

Heritage CRC

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SUNDAY WORSHIP:@ 9:30 AM

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
Thursday by 9:00 am. Call,
leave a note, or e-mail to
churchoffice@heritagecrc.org.

OFFICE HOURS:
Wednesday: 8:15 am —1:00 pm
Thursday: 8:15 am —12:15 pm

Volunteer Schedule...

COFFEE SERVERS:

Jan. 9 & 16 Mike & Cheri Gavin/Dave & Kathy VanderMeer
Jan. 23 & 30 Judy Fletcher & Asghar Gill/Norm & Bonnie Langeland

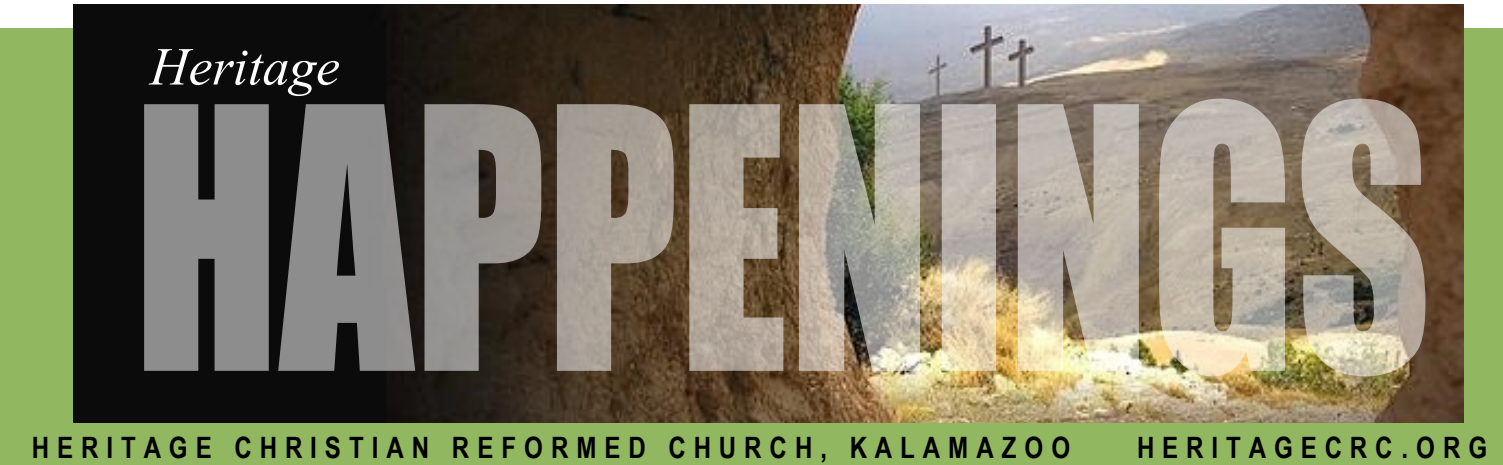
PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

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SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

Jan. 9 - LillieAnn Durian
Jan. 16 - Paul Booden
Jan. 23 - Gary Broekhuizen
Jan. 30 - Gary Broekhuizen



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What's up in Worship

Exodus: God of Grace and God of Glory ~

The book of Exodus is the story of what it means to be redeemed by God, to live with God and to worship God alone. Exodus shows us how God formed a people for Himself and how their rescue from slavery points us to Christ who set us free from sin and calls us to walk with a holy God. Join us on January 9 as Pastor Simon begins a sermon series on the book of Exodus. This week's message: *"The Power of Promise: From a Family to a Nation"*. Exodus 1:1-22



The Coffee Break ladies are again collecting warm clothing and blankets for the needy! Coats, boots, anything you have extra will be greatly appreciated! Time to check your closets! Thanks in advance!

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

Bill Cobern ~ January 11
Lucas Piontek ~ January 12
Dan VanderMeer ~ January 14



thank you

I have sent Christmas cards to shut-ins for the past few years and this year I was on the receiving end. Now I know how blessed it feels to be remembered. Thank you all for the cookies and cards! Barb Van Dalen

The Deacons would like to thank the Heritage congregation for their generous giving this year. Your year end giving statements will be in your mailboxes soon. In addition, thank you for the overwhelming response to our Christmas project for the KGM women's shelter. They were absolutely thrilled with the supplies for the women and children! Also, we were able to write a check for \$1098 for them to use for other needed supplies. We give thanks to God for the generous spirit of this congregation!



