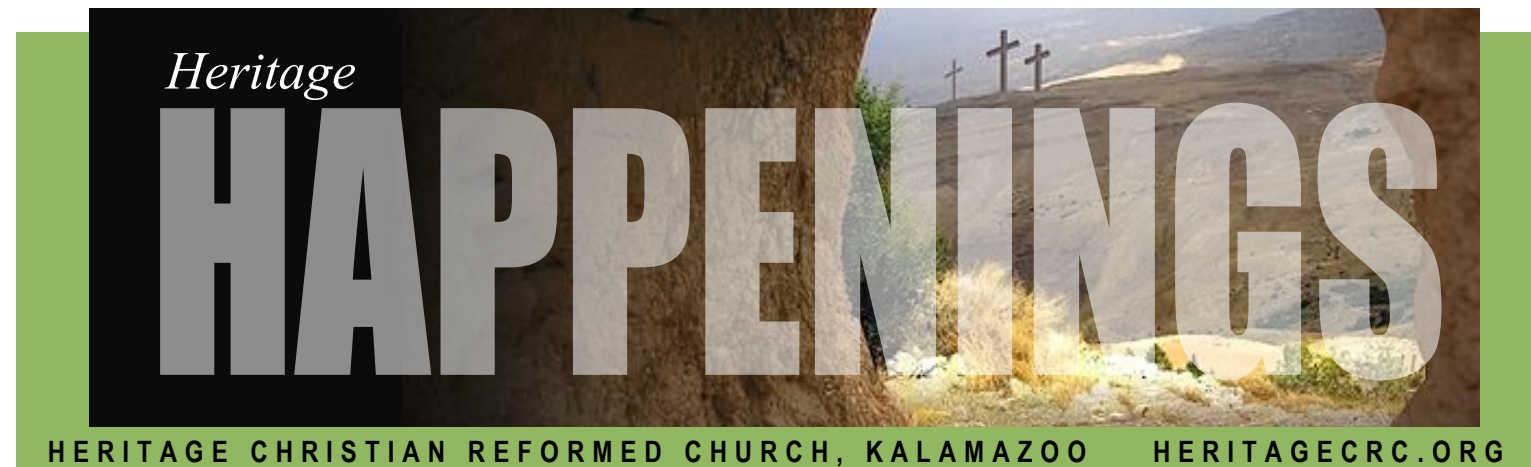
MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

Oct. 6 - Ian Tuin
Oct. 13 - Chris Vandenberg
Oct. 20 - Paul Booden
Oct. 27 - Lisa Durian

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

10/6 - Cheri Gavin & Joy Knurr
10/13 - Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur
10/20 - Wendy Rose & Nancy Vandenberg
10/27 - Mary Deters & Barb Razenberg

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				3 9:30 GROW Group	4	5
6 Communion Sunday 10 am Pastor Simon "Rebuilding: Responding to Trouble" Nehemiah 5 11:30 All Church Potluck	7	8 7 pm Admin Council	9 10 am WC Bible Study	10 9:30 GROW Group	11 9:30 Heritage Piecemakers	12
13 10 am Pastor Simon "Rebuilding: Intimidation and Project Completion" Nehemiah 6-7:3	14	15 9:30 Coffee Break 3:30 Shep. Elders	16 10:00 WC Bible Study	17 9:30 GROW Group	18	19
20 10 am Pastor Simon "Rebuilding: Gathered Together" Nehemiah 7:4-8:18	21	22 10:00 Book Club	23 10:00 WC Bible Study	24 9:30 GROW Group	25	26 7:45 Mobile Food Initiative



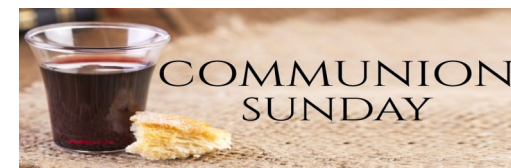
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What's up in Worship



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 4, "**Rebuilding: Responding to Trouble**".



This Sunday, October 6, is Communion Sunday. We invite all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God and confess Jesus as their Savior, to join us at the table of our Lord for Communion. Trays will be passed down each pew, if you prefer you can pick up prefilled cups in the lobby before the service.

Celebrations...

Anniversaries...

Dan & Deb VanderMeer ~ October 10



Our next church potluck is scheduled for this Sunday, October 6. We hope to see everyone there! If you are able please bring a dish to pass. All tableware and drinks will be provided. Come enjoy some delicious food and wonderful fellowship!

What's Happening This Week

Church Calendar for October 6-12:

- Sunday 10:00 Worship Service
11:30 All church potluck
- Tuesday 7:00 Admin Council
- Wednesday 10:00 WC Bible Study
- Thursday 9:30 GROW Group
- Friday 9:30 Heritage Piecemakers

Update on Preschool: On Tuesday, the architect from Dan Vos Construction presented a preliminary draft for the proposed addition for the KCSA early education program. Large print versions of the preliminary plans are now available – one on the Fellowship Hall (near the kitchen) and the other in the lobby/narthex and feedback from the congregation is welcomed. If you have any questions, please talk to Bob Razenberg or Ernie Waterhouse.

