

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
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday: 8:00 am —12:00 pm
Thursday: 8:00 am —12:00 pm

Volunteer Schedule...

COFFEE SERVERS:

Sep. 15 & 22 Fred & Pam Gould/Norm & Bonnie Langeland
Sep 29 & Oct 6 Bob & Mary Deters/Bob & Barb Razenberg

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org



SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

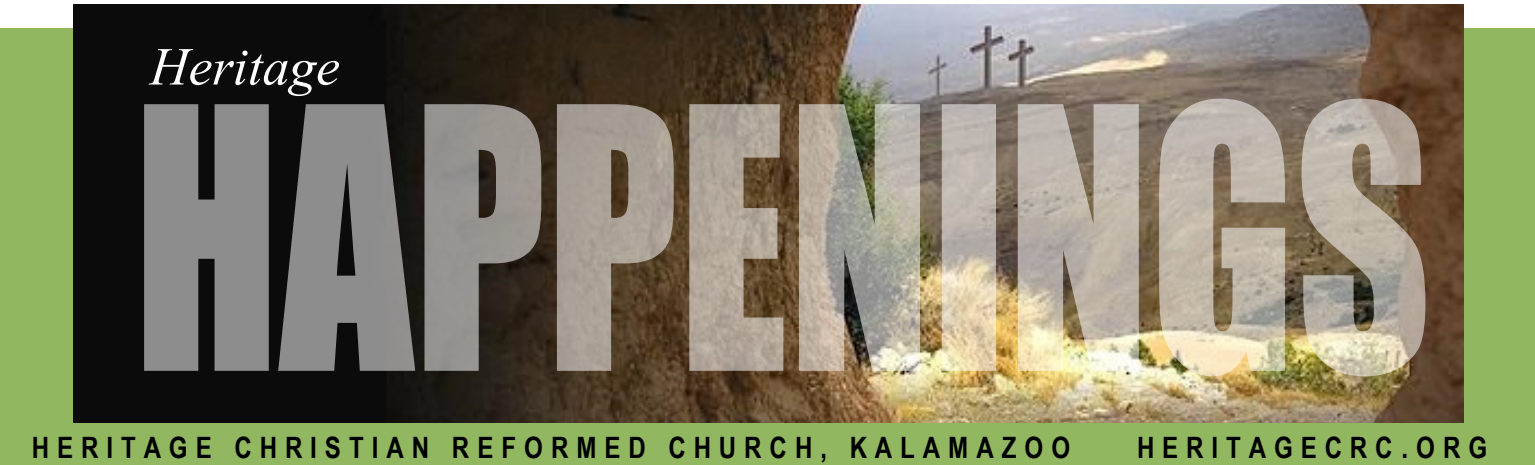
MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

Sep. 15 - Paul Booden
Sep. 22 - Lisa Durian
Sep. 29 - Ian Tuin
Oct. 6 - Ian Tuin

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

9/15 - Wendy Rose & Barb Razenberg
9/22 - Joy Knurr & Nancy Vandenberg
9/29 - Sue Florian & Joyce Truscott

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				12 9:30 GROW Group	13	14
15 10 am Pastor Simon "Rebuilding: A Bold Request & Survey" Nehemiah 2	16	17 11:30 Picnic for all ladies of the church 3:30 Shep. Elders	18	19 9:30 GROW Group 11:00 International Student Luncheon	20	21
22 10 am Pastor Simon "Rebuilding: The Work Begins" Nehemiah 3	23	24 10:00 Book Club 7:00 Council	25	26 9:30 GROW Group	27	28 7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative 
29 10 am Pastor Simon "Rebuilding: In the Face of Opposition" Nehemiah 4	30	1 9:30 Coffee Break 	2 8 am Men's Bible Study	3 9:30 GROW Group	4	5



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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 2, "**Rebuilding: A Bold Request & Survey**".



The next **International Student Luncheon** is this Thursday, September 19. Sign up sheets are on the table by the office. Foil pans are available. All food needs to be to church and ready to go by 11:00 am on September 19. Thank you!

Address Updates

Taylor & Hayley Bruinwood
93 Pine Street
Madison, ME 04950

Kelsey Bruinwood
133 W. Cottage Ave - Unit B
Sandy, UT 84070

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

Cassidy Brennan ~ September 16
Mary Deters ~ September 17
Nancy Vandenberg ~ September 17
Vince Romano ~ September 18
Jan Pangle ~ September 20



Anniversaries...

