

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:  
Aug 31 & Sep 7 Judy Wieringa & Rose Dame/Glen & Ruth Wagner  
Sept. 14 & 21 Bill & Joyce Truscott/Yvonne DeHollander, Ron & Sharon Stryd

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Donnie Waterhouse  
PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: hccrcprayer@gmail.com  
SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

Districts

A-M  
N-Z

Elder


Glen Wagner  
Rick Lingbeek

Deacon

Teri Wagner  
Roger Selles

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:  
Sept 7 - Paul Booden  
Sept 14 - Chris VandenBerg  
Sept 21 - Paul Booden  
Sept. 28 - Lisa Durian

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:  
9/7 - Barb Razenberg  
9/14 - Pam Gould & Sue Mejeur  
9/21 - Sue Florian & Nancy VandenBerg  
9/28 - Cheryl Koning & Joy Knurr

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				4	5	6
7 Communion Sunday  10 am Pastor Simon "The Revelation of Jesus Christ: The Alpha and Omega" Revelation 1  11:20 Church Potluck	8	9  7 pm Admin. Board	10  10 am Adult Bible Study	11  10:45 International Student Luncheon	12	13
14  10 am Pastor Simon "The Seven Churches: Witness & Warnings" Revelation 2-3  11:20 am Congregational Mtg	15	16  9:30 Coffee Break 3:30 Shep. Elders	17  10 am Adult Bible Study	18	19	20
21  10 am Pastor Simon "The Throne and the Lamb: He Who Is Worthy" Revelation 4-5	22	23  6:30 Council	24  10 am Adult Bible Study	25  9:30 GROW Group	26	27  7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative 

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HAPPENINGS


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What's up in Worship

Sermon Series: Revelation: Until He Comes ~ The book of Revelation is a letter written to encourage persecuted Christians to remain steadfast to the One who has come and will come again. Join us for this series as we discover hope and comfort for those who follow Christ. This week's sermon is based on Revelation 1, "The Revelation of Jesus Christ: The Alpha and Omega."



This Sunday, September 7, 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. As we prepare to celebrate holy communion, Scripture calls us to examine ourselves before God. Let us therefore ask God for the proper spirit in which to celebrate the sacrament so that we may be spiritually revived, and strengthened in faith, hope, and love, through Christ our Lord.





Our church potluck is this Sunday, September 7 right after the morning worship. Come and enjoy great fellowship and delicious food. If you are able, please bring a dish to pass. All tableware and drinks will be provided.

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

Bob Pangle ~ September 12  
Bonnie Colvin ~ September 13

Anniversaries...

Bob & Jane Pangle ~ September 9

thank you

Thank You!

After 25 years, Ruth Mather is stepping away from her role as the Kitchen & Fellowship Coordinator. In this role, Ruth oversaw many church fellowship events and funeral luncheons. She recruited volunteers and managed the kitchen space so that it was an effective resource for ministry at Heritage Church. Please join us in saying thank you to Ruth for her commitment over many years to this volunteer role.

THIS WEEK

HERE'S WHAT'S ON THE CALENDAR!

Church Calendar for September 7-13:

Sunday

10:00 Sunday Worship  
11:15 All Church Potluck

Tuesday

7:00 Admin. Board

Wednesday

10:00 Adult Bible Study

Thursday

10:45 International Student Luncheon



**"What Should I do".**  
"When you study the life of Jesus, you discover a distinct pattern of faithful living in a purposeful way. Jesus modeled the Christian Life for you and we do well to follow His example." Join us Wednesday mornings at 10:00 beginning September 10th for 10 weeks as we discover the keys to Christian living found in God's Word.



**Coffee Break Ladies:** We will begin Coffee Break on Sept. 16 at 9:30 AM. The subjects of our studies will be the Prophets Elijah and Elisha. If you have any questions, contact Ellen Byle at 269-598-0806 or see me in church. Sign up on the sheet by the office and I will get you a book soon.



