

Heritage CRC

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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: 9:30 am—2:30 pm
Thursday: 11:30 am—2:30 pm

Volunteer Schedule...

NURSERY: October 8: Tara Razenberg & Ellen Byle
October 15: Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur

COFFEE SERVERS:

Oct. 1/8: Ken & Ellen Byle, Herm & Gretchen Vanders, Ken & Dorothy VanDenBerg
Oct. 15/22: Dave & Carol Bonselaar, Sue Mejeur, Fred & Pam Gould

HALLMARK LIVING

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

October 8: Bill Vroegop & Ellen Byle
October 15: Gary Broekhuizen

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: October: Gretchen Vanders

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY: October 8: Pat Schewe October 15: Paul Booden
PM: Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Tempted in the Wilderness" 1 Samuel 23-24 5:00 pm Pastor Mike Koetje "Gospel Living" Philippians 1:18-30	9	10 Coffee break Bible Study 9:30 –11 am Admin. Board Meeting 7 pm	11	12 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am International Student Luncheon	13	14
15 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Of Beauty and Fools" I Samuel 25 5:00 pm Pastor Simon "What Kind of Comforter" Romans 5:12-20	16 Pastor Simon on Vacation Oct. 16—23	17 Coffee break Bible Study 9:30 –11 am Shepherding Elders 3 pm	18 PUSH Prayer Meeting 7 pm	19	20	21
22 9:30 am Rev. Fritz Kruithof "Who's Found Faithful?" 1 Samuel 26:23-24; Jude 1-11 5:00 pm Rev. Chet Carlson	23	24 Coffee break Bible Study 9:30 –11 am	25 Book Club 2 pm	26 G.R.O.W. Bible Study 9:30—11 am	27	28 Mobile Food Initiative Prairie Ridge Elementary 8 am Set up 9 am Food drop
29 REFORMATION SUNDAY 9:30 am Pastor Simon "From Rags to Righteousness" Isaiah 64:6; Romans 5:1-2 5:00 pm Pastor Simon A Service of Doxologies	30	31 Coffee break Bible Study 9:30 –11 am	1 Men's Bible Fellowship 8 am	2	3 	4

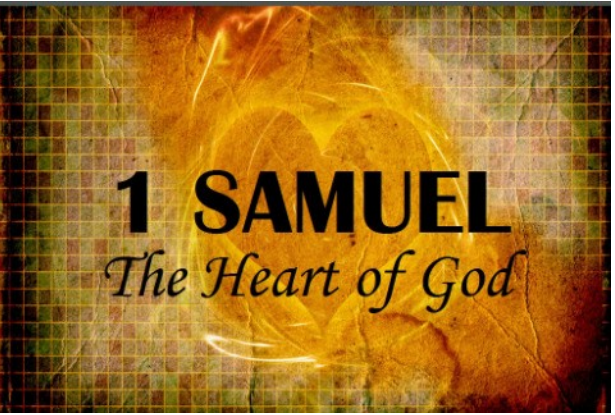
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HAPPENINGS

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What's up in Worship

David: A King After God's Own Heart"...the story of David—a shepherd boy who become King—is one of the most extraordinary accounts in the Bible. Like every story in the Bible, it reminds us we are not what we ought to be and yet God is always as He will be. Join us as we explore the life of David and learn what it means to live a life after God's heart and how this ultimately leads us to our need for Jesus.



Celebrations

Birthdays

Matt Miller ~ October 10
Don Carlisle ~ October 13

Schedule Change . . .

Heather will be out of the office the week of October 16 so there will be no Newsletter October 22. Please plan your newsletter announcements accordingly. Thank you!



October 8, 2017

Ministry. . .



Special Offering:

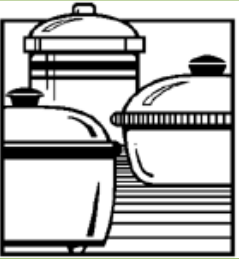
In light of the many recent natural disasters including hurricanes and earthquakes, the deacons would like to give you another opportunity to help those whose homes and lives have been devastated.

On Sunday, October 8, our morning offering will again be for **WORLD RENEW** to be used to alleviate the suffering caused by these natural disasters. As the Lord has blessed you, please give to bless others.

Sunday School & Catechism classes will be starting up this morning, October 8, following the morning worship service at 10:50 am. Sunday school classes will meet in the Education Wing and Catechism will meet in Room 10 off of the main office.

International Student Luncheon:

We will be helping provide lunch for the International Students at Western Michigan again on Thursday, October 12. 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.) Thank you.



