

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

Volunteer Schedule...

COFFEE SERVERS:

April 16 & 23 Mike & Cheri Gavin/Dave & Kathy VanderMeer
April 30 & May 7 Fred & Pam Gould/Norm & Bonnie Langeland


PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

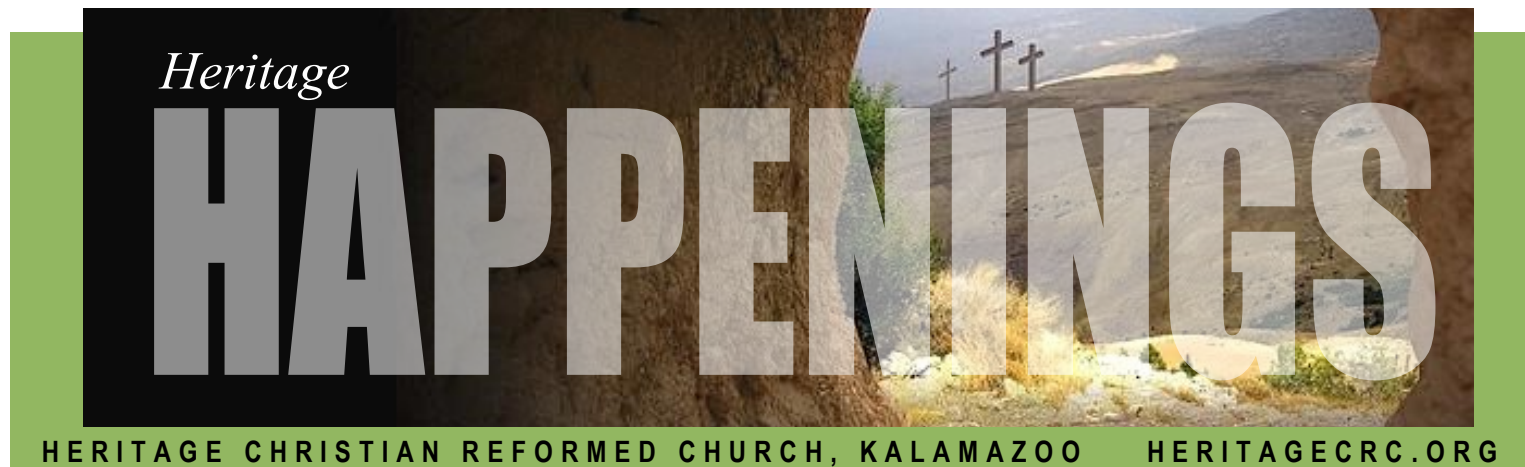
PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

April 23 - Gary Broekhuizen
April 30 - Gary Broekhuizen
May 7 - Lisa Durian
May 14 - LillieAnn Durian

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				20	21	22 7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative
23 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Abiding" John 15:1-17	24	25 10 am Book Club	26	27	28	29
30 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Because of His Name" John 15:18-16:4	1 	2	3 8 am Men's Bible Study	4	5	6
7 Mission Emphasis Week	8	9 10 am Coffee Break @ Colonial Kitchen 7 pm Admin Council	10	11	12	13



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What's up in Worship

Pastor Simon will preach this week from John 15:1-17, sermon title "Abiding".



Council News

Over the past several weeks the Council has worked diligently to put together a list of nominees for elder and deacon. Here is the list of those willing to serve:

Shepherding Elder (1 needed): Glen Wagner

Shepherding Deacon (1 needed): Cheri Gavin

Administrative Elder (1 needed): Jim Bosch

Administrative Deacon (1 needed): Kim Bruinwood and Jonathan Mejeur

On Sunday, May 14, the casting of lots will be used in the worship service to select an administrative deacon. Once this takes place, the congregation will be asked to affirm the slate of nominees by a voice vote. The installation of new office bearers will take place on Sunday, May 21.

Please keep this process in prayer as we place those nominated before God's throne and ask the Holy Spirit to lead us in the ministry of Heritage Christian Reformed Church.

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

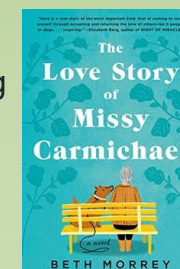
Phyllis Triezenberg ~ April 25
Dena Corstange ~ April 28
Gavin Scheel ~ April 29



Anniversaries...

