

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH, KALAMAZOOHERITAGECRC.ORG

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. 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. 22 - Lisa Durian  
Sep. 29 - Ian Tuin  
Oct. 6 - Ian Tuin  
Oct. 13 - Chris VandenBerg

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:  
9/22 - Joy Knurr & Nancy VandenBerg  
9/29 - Sue Florian & Joyce Truscott  
10/6 - Cheri Gavin & Joy Knurr  
10/13 - Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur

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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 3, **“Rebuilding: The Work Begins”**.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

There is an updated address sheet for Sue and Tyler Mejeur in your mailboxes, please add it to your directories.

Thank you so much for your July gift of \$1,076.20. We appreciate your partnership and faithfulness to Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries. 315 men, women and children had dinner and spent the night last night and your gift helped provide their basic needs. Demand for our services is up 19% from a year ago so your help keeps the lights on! Blessings, Mary at KGM.

| Sun   | Mon | Tue                                   | Wed                         | Thu                   | Fri                             | Sat                                      |
|---|-----|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--|
|   |     |                                       |                             | 19<br>9:30 GROW Group | 20                              | 21                                       |
| 22<br>10 am Pastor Simon<br>“Rebuilding: The Work Begins”<br>Nehemiah 3           | 23  | 24<br>10:00 Book Club<br>7:00 Council | 25<br>10 :00 WC Bible Study | 26<br>9:30 GROW Group | 27                              | 28<br>7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative<br> |
| 29<br>10 am Pastor Simon<br>“Rebuilding: In the Face of Opposition”<br>Nehemiah 4 | 30  | 1<br>9:30 Coffee Break<br>            | 2<br>8 am Men’s Bible Study | 3<br>9:30 GROW Group  | 4                               | 5  |
| 6<br>10 am Pastor Simon<br>“Rebuilding: Responding to Trouble”<br>Nehemiah 5      | 7   | 8<br>7 pm Admin Council               | 9<br>10:00 WC Bible Study   | 10<br>9:30 GROW Group | 11<br>9:30 Heritage Piecemakers | 12                                       |

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

Laura Goethe ~ September 25  
Carol Schewe ~ September 25  
Fred Gould ~ September 27  
Ruth Mather ~ September 27  
Brianna Piontek ~ September 27  
Dorothy Broekhuizen ~ September 28

Anniversaries...

Richard & Nadine VanDam ~ September 26

Church Calendar for September 22-28:

|           |               |                              |
|-----------|---------------|------------------------------|
| Sunday    | 10:00         | Worship Service              |
| Tuesday   | 10:00<br>7:00 | Book Club<br>Council         |
| Wednesday | 10:00         | Welcoming Church Bible Study |
| Thursday  | 9:30          | GROW Group                   |
| Saturday  | 7:45 am       | Mobile Food Initiative       |



Council News

Roof replacement update: 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

**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.



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 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.

Offering Schedule

- 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
- Oct. 13 General Fund & Ministry Shares  
Loose Change: Forgotten Man Ministries

Offerings (deposited for September 15, 2024)

- Building Fund ~ \$10,120.00
- Calvin Theological Seminary ~ \$90.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$397.00
- General Fund ~ \$4,077.00
- Growing Hope Globally ~ \$110.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$50.00



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!



Mobile Food Initiative is **Saturday, September 28.**

7:45 AM at Heritage CRC.

See you there!



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](http://griefshare.org).

**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://CouncilofDelegatesChristianReformedChurch.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](mailto:classiskalamazoostatedclerk@gmail.com) by September 30.

Our next church potluck is scheduled for **October 6!** We hope to everyone there! If able please bring a dish to pass. All tableware and drinks will be provided.



Family Faith Formation Tip

One way we can participate in the mission of God is by living justly. To live justly is to pray and stand up for people who are mistreated. In your school, workplace, neighborhood, or community, who is not being treated fairly? What can you do to advocate for justice for them? Ask God to show you where there is injustice in your community and how you can support people who are being wronged. Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.org/Thrive)

ReFrame Ministries

**Groundwork:** Dry Bones And God's Promises Of Restoration - Have you ever felt so hopeless that anything and everything remotely good seems impossible and out of reach? Join Groundwork as we study the hope filled imagery in Ezekiel 37 and 47 to remember God's great love for his people, how seriously he takes his promises, and how deeply we can trust that one day he will fully restore us too. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Kids Corner:** Questions Show Care - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Why do you think Jesus asked people all these questions? What did he want to find out? Maybe what they thought, or what they wanted, or what they believed? Why was Jesus so curious? Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like the Bible Story Podcast The Woman at the Well.

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.

