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

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:  
Thursday by 9:00 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

October 6: Barb Razenberg & John Bruinwood  
October 13: Ellen Byle & LilliAnn Durian

COFFEE SERVERS

Oct 6: Phil & Barb Nieboer, Ken & Judy Fletcher, Dick & Nadine Van Dam  
Oct 13/20: Ferrel & Marilyn Stremler, Norm & Bonnie Langeland, Pat & Carol Schewe

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: October: Gretchen Vanders

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: October 6: Lisa Durian October 13: Pat Schewe  
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6 COMMUNION 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Gracelines: From Generation to Generation” Genesis 5:1-32  5 pm Pastor Simon “God’s Undying Love” Hosea 11	7	8 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am  Admin Board Meeting 7 pm	9 P.U.S.H. Prayer Meeting 7 pm (new date)	10 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	11	12
13 9:30 am Pastor Simon “Noah: God’s Justice & Mercy” Genesis 6-8  5 pm Pastor Simon “Rend Your Hearts” Joel 2:12-17	14	15 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am  Shepherding Elders Meeting 7 pm	16	17 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	18	19
20 9:30 am Rev. Mark Scheffers “Face to Face” Genesis 32:22-32  5 pm Pastor Simon “A Famine of Hearing” Amos 8:11-14	21	22 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	23 Book Club 2 pm	24	25	26 Mobile Food Initiative Centerpoint 8 am set up 9 am food delivery
27 9:30 am Mr. Joey DeKoekkoek  5 pm Mr. Joey DeKoekkoek	28	29 Coffee Break Bible Study 9:30—11 am	30	31 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	1 	2



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What’s up in Worship

**Sermon Series:** The book of Genesis is where God’s story of redemption begins. The word Genesis itself means “beginnings.” In this sermon series on Genesis 1-11, we will see the good news of God’s grace and faithfulness from the very beginning, even when the people God made become the greatest threat to the fulfillment of His promises. Join us as we continue this series today.



**Today is also 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. Please note that in the center of each basket of bread are gluten-free crackers.

**Missionary Update:** Next Sunday (October 13) we will receive a Mission Update from Jason & Grace VanAnkum, missionaries we support at Action International Ministries and their work at Beauty for Ashes Transformation house, a residence for women exiting human trafficking, the sex trade and addiction into a stable lifestyle, working alongside already existing long term community programs.

Celebrations Birthdays...

Matt Miller ~ October 10



October 6, 2019

Ministry

**Get Plugged in at Heritage Church:** If you are interested in becoming a member of Heritage Church, or would just like to find out more about who we are, please connect with Pastor Simon or contact him at pastorsimon@heritagecrc.org.

**Budget 2020:** As we move into the Fall season it’s time to prepare the 2020 Budget. All ministries that need to be supported by the upcoming budget are asked to have their requests turned in to Matt Durian no later than October 27, 2019.

**Office Hours:** Sue will be out of the office on Wednesday, October 16 and Thursday, October 17. She will, however, be in the office on Friday, October 18.

**P.U.S.H. (Pray Until Something Happens) ~** Join us this Wednesday, October 9 at 7pm for our monthly prayer gathering. All are welcome to join us for a time of worship and prayer. Please note the change in schedule to the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

**Pastor Appreciation Month is here!** In the busyness of ministry it’s easy to miss opportunities to express appreciation for those who work so hard for God’s Kingdom—our pastors. Take a moment this October to thank Pastor Simon with a note, phone call, batch of cookies, lunch, chocolate, etc.





**Nursery help needed!** Please prayerfully consider helping in our nursery if you are able; even if it is only one Sunday a year. You can even let know what Sunday/month/season works best for you. We presently have some incredibly dedicated workers and it would be wonderful to add to those numbers. Please contact Barb Razenberg at 269-501-2821 or email me at [bb5razenberg@att.net](mailto:bb5razenberg@att.net).

