

Heritage CRC

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SUNDAY WORSHIP:@ 9:30 AM

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
Thursday by 8:00 am. Call,
leave a note, or e-mail to
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday: 8:30 am —12:30 pm
Thursday: 8:30 am —12:00 pm

Volunteer Schedule...

COFFEE SERVERS:

Dec. 25 & Jan. 1 Gary & Dorothy Broekhuizen/Glen & Ruth Wagner
Jan. 8 & 15 Ferrel & Marilyn Stremmer/Bill & Joyce Truscott

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

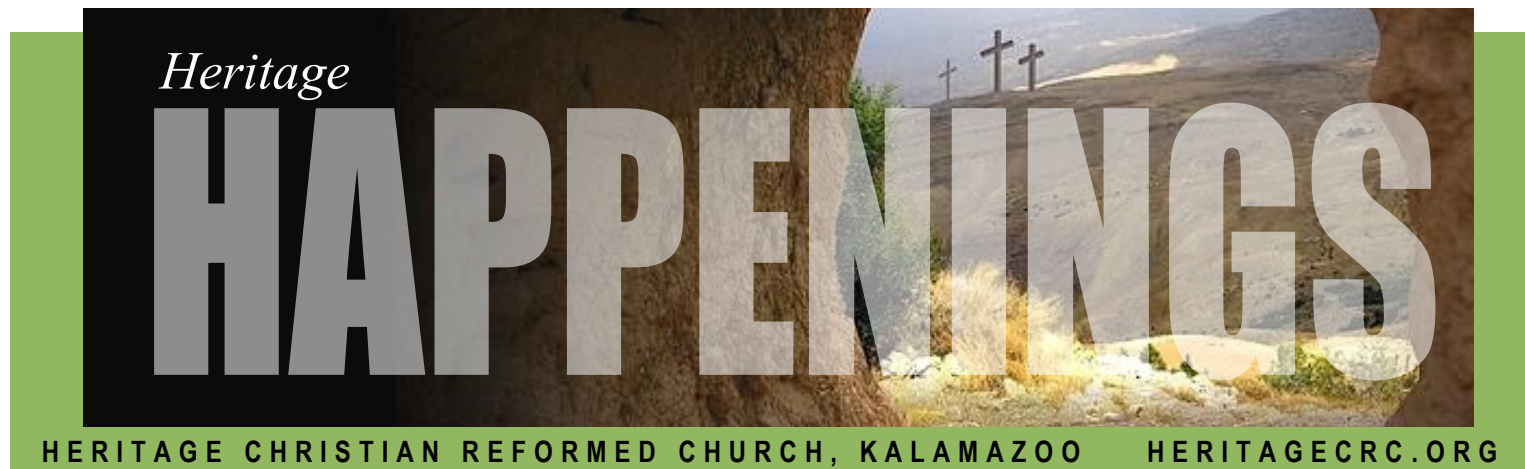
PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

December 25 - Gary Broekhuizen
January 1 - Lisa Durian
January 8 - LillieAnn Durian
January 15 - Paul Booden

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				22	23	24
25 <i>Christmas Day</i> 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Immanuel: God With Us" Matthew 1:18-25	26	27	28	29	30	31 <i>Goodbye 2022 Hello 2023</i>
1 9:30 am Rev. Eric Schering "Doing Only What the Father Is Doing" John 5:16-30	2	3 9:30 am Coffee Break	4 10 am THE STORY Bible Study	5 9:30 am GROW Group	6	7
8 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Be Careful You Do Not Fall" 1 Corinthians 10:1-22	9	10 7 pm Admin Board	11 10 am The STORY Bible Study	12 9:30 am GROW Group	13	14



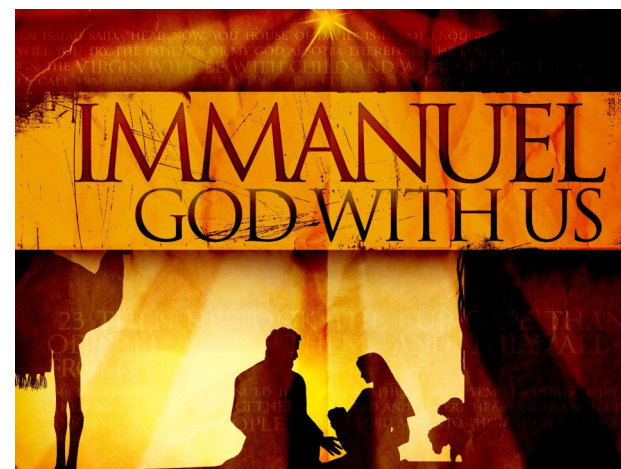
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What's up in Worship

Advent Sermon Series:

The Glory of the One and Only. The incarnation is shocking. When we live in light of the incarnation of Jesus, our lives will be shocking to others. Yet our lives will testify to the good news: Christ has come, God is with us, and one day He will come again. Beginning Sunday, November 27. This week's message: "Immanuel: God With Us" Matthew 1:18-25



Pastor Simon will be out of the office December 26 to January 2. If any concerns come up please contact a shepherding elder.