International Student Luncheon
at Western Michigan University:
We are hosting on January 20, 2022. Sign up sheets are on the table in the narthex. Disposable pans are located by the sign up sheets. Sign up today!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			5	6	7	8
9 9:30 am Pastor Simon "The Power of Promise: From a Family to a Nation" Exodus 1:1-22	10	11 7 pm Admin Board	12 8 am Men's Bible Study	13 9:30 am GROW Group	14	15
16 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Moses: A Deliverer is Born" Exodus 2:1-25	17 9:30 am Coffee Break 3:30 Shepherding Elders	18	19 7 pm P.U.S.H.	20 9:30 am GROW Group WMU International Student Luncheon	21	22 8 am Mobile Food Initiative
23 9:30 am Pastor Simon "I AM WHO I AM's Rescue Plan" Exodus 3:1-4:31	24	25 2 pm Book Club 7 pm Council	26	27 9:30 am GROW Group	28	29

Health Precautions: As we are in the Winter months, we encourage everyone to practice caution for the sake of everyone's health. If you have been in contact with someone who presents COVID-19 symptoms or if you display any of the symptoms, please stay home. Hand sanitizer is available at the Information Center in the lobby. Each individual is welcome to wear a mask if that makes them most comfortable. If you prefer to sit further apart from others in the sanctuary, extra space is available in the side sections. ~ from the Administrative Board

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.



Men's Bible Study was postponed due to illness and predicted weather. It is rescheduled for Wednesday, January 11 at 8:00 am. We will be discussing lesson 11.

The Book Club is meeting Tuesday, January 25 at 10:00am in the church library. We are discussing a book from the church library entitled No Ocean Too Wide by Carrie Turansky. It is historical fiction about orphans in England in the early 1900's. There are extra copies of the book available from Dorothy Broekhuizen. If you already have a book don't worry about the due date, just come with your book and comments to the discussion.



Offering Schedule

- Jan. 9 General Fund & Ministry Shares
Loose Change: Luke Society
- Jan. 16 General Fund & Faith Promise
Loose Change: Kal. Christian Schools
- Jan. 23 General Fund & Building Fund
Loose Change: World Renew
- Jan. 30 General Fund
Loose Change: Wycliffe

Offerings (deposited for December 31, 2021)

General Fund ~ \$5,850.00

(deposited for January 2, 2022)

- Building Fund ~ \$10.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$95.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$60.00
- General Fund ~ \$3,037.00
- Initial Offering ~ \$15.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$10.00
- Rehoboth Christian School ~ \$94.00

Help feed Daisy! Over the past 15 years, Heritage CRC has partnered with Growing Hope Globally (<https://www.growinghopeglobally.org/>) and 2 other churches in Kalamazoo (Grace and Third CRC) to tackle world hunger! Each year, Red Arrow Dairy donates 5 cows and churches "rent" or "adopt" a cow to cover their feed and veterinary care expenses. In return, the dairy donates the value of the milk produced back to the churches.

Over the past 15 years, \$403,000 has been raised to support World Renew projects through Growing Hope Globally. In 2021, church contributions, the value of the milk produced and the donations of suppliers to the dairy raised \$25,721. This money will go to support World Renew projects in Bangladesh, Cambodia and Nicaragua.

As we look to a new year of support for Growing Hope Globally, be on the look out for the "Adopt-a-Cow" poster which will provide an opportunity for members to adopt Daisy the cow for \$45/week in 2022.



ReFrame Ministries

Show the World - Check out the new kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Have you ever grumbled? Say the word "grumble" a couple of times. Most likely, it will make your eyebrows crease and your mouth turn to a frown. In Philippians 2, Paul wrote to a church telling them to do everything without grumbling or arguing. How do we do that? Listen now at kidscorner.net and check out all the new content.

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: Life and Reconciliation in Christ - Injustice and sin are rampant in humanity. But the Apostle Paul seeks to energize our faith when everything around us says we should be discouraged. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Ephesians 2 to hear Paul's assurance that, in Jesus Christ, God's grace is abundant and we find justice, reconciliation, and belonging in God's family. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Calvin University

Crossroads at the January Series - Join Crossroads Prison Ministries mentors and staff on January 13 at 12:30 pm for a presentation from author Reuben Miller at Calvin University, part of the 2022 January Series. Immediately following the presentation, Crossroads will have a room reserved on Calvin's campus for a time of fellowship and discussion. Consider bringing a friend with you to both the presentation and the Crossroads event afterward. It will be a great opportunity to learn about the problem of mass incarceration and how Crossroads can help you get involved in caring for those who are in prison. For more information about Crossroads visit cpministries.org.

Family Faith Formation Tip

Read Deuteronomy 11:18-20 and ponder or discuss the following question.

How might you "fix God's words" in places where you and others in your communities would see them often?

crcna.org/faithpracticesproject

Severe Weather Cancellation: In the event of severe weather and Sunday services are cancelled, closing information will be posted on Channel 3 WWMT as well as WOODTV 8 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, WWMT. Go to WWMT website. Click on School/ Business/Church Closing Alerts. Then sign up to receive texts on your phone or email alerts for Heritage Christian Reformed Church.



Calvin Symposium on Worship - (January 31 – February 4, 2022) Join this livestream conference, with several in-person sessions, sponsored by the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship and the Center for Excellence in Preaching, located at Calvin University and Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Learn more at worship.calvin.edu/symposium/