Offering Schedule

- Oct. 6 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance
Loose Change: Pacific Island Ministries
- Oct. 13 General Fund & Ministry Shares
Loose Change: Forgotten Man Ministries
- Oct. 20 General Fund & Faith Promise
Loose Change: Kal. Christian Schools
- Oct. 27 General Fund & Building Fund
Loose Change: Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries

Offerings (deposited for September 29, 2024)

- Building Fund ~ \$220.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance Fund ~ \$10.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$35.00
- General Fund ~ \$10,830.00
- Luke Society ~ \$195.00
- Memorial Fund ~ \$50.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$45.00



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 and to request a book.

GROW GROUP

GROW GROUP BIBLE STUDY - Our GROW group has begun! Meetings are on Thursdays at 9:30 am. We plan to study the 4th season of The Chosen. All women are invited to join us!



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.



Reformation Hymn Festival: You are invited to a free musical event that will explore the Christian life through the great hymns of the faith, accompanied by talented instrumentalists and singers from area churches. Come join your voices with ours as we rejoice in a salvation that is by grace alone! **Saturday, October 19th, 6:30PM** at Community Presbyterian Church (811 Gorham Lane, Kalamazoo).

Resonate Global Mission

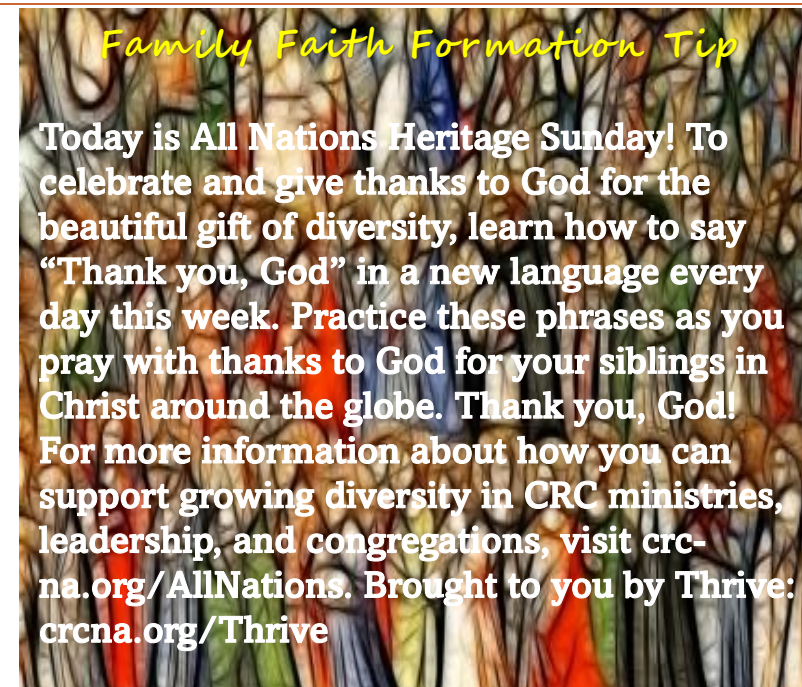
Living In Hope - Women's Retreat - Come by yourself, with your mom or daughter, or with some friends and spend the weekend (November 1-3) with us at Gull Lake Ministries Center in Hickory Corners, Michigan. Enjoy the beautiful setting as we look at 1 & 2 Thessalonians to explore the theme of Living in 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

World Renew

Hurricane Helene Response - World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS) is preparing to respond to Hurricane Helene in the most affected communities from Florida to North Carolina. You can help people whose homes and property have been flooded or destroyed since Helene made landfall on Thursday, Sept. 26, 2024. Please give generously to World Renew DRS as we help families rebuild and recover their lives. Donate online at worldrenew.net/hurricanehelene, call 1-800-552-7972, or make out your check to World Renew DRS, with Hurricane Helene written in the memo line, and mail to: World Renew, 8970 Byron Commerce Dr., SW, Byron Center, MI, 49315.

Calvin University

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Turkey and the Seven Churches of Revelation - (May 27 - June 8, 2025) Visit ancient sites connected with Paul's first, second, and third missionary journeys as well as the seven churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational biblical tour. Contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu.



ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: Beatitude 1: Depend on God - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Matthew 5:3 is all about dependence. But what does it mean to depend on God? Can you think of one way to practice relying on God this week? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Liz and Friend Story Podcast: Change of Plans.

Groundwork: Live a Holy Life Set Apart for God - When the culture we live in makes our faith feel restrictive, the apostle Peter encourages believers to embrace a new perspective. Join Groundwork as we study 1 Peter 1:13-2:3 to learn what it means to live a holy life, set apart by God for his purposes, and how God's Word provides the spiritual sustenance we need to maintain an active faith in all circumstances. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

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: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCutET663hVzpPohBMiCXEQA>. 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.