**Attention ladies - GROW GROUP** Bible study will be starting on Thursday, September 25. We will meet at church at 9:30 and will be studying The Chosen, Season 5. We welcome anyone who has not previously attended to join us for a wonderful time of fellowship and Bible study!



There will be no September meeting of the Book Club. Do not stop reading! On October 28 we will be meeting again to have a discussion around the table of books we have read and enjoyed recently, in the past, or would like to read in the future. This will give each of us a new book or author to think about. You have some time to work on this and hopefully enjoy some reading.

**Offering Schedule**

- Sept. 7 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance  
Loose Change: Centrica of SW Michigan
- Sept 14 General Fund & Ministry Shares  
Loose Change: Alternatives of Kalamazoo
- Sept 21 General Fund & Faith Promise  
Loose Change: Calvin Theological Seminary
- Sept 28 General Fund & Building Fund  
Loose Change: Benevolence Fund

**Offerings (deposited for August 31, 2025)**

- Building Fund ~ \$100.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$95.00
- General Fund ~ \$1,791.00
- Growing Hope Globally ~ \$180.00
- Luke Society ~ \$155.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$25.00

**Council News**

**Town Hall Meeting:** As was noted in recent Heritage Happenings, several months ago the school reached out to the council regarding a proposal to expand their early education program on our campus. This proposal would not involve a new building addition but utilize space within our current facility, which in many ways incorporates plans the congregation approved last Fall.

At a special meeting of the council this past Tuesday, the council discussed the proposal. We invite the congregation to attend an informational meeting scheduled for Sunday, September 14 following the worship service. At the meeting we will share an update on the proposal, how the council would like to proceed and answers questions from the congregation.

**September**



Our church's **Service Ministry** committee is looking for "Helping Hands" that would like to help out with meals for our church families when requested. There is also a need for transportation for some of our shut-ins. If you would like more information please contact: Kathy VanderMeer 269-382-1455 or Judy Wieringa 269-327-1913. Thank you!



After a very informative and eye opening tour of the Ministries complex, it was decided we needed to help out. Each day they have a need for twin sheets,(410 beds) towels and underwear.

- Needed:
- ~New or gently used, clean twin sheets. Adult/kids
  - ~New or gently used, clean bath towels
  - ~Underwear, many have only a pair for a week! Basic styles, adult sizes, men and women, Med-2XL.

There is a collection box in the narthex. On the bulletin board in the fellowship hall there is full list of other needed items.

Thank you,  
Kathleen VanderMeer & Joy Knurr



Park Village Pines presents the *2025 Fall Gala with Tim Tebow*. The event will be held on Friday, September 12 at 6:30 pm at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in downtown Kalamazoo. To order tickets contact Maria Weathers at: mariaweathers@parkvillagepines.org or call 269-364-6051.

**Family Faith Formation Tip**

**A new school season has begun. The rhythms and activities of a new school year can make it challenging to include space for God in your everyday family life. One way you can do that is by reviewing the "highs and lows" of your day, giving thanks for God's many blessings and asking for God's presence in the midst of hard situations. See Everyday Family Faith (FaithAliveResources.org) for more ways to make time for God with your family. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive**

**ReFrame Ministries**

**Kids Corner Devotions: Praying for Our Enemies -** Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Praying for Our Enemies" at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). In Matthew 5, Jesus preaches the Sermon on the Mount. He wanted people to know how to treat one another and show love the way he loves. He even wants us to show love and kindness to those we think of as our enemies because God cares about and provides for everyone. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like the classic "Liz and Friends" podcast!

**Groundwork: Living as Citizens of God's Kingdom Now -** We've learned that Jesus brought God's kingdom near -- so near, in fact, it's within us. Join Groundwork as we study Matthew 6:9-13, Romans 14:17, Micah 4:1-5, Matthew 25:35-40, Philippians 2:5-8, Acts 2:42-47, Revelation 11:15, and 1 Corinthians 15:58 to learn what it means and looks like for us to live in God's kingdom here and now, even when we can't fully see it. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.