Thank you for the many cards, emails and kind words in the passing of our father, Dick Durian.

Matt & Lisa Durian

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

Amanda Miller ~ December 29
Matthew Carlisle ~ December 31



New Members: The Shepherding Elders recently received the membership transfers of Terry & Sue Florian from Southern Heights CRC, the church that received members from the former Milwood Community CRC. They also received the membership transfer of Linda DeLoof from Greenwood Reformed. Please join us in welcoming them as members to Heritage CRC. A page for the pictorial directory will be coming soon!

Address Updates:

Gene Brussee
Provision Living at Oshtemo
210 N. 9th St., Room 505
Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Joyce Gjeltema
5033 Green Meadows Rd
Kalamazoo, MI 49009





Severe Weather Cancellation: In the event of severe weather and Sunday services are cancelled, closing information will be posted on Channel 3 WWMT at least 1 hour prior to the worship service start time. You can also sign up to receive text or email alerts from Channel 3. Go to WWMT website, click on weather, then closings. Then sign up to receive texts on your phone or email alerts for Heritage Christian Reformed Church.



Today Booklets: The January/February booklets have arrived. Please pick up a copy outside the southeast sanctuary doors if you so desire a copy.



The Coffee Break ladies are continuing to collect warm items for those in need. All things collected will be taken to KGM after the first of the year. We can use new or gently used: coats, sweaters, gloves, scarves, boots, blankets, etc. **Thank you so much!** The box is located by the church office. Any questions, please call Barb Nieboer, 343-5378 or Joyce Truscott, 342-1686.

Offering Schedule

- Dec. 25 General Fund & World Renew
- Jan. 1 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance
Loose Change: Rehoboth Christian School
- Jan. 8 General Fund & Ministry Shares
Loose Change: Luke Society
- Jan. 15 General Fund & Faith Promise
Loose Change: Kal. Christian Schools

Offerings (deposited for Dec. 18, 2022)

- Alternatives of Kalamazoo ~ \$300.00
- Christian Ed Assistance ~ \$25.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$443.00
- General Fund ~ \$6,655.00
- Kal. Christian Schools ~ \$128.00
- Memorial Fund ~ \$400.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$150.00
- World Renew (CRWRC) ~ \$25.00

From the Deacons: December 31, 2022 marks the end of the year for financial gifts that will be included in the 2022 summary of tithes and offerings to Heritage Church. All contributions received and deposited after January 1, 2023 will be included on your summary for 2023. In January, the deacons will place this summary in the mailbox of each member for whom a report is available. Questions? Please contact one of the deacons.

The 2023 offering envelopes were ordered a little late this year. Because of this we probably won't get them until early January. Until they arrive, please be sure to designate your envelope number and/or name and how much you want to go into each fund either on your check or on a separate sheet of paper. We are sorry for the inconvenience!

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.



ReFrame Ministries

Christmas: God's Gift of Jesus - Check out the kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Because God has given us all the gifts of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love at Christmas, we are able to share those gifts too. When we share the gifts of Christmas, we point others to the ultimate gift: Jesus. Listen now at kidscorner.net and check out all the new content.

Family Fire - Family Fire is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

Groundwork: Jesus, Shepherds, and Angels: A Savior is Born - The story of Jesus Christ's birth is wonderfully familiar, but slowing down to read and study it again brings comfort and renewed hope. Join Groundwork as we read and discuss the good news of Jesus' birth and the magnificent message the angels delivered to the shepherds in Luke 2:1-20. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Join ALTERNATIVES of KALAMAZOO for an evening of celebration featuring STEVEN CURTIS CHAPMAN. A wonderful evening of praise and worship, thanking the Lord for His faithfulness and provision over 40 exceptional years of ministry! This concert is for Alternatives supporters only and will not be offered to the general public, but seats will be limited! So make sure to purchase your ticket ASAP because these WILL sell out! We are so excited to celebrate with you!! Call 345-1740.

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PURCHASE TICKETS

LET'S CELEBRATE
JOIN US FOR A VERY SPECIAL CELEBRATION EVENT WITH
STEVEN CURTIS CHAPMAN

JANUARY 20, 2023
CALVARY BIBLE CHURCH
7:00PM - 9:00PM

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS NOW!
www.alternativescc.org/scc

Family Faith Formation Tip

Today we light the Christ candle to remind ourselves that the light of Christ has come into the world.

Light a Christ candle in your own home today as you celebrate.

Consider lighting a candle at each mealtime in the coming week (or year!) to remind you that Jesus is always with you.

crcna.org/FaithFormation



Prayer line Reminder: Please send all prayer requests to Jerry Oele or if your email address has changed, you wish to have your or a friend's email added to the Prayer Line, or you wish to no longer receive Prayer Line emails, please send an email request to: jerry.oele@yahoo.com or prayerline@heritagecrc.org