

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 2 & 9 Bill & Kathy Cobern/Judy Wieringa & Heather Tuin
April 16 & 23 Mike & Cheri Gavin/Dave & Kathy VanderMeer



PRAYER LINE MINISTRY: Glen Wagner/Judy Fletcher

PRAYER EMAIL MINISTRY: prayerline@heritagecrc.org

SERVICE MINISTRY: Judy Wieringa/Kathy VanderMeer

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY:

April 2 - Lisa Durian
April 9 - LillieAnn Durian
April 16 - Paul Booden
April 23 - Gary Broekhuizen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				30 9:30 am GROW Group	31 12-6 pm Red Cross Blood Drive 	1 
2 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Be Strong & Courageous" 1 Corinthians 16:1-24 11:00 All church Potluck	3	4	5 8:00 am Men's Bible Study 10 am The STORY Bible Study	6 9:30 am GROW Group	7	8
9 <i>Easter</i> 9:30 am Pastor Simon "After He Was Raised From the Dead" John 2:12-25	10	11 10 am Coffee Break @ Colonial Kitchen 7 pm Admin Board	12	13 9:30 am GROW Group	14	15
16 9:30 am Pastor Simon "Do Not Be Troubled" John 14:1-14	17	18 3:30 Shep. Elders	19	20 9:30 am GROW Group	21	22 7:45 am Mobile Food Initiative



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What's up in Worship

This week's sermon is part of the sermon series: *The Church's One Foundation (1 Corinthians)*. This week's sermon title is: *"Be Strong and Courageous"*, 1 Corinthians 16:1-24.



Sunday, April 2, 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.

Holy Week Schedule

This Sunday, April 2 is Palm Sunday or Passion Sunday, the day when Jesus entered Jerusalem in triumph, but as part of his journey to the cross of suffering and shame.

On Good Friday, April 7 we will meet at 7 pm for a Tenebrae service of growing darkness. After reading and reflecting on each of the seven last words of Christ, a candle will be extinguished as we remember with wonder and gratitude the suffering of our Savior.

On Easter Sunday, April 9 at 9:30am am we celebrate with joy our risen Savior and His victory over sin and death!

Celebrations...

Birthdays...

- Pete Dame ~ April 4
- Dick VanDam ~ April 6
- Irene VanderBerg ~ April 7
- Donnie Waterhouse ~ April 7
- Marge Booden ~ April 9
- Richard Visser ~ April 11
- Judy Wieringa ~ April 13
- Norm Langeland ~ April 15



Anniversaries...

- Bob & Barb Razenberg ~ April 7

thank you

Dear Pastor Simon and member of the Heritage CRC family, We thank you all so much for your past and continued heartfelt prayers regarding my mother's hip surgery. She is doing remarkably well. Your prayers are much appreciated. All glory and praise to God. Helen and Cameron Brown

Thank you so much for all the prayers, thoughts, and cards sent to us following the death of Ruth's sister, Norma. It truly is great to be a part of our church family! Glen, Ruth and Teri Wagner



Lisa will be on vacation March 31 - April 9. There will not be a newsletter next week. Thank you.



Our next all church potluck is this Sunday, April 2 after our morning worship service. Please bring a dish to pass if you are able, drinks and table service will be provided. Come and enjoy a variety of delicious food and wonderful fellowship.



Let's celebrate Taylor Bruinwood and Haley Edie on Saturday, April 15, 2023 with an all church shower/open house.

Where: Church Fellowship Hall
Time: 11:00-12:30

All are welcome to come and meet Haley, and spend a few moments in fellowship with both Taylor and Haley. Light refreshments will be served. Haley and Taylor are busy planning their July 29, 2023 wedding.

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!



Offering Schedule

- April 2 General Fund & Christian Ed. Assistance
Loose Change: Trinity College
- April 9 General Fund & Ministry Shares
Loose Change: International Campus Ministry
- April 16 General Fund & Faith Promise
Loose Change: Benevolence Fund
- April 23 General Fund & Building Fund
Loose Change: Kalamazoo Christian Schools

Offerings (deposited for March 26, 2023)

- Building Fund ~ \$1,060.00
- Christian Ed. Assistance ~ \$50.00
- Faith Promise ~ \$160.00
- General Fund ~ \$8,709.00
- Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries ~ \$324.00
- Ministry Shares ~ \$50.00

Our budget envelopes **should be arriving this week**. Again, we are sorry for the delay and please continue to indicate your envelope number and/or name and how much you want to go into each fund either on your check or a sheet of paper. The deacon's thank you for your help with this.



Dear friends of Heritage CRC,

As coordinator of our American Red Cross blood drive that will be held on **Friday, March 31 from Noon-5:45**, I would like anyone interested to check out the sign up sheets on the table in the back of the church by the office entrance. I welcome the help needed for that special day along with the items needed for the drive. We are hoping for a successful blood drive so that we can have future blood drives at Heritage.

If you can donate blood or know of someone who would be interested that would be great! Let's pray for a good turnout of donors so that we can help those in need. Please contact Donnie Waterhouse at 269-720-3142 or see me at church if you have any questions about the drive. Thanks & Blessings from Donnie

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: Jesus' Palm Sunday - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. How do you picture Jesus' entry into Jerusalem? No marching band. No banners waving. Doesn't sound like how Aladdin arrived in that popular Disney movie, does it? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Bible story podcast "Palm Sunday and the Arrest."

Groundwork: Remembering Jesus' Sacrifice on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday - Christians around the world mark the events of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday with reflection and special worship services. Join Groundwork as we study John 13:34-35, Mark 15:1-15, and Matthew 27:45-50 to discuss the meaning of these holy days, re-examine our expectations, and reflect on Jesus Christ's example. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

World Renew

Mississippi Tornado Response - On March 25, a massive tornado ripped across 170 miles of Mississippi and Alabama, leveling entire communities. More than 25 people were killed, dozens more are injured or missing. World Renew is collaborating with officials and other organizations to respond. Please pray for those who lost their homes and loved ones. Pray for rescue teams searching for survivors. Pray for our partners and ministries in Hattiesburg and Cary, MS. Pray for our supporting churches and local families. Pray for World Renew DRS as we expand our current MS responses to include this disaster. Please see worldrenew.net for developing information.



Lent At-home Faith Formation Tip: Spend time in the Easter story this week by engaging with it in a variety of ways. If you have kids in your life, read it and then retell it together as you act it out or use crayons, markers, collage or even Lego to depict various scenes. With other adults or on your own, read the story out loud several times, pausing in between to reflect and to circle or write down words that stand out for you.



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



A reminder that the intersection at 11th street and Parkview is CLOSED. This closure will go through mid August. Starting in mid June the 12th street and Parkview intersection will also be closed. You will need to plan on an alternate route to get to church.