Matt & Lisa Durian ~ April 28

The book club will be meeting in Tuesday, April 25 at 10:00 am to discuss the book *The Love Story of Missy Carmichael* by Beth Morrey. Here is a love story of the most important kind: that of coming to love oneself through accepting and returning the love of others - be it people or dogs. See Dorothy Broekhuizen for a book.



Today Booklets: The May/June booklets have arrived. Please pick up a copy outside the south-east sanctuary doors if you so desire a copy.

Faith-Promise ~ Mission Emphasis Week

(and more!): What is Faith-Promise? Faith-Promise is a ministry fund we use to support individuals and agencies, both locally and globally, actively involved in sharing the Good News of Jesus so that those who are far from God may come into a saving relationship with Jesus Christ.

At the launch of a new year of Faith-Promise support we host Mission Emphasis Week (May 7– May 14, 20223) and invite missionaries and agencies we support to share what they are doing in their work of reaching the world for Christ.

Every year, we are challenged to show our support of God’s Mission in this world through prayer, writing letters of encouragement to the missionaries and their families, and making a financial commitment toward Faith-Promise.

Brochures explaining the purpose of Faith Promise will be available soon in your mailbox. We encourage you to pick this up and prayerfully consider the way in which God is asking you to do your part in accomplishing His Mission.

If you have questions, or would like more information, please contact our Faith Promise Coordinator, Jerry Oele.



FIVE MINUTES: Here’s the challenge: When the service ends, let’s do our utmost to give the first five minutes to someone we don’t know or to someone we don’t know well. There will be time to catch up with the people you know. But first we can make a difference in someone’s day if we will make the most of the moments following that final “amen.” The power of a sincere welcome matters!

Offering Schedule

- April 23 General Fund & Building Fund
Loose Change: Kalamazoo Christian Schools
- April 30 General Fund
Loose Change: ReFrame Ministries
- May 7 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance
Loose Change: Elim Christian Services
- May 14 General Fund & Ministry Shares
Loose Change: Alternatives of Kalamazoo

Offerings (deposited for April 16, 2023)

- Benevolence Fund ~ \$202.00
- Building Fund ~ \$40.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$383.00
- General Fund ~ \$5,510.00
- Initial offering ~ \$20.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$200.00
- Misc. Income ~ \$100.00

Mobile Food Initiative is Saturday, April 22.

7:45 AM at Centerpoint Church.
Please let the office know if you can help out.

See you there!



Concert on Saturday, April 22 at 7pm- Grace Christian Reformed Church will be presenting "Good News"- The story of the Gospel told through ten original songs blended with ten familiar hymns, featuring a variety of local musicians and instruments. Make plans to join us at Grace CRC (1724 Whites Rd.) for an uplifting evening of scripture and song!



ReFrame Ministries

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.

Kids Corner: Crying Out to God - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion at www.kidscorner.net. God cares when bad things happen. He invites us to turn to him just like David did with honesty and trust. He will hear our laments. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Bible story podcast “Saul Chases David.”

Groundwork: Understand: Jesus on the Road - On the road to Emmaus, two of Jesus’ followers listened as their companion explained the Scriptures to them. As their understanding of Scripture grew, so did their faith. Join Groundwork as we study this story in Luke 24:13-35 and discuss how we too cultivate our faith yet today as we develop a greater understanding of God and his ways through Scripture. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.



Don’t forget about Daisy!

Thank you to all who have signed up, there is only a one week left in September that is still open! You can check out the board by the office to see what is needed. If you have already signed up to “feed her” you can turn in your donation anytime. Thanks so much for supporting the Growing Hope Globally project!

Family Faith Formation Tip

Philippians 4:8 is a wonderful verse to memorize on your own or as a family. “Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.”



Kalamazoo Loaves and Fishes

A grocery cart in the gym/fellowship hall is available every week to collect non-perishable food items for Loaves & Fishes. They are always looking for food items that are high protein content. In addition, there are food items they look for on a monthly basis. For January it is beef stew. These foods are essential and ensure that nutritional items are available, by choice, to local households. Please support this ministry!



Alternatives of Kalamazoo:

A baby basinet in available in the gym/ fellowship hall for donations to support Alternatives Pregnancy Care Center of Kalamazoo. Needed items include diapers, baby food, new or gently used clothing, receiving blankets, etc. A list is available in the basinet. Thank you!



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