- Council Report** (9/24/19 Meeting)
- o The Shepherding Elders shared a verbal report on their work including an initiative to provide greater insight to the small group ministry.
  - o The Shepherding Deacons shared a verbal report on their work highlighting their ministry to the community through the benevolent fund.
  - o The work of the Administrative Board was reviewed. This included the approval of a request from International Family Ministry to rent the church facility for a Family Conference October 25-27 and a request to the Classis Kalamazoo Safe Church coordinator to assist us in updating our Safe Church Policy. It was also noted that a commercial assessment on the property potentially for sale along 11th street will be completed soon, and a final recommendation will be brought to the congregation. In light of this timeline, the replacement of the parking lot and driveway will not take place in 2019.
  - o Long Range Planning Committee Report: Donn Carlisle, chair, is stepping down from the Long-Range Planning Committee due to time constraints. The Administrative Board will seek out a new chairperson.
  - o The August financial report was reviewed and received for information.
  - o Pastor Simon provided a detailed report of his activities for the past two months.
  - o The council spent time in Mutual Censure and discussed the work the Lord has committed us to as a church and its office bearers.
  - o A verbal and written report was shared on Synod 2019 with special focus on the Reimagined Ministry Share program.
  - o A verbal report was given regarding Classis Kalamazoo meeting held on Tuesday, September 10.
  - o Next regular Council Meeting is Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 7 pm.

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...**  
Rick & Donna Lingbeek ~ David Heath  
Esther Manni ~ VanAnkum Family  
Jerry & Ruth Mather ~ Joseph Mutebi  
*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

- Oct 6: General Fund: Christian Ed Assistance  
Loose Change: Resonate Global Miss
- Oct 13: General Fund: Ministry Shares  
Loose Change: Pine Rest
- Oct 20: General Fund: Faith Promise  
Loose Change: Benevolence Fund
- Oct 27: General Fund: Building Fund  
Loose Change: K-zoo Chr Schools

**Offerings (deposited for September 29)**  
Alternatives of Kalamazoo ~ \$278.00  
Building Fund ~ \$10.00  
Christian Education Assistance ~ \$25.00  
Faith Promise ~ \$50.00  
General Fund ~ \$3,227.00  
Ministry Shares ~ \$70.00




Requested Announcements

**Please join us** for a complimentary seminar **UPDATING YOUR WILL & ESTATE PLAN** hosted by Kalamazoo Christian School Foundation. It will be held on Thursday, October 17, 2019 at Kalamazoo Country Club from 6-8 pm. Hors d'Oeuvres and refreshments served. Learn how to save money, increase income, and lower taxes through wise estate planning AND how to ensure a smooth conflict free administration of your estate and trust. Guest speaker will be Attorney John (Jack) Van Slambrouk. Please RSVP by October 7 to [Istehouwer@kcsa.org](mailto:Istehouwer@kcsa.org) or 269-760-4711. Limited seating available.

**Coach Lou Holtz Fundraiser** at Miller Auditorium in Kalamazoo: Save Monday, October 21 at 7:30 pm for a unique opportunity to hear former Notre Dame football coach Lou Holtz speak at a joint fundraising event. KCSA and the Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Kalamazoo have joined together for a one-time fundraiser to benefit faith-based education in SW Michigan. Go to [kalmazoounitedinpurpose.com](http://kalmazoounitedinpurpose.com) to get your \$25.00 reserved seats.

**Join the VIS Team!** VIS (Volunteers in Service) is seeking a Director of Operations and Training full-time. If you are interested in learning more or to apply, visit the VIS website at [visgr.org](http://visgr.org). Accepting resumes through October 9, 2019.

**Kalamazoo Christian School** is in need of more bus drivers. Drivers are needed for substitute drivers, athletics, field trips, and the opportunity for regular hours will be available. All training will be done at our school by our bus supervisor and bus drivers. Contact Lisa Bosch for more information at [Lbosch@kcsa.org](mailto:Lbosch@kcsa.org). Contact Kendra Muller for an application at [kmuller@kcsa.org](mailto:kmuller@kcsa.org).



*Family Faith Formation Tip*

Today is World Communion Sunday. If you have kids at home, check out the picture book *God's Very Good Idea: A True Story of God's Delightfully Different Family* by Trillia Newbell. It's part of a wonderful series called "Tales that Tell the Truth" from The Good Book Company, all of which would be great additions to your picture book library.