Terry & Sue Florian ~ September 16



Church Calendar for September 15-21:

Sunday	10:00	Worship Service
Tuesday	11:30	Picnic for all ladies of the church
	3:30	Shepherding Elders
Wednesday	9:30	Welcoming Church Bible Study
Thursday	9:30	GROW Group
	11:00	International Student Luncheon

Council News

Roof replacement update: The contract with E.V.S Construction has been signed. The price for the materials and labor are as follows: To remove old shingles and install new standing seam metal roofing, the cost for materials and labor is \$150,600.00. The cost for 750' of snow bar is \$11,500.00. The snow bar is a safety feature that is needed to prevent snow from sliding off as the snow melts. The total cost of the new roof will be \$162,100.00.

It looks like work will commence around the end of September or beginning of October. The funds to pay for the roof will be taken from our savings and the building fund. If anyone from the congregation would like to give money for the new roof they can certainly do so. Please make sure the donation is marked "new church roof". Please let us know if you have any further questions.

Heritage CRC Council



On Tuesday Sept 24 at 10:00 join us to discuss The Next Ship Home by Heather Webb. Two women have come to America to fulfill their dreams. As they face the misdeeds of a system known to manipulate and abuse immigrants, they form an unlikely friendship. They also share a terrible secret that alters their fate and the lives of the immigrants who come after them. See Dorothy Broekhuizen.



The **Wednesday Bible Study** will begin again on September 18. We will study "Becoming a Welcoming Church" and the cost of the book is \$5.00 for any in the congregation who would like to take part in the study. We will meet on Wednesdays at 10:00 am starting September 18 and going for 6 weeks. See Michael VandenBerg with any questions and to request a book.

Offering Schedule

- Sep. 15 General Fund & Faith Promise
Loose Change: Calvin Theological Seminary
- Sep. 22 General Fund & Benevolence Fund
Loose Change: Building Fund
- Sep. 29 General Fund
Loose Change: Luke Society
- Oct. 6 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance
Loose Change: Pacific Island Ministries

Offerings (deposited for September 8, 2024)

- Alternatives of Kalamazoo ~ \$400.00
- Building Fund ~ \$100.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$55.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$315.00
- General Fund ~ \$4,755.00
- Growing Hope Globally ~ \$150.00
- Kalamazoo Christian ~ \$260.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$415.00



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

Ladies: Dig out your vintage lunch box or a brown paper bag. It's time for our annual gathering for lunch before all the fall activities begin. Coffee & water will be provided. If anyone has a recipe they want to try, tasters await! We will meet on **Tuesday, September 17 at 11:30**. The picnic will be at the Oshtemo Township Park, 7275 W. Main Street, behind the Oshtemo Firehouse. **All ladies are invited**, we hope you can join us! Any questions, see Betty or Joyce.

Coffee Break will begin on October 1 at 9:30 AM. We will be discussing a book on the 12 disciples. Coffee Break is open to all ladies. Contact Ellen Byle at 269-349-1122 in regard to getting the book for study.



Bible League

Each year the Bible League volunteers send out a special fundraising letter to you. Together we are equipping Christians and churches all over the globe to engage people in the Word of God. As a result, God's Kingdom is growing! Look for this letter in your church mailbox and pray for God's word to change lives. Thank you, Bonnie Colvin & Barb Nieboer.

Grief Share is a 13 week grief recovery support group that meets at Prairie Edge CRC, 9316 Oakland Dr. The group meets on Thursdays, September 19-December 12 from 6-8 pm. For more information contact Pastor Bill Fernhout, 269-760-3744 or visit griefshare.org.



The Bible League presents: **The Helmsmen - Southern Gospel in Michigan**, on Thursday, September 19 at Westwood CRC. Light refreshments will be served at 6:30 and the concert is at 7:00 pm.

Classis Kalamazoo is seeking a nominee for the Council of Delegates (the governing board of the CRC). This is a three-year term starting July 1, 2025, renewable for a second three-year term. You can learn more about the Council of Delegates here: [Council of Delegates | Christian Reformed Church \(crcna.org\)](http://Council of Delegates | Christian Reformed Church (crcna.org)). If you would like to put forward someone as a nominee, or nominate yourself, please submit their/your name and a brief bio to Rev. Mike Koetje, interim Stated Clerk, at classiskalamazoostatedclerk@gmail.com by September 30.

Family Faith Formation Tip

For ALL
We all do things that are wrong and not pleasing to God. Paul writes in Romans 3:23 that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (NIV). When we do wrong, people get hurt by our actions, words, and even the things we should do but don't. How have your actions brought others harm? To whom do you need to say you are sorry this week? Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

ReFrame Ministries

Groundwork: Understanding God's Judgment - Judgment and consequences can feel unfair and mean. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Ezekiel 14 and 22 to better understand God's judgment: where it comes from, what it means, why it's necessary, and why it's also a source of grace. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Kids Corner: Heart Checkups - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. As you sit in church or go to Sunday School, try to listen for something you can do during the week to come. God does not wait to use you until you are older, so as you are listening for something you can do, listen for someone you can encourage this week as well! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Church in Action comic book.



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.