Council News

Council Report for 9/27/2017

- Pastor Simon opened with devotions based on Hebrews 11.
- The council discussed Chapter 1 of “Growing Young: 6 Essential Strategies to Help Young People Discover and Love Your Church.”
- The Shepherding Deacons shared a verbal update on their work. Gratitude was shared for the recent offering for World Renew (\$3,500). In view of the continued natural disasters in Mexico, Puerto Rico and Caribbean, a second offering is scheduled for Sunday, October 8.
- The Shepherding Elders shared a verbal report on their work. It was noted that the new season of Sunday School will begin Sunday, October 8. Kim Bruinwood and Teri Wagner will teach the youngest class, Pastor Simon the high schoolers, and the middle school class to be taught by several members: Glen Wagner (October), Judy Wieringa (November), Emma Schering (December), Ferrel Stremmer (January), Ellen By- le (February), and March (TBA).
- The work of the Administrative Board was re- viewed by the council. Items of note:
 - ♦ Received resignation of Zach Razenberg as a shepherding deacon and made plans to affirm and install Judy Wieringa to complete the remainder of the term of office on the council.
 - ♦ Council approved the “Restated Articles of Incorporation” with plans to proceed with the required congregational approval at the De- cember 10th Congregational Meeting. A copy of the materials will be distributed in the coming weeks.
 - ♦ Council approved the updated “By Laws.” A copy of the materials will be distributed in the coming weeks.
- Council received Pastor Simon's written report of his activities.
- Pastor Simon and Jerry Mather gave a brief sum- mary of the September 12 meeting of Classis Kalamazoo.
- During a time of Mutual Censure the council re- viewed the ministry of Heritage CRC, expressed gratitude for the faithful ministry and support of the congregation, and discussed how God is call- ing us to be on mission as a church.
- Next Council meeting is Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 7 P.M.

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...

Bill & Ruth Vroegop ~ Jerry An

Glen & Ruth Wagner ~ David Heath

Terri Wagner ~ 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. 8	General Fund: Ministry Shares Loose Change: World Renew
Oct. 15	General Fund: Faith Promise Loose Change: CRC Home Missions
Oct. 22	General Fund: Building Fund Loose Change: Benevolence Fund
Oct. 29	General Fund Loose Change: Park Village Pines

Offerings (deposited for September 3)

Benevolence Fund ~ \$100
Building Fund ~ \$855.00
Christian Education Assistance ~ \$125.00
Faith Promise ~ \$415.00
General Fund ~ \$6,397.00
KDC ~ \$365.00
Ministry Shares ~\$25.00

Council News Continued. . .

The council recently accepted the resignation of Zach Razenberg as a shepherding deacon. This morning, the congregation will be asked to affirm by voice vote the recommendation of the council to elect Judy Wieringa as a shepherding deacon. If approved, the installation will take place on Sunday, October 15.

If there are any questions, please contact Phil Nieboer or Jerry Oele.

Budget 2017: As we approach the end of 2017 it's time to prepare the 2018 Budget. All minis- tries that need to be supported by the upcom- ing budget are asked to submit their requests by October 18, 2017

Requested Announcements

Park Village Pines Fall Gala Banquet will be held on Thursday, October 26 at the Radisson Plaza. The featured speaker will be Lt. Colonel Oliver North (ret.), decorated combat U.S. Ma- rine, syndicated columnist, author, conservative political commentator, and deeply committed Christian. To indicate your desire to attend this no-cost event, please call Angie at 269-372- 1928. Valet parking is available for those re- quiring assistance—small fee applies.

Holiday Bazaar: Prairie Edge Church's 6th Annual Holiday Bazaar is on November 11 from 9am-2pm. There are still openings for vendors. 8 foot tables are \$35 and 6 foot tables are \$30. If you have question or are interested in reserving a spot, please contact Cheryl Yon- kers at 269-547-4533.



The Upside Down Banquet: Bethany Chris- tian Services is dedicating our fall banquet to celebrating the generous and surprising invita- tion of God: Everyone is welcome! Please join us for this inspiring evening of celebration November 2 at the Cityscape Event Center with musical guests Orchestra Rouh. Doors open at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6 pm. There is no charge to attend this event. Corporate and ta- ble sponsorships are available. Please RSVP by October 20, 2017 on line at [https:// www.bethany.org/kalamazoo/events/the-upside -down-banquet](https://www.bethany.org/kalamazoo/events/the-upside-down-banquet) or via email to lrutz@bethany.org or calling 269-492-1906.

Job Opening: Kalamazoo Gospel Mission is looking for a Volunteer Coordinator to promote and coordinate the involvement of volunteers as well as oversee the implementation of volunteer policies and assist co-workers with volunteer utilization. This would be a full-time position. A full job description is available upon request. Please send resumes to Wanda Best at wbest@kzoogospel.org



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!

Mentors Needed: We are looking for willing individuals to walk along side our clients who are enrolled in our long-term program at the **Kalama- zoo Gospel Mission**. Our requirements for mentors are simple: they must be a believer in Jesus, love others, and have a 2-4 hour per month (min. of 1 hour every other week) to spend with a client. If you have any questions, or are interested in mentoring, please contact Katrina at (269) 345-2074 x 248.



Michigan Festival of Sacred Music is presenting another spectacular lineup of musi- cians for its annual festival Oct. 22, Nov. 3-6 and Nov. 26. Tickets and information at www.mfsm.us or 269-382-2910.