

GREETERS: **North Door**

April 23 Ruth Bazuin

April 30 Zach & Karianne Smith

May 7 Eric & Kelly Seitter

May 14 Jon & Michelle Dracht

May 21 Jim & Bev Ouwinga

South Door

Mary Dracht

Curt & Becky Wemple

Phil VanAssche & Dollene VanPolen

Jim Nienhuis

CJ & Sara Bruno

NURSERY:

April 23 Bev Taylor, Ruth Kulhawick, Joey Kulhawick
Lizelle Bazuin, Christina Dodde, Caitlin Dodde

April 30 Sue Cook, Linda Ellens, Grace VanHaitsma
Maggie Southwick, Donna Veddler, Cambria Ouwinga

May 7 Karianne Smith, Barb Dore, Kendra VanPolen
Jodi Meyering, Margaret Westmaas, Mya Eisenga

May 14 Diane Nemeth, DaNay Tossey, Emerson Tossey
Anne Thomas, Bev Kamphouse, Jonathon Dracht

May 21 Kristen Sikkema, Cindy Vennema, Emma Kirkby
Patti Koop, Julie Dorman, Vanessa Vennema

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP -- LITTLE LAMBS

April 23 Al Thomas, Greg Tossey-Lacy Veddler, Laura Swiler

April 30 DaNay Tossey, Tucker Tossey-Becky Wiinikainen, Tana VanPolen

May 7 Becky Wemple, Megan Benthem-Hillary Dracht, Tiffany Ouwinga

May 14 Lizelle Bazuin, Bonnie Fox-Amy VanPolen, Karen Oeverman

May 21 Sue Cook, Kari VanPolen-Kaylie Hiller, Miranda Dykhous

SOUND SYSTEM, VIDEO, POWERPOINT:

April 23 **9:30 AM:** Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Julie VanHaitsma
6:00 PM: No Service

April 30 **9:30 AM:** Cary Sikkema, Deb Eisenga, Kendra VanPolen
6:00 PM: No Service

May 7 **9:30 AM:** Matt Thompson, Al Fox, Jodi DeHate
6:00 PM: No Service

May 14 **9:30 AM:** Cary Sikkema, Roger Hagerman, Julie VanHaitsma
6:00 PM: No Service

May 21 **9:30 AM:** Matt Thompson, Dan Ouwinga, Tami Eisenga
6:00 PM: No Service

APRIL USHERS: Jonathan Ouwinga, Dave VanHaitsma, Marlin Venema, Ed Dracht

APRIL OFFERINGS: 23rd GEMS, 30th Friends Ministry

MAY USHERS: Greg Hesselink, Tim Bode, Jon Dracht, Don Ellens

Note: *If you are unable to make it on your Sunday, please find your own replacement or call the office for assistance.*



**HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Vision Statement**

**In our endeavor to seek Christ's will and follow His calling,
we desire to strengthen our church through
growth in prayer,
growth in vibrant worship,
growth in committed outreach,
and growth in thriving fellowship.**

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Morning Worship: 9:30 AM
Sunday school: 10:50 AM
office@highlandcrc.org

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30 AM

Highland Christian Reformed Church

April 23, 2017

Please welcome Pastor Rod Kamrath, this morning.

Prelude

Welcome and Invitation to Worship

“Good, Good Father”

GEMS Litany

“10,000 Reasons”

Children’s Message

“Our God Is an Awesome God”

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Galatians 2: 11-21

Sermon: **Absolute Surrender**

Offerings:

1st - General Fund; 2nd –GEMS

Presentation of Badges

Blessing

“Make Me a Servant”

Postlude

Church morning program: *Children are welcome to attend Children’s Church (Preschool and Kindergarten) and Little Lambs (3-4 yrs. non-pre-school) programs. They leave the sanctuary and go down the NORTH stairs to the basement. You may pick them up there after the morning service.*

Fellowship: *Everyone is invited to refreshments and fellowship following the morning service in the Fellowship Hall.*

**There is NO Evening Service
at Highland CRC tonight**

2017 Council

Exec. Board - *

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499-2431

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Ministry Team Leaders:

Outreach Team (Jodi DeHate)

Care & Share Team (Bev Taylor)

Prayer Team (Sandy Rice)

Education Team (Laura Hesselink)

Service Team (Julie Dorman)

Worship Team (Hilda Cruz)

Facilities Team (Rick Dorman)

OFFICE HOURS: April 23-29

Monday-Friday 8:30-2:30

Wednesday-off

Bonnie Fox 231-878-6424

Pastoral Support

Pastor Rod Kamrath 231 839-0108

Congregational Prayers:

Esther Bode had another treatment this past Thursday. She would appreciate extra prayers.

Anna VanPolen is scheduled for a CAT scan this coming Tuesday at Reed City Hospital. Please pray for a good outcome.

Brenda Ouwinga's surgery was this past Thursday. Please pray for strength and healing.

The Medendorp Family would appreciate your prayers for Katie, as she recovers from an accident involving a horse.

Please continue to keep Dan, Adam and Laura Swiler, Pearl Koetje, Carol Niver, Vicki Mosher, and Dave Westmaas in your prayers.

Because of the LORD'S great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." Lamentations 3: 22-23

OUR CHURCH WEEK: April 23-29

SUNDAY	9:15 AM	Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
TUESDAY	9:30 AM	Bible Study
	7:15 PM	JUMP musicians
	7:30 PM	JUMP vocals
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM	Prayer Fellowship
	7:00 PM	Praise Nine practice
FRIDAY	6:30- 9:30 PM	GEMS End of Year Party

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday school: Please take your child(ren) to their classrooms when the bell rings.

Catechism: Meet in the Youth Building.

Strong Tower tonight: Come for food and fellowship.

Tuesday AM Bible Study will meet this Tuesday, April 25th at 9:30 am.

A call has gone out to Pastor Gregory Kett to become Highland CRC's next pastor. The vote was 125 to 33. If you would like to contact him his address is: 51 152nd Avenue, Holland, MI 49424 or email him at gregorykett@hotmail.com

We rejoice in the marriage of Makayla Eisenga and Cory Powers yesterday, here at Highland CRC! It's not too late to 'shower' this couple with nonperishables. Please bring your contributions by Sunday, April 30th. Thank you.

GEMS End of the Year party will be this Friday, April 28, 2017 from 6:30-9:30 pm. We will have games, pizza, and watch a movie. If any of the girls need a ride, please call Carrie Thompson at 231 250-7517.

The Widows Coffee Group will be meeting at Pam's Sunnyside Bakery on Friday, April 28th at 9:00 am.

I just want to say "Thank You" to our Highland Church Family for the kindness and support you have given to me and to our entire family during the past months. There have been so many that have given us meals, cards, calls, made visits, and of course prayers that have all helped so much. I am very thankful to be a part of Highland and I truly appreciate all of you! Dan Swiler

Thank you so much for all the acts of kindness and tremendous generosity that has come to my family and me. It has been huge blessing to us and we appreciate it so much!! God bless you all!! Paul Ouwinga

We would like to thank our Highland Family for all the cards, phone calls and other acts of love shown us for our 60th Anniversary. It is a joy to have such good fellowship with "our family of God". Most of all, we thank the Lord that He led us to each other and that we could share 60 happy years together. God bless each of you!! Don and Marian Ouwinga

Thank you for all the support and encouragement you have given us since Benjamin's birth. Also, thank you to everyone who attended the celebration of his adoption being finalized! You are a wonderful church family and we thank God for you. David, Linda, Maxwell, and Benjamin Wing.

Thank you, thank you to my Highland Church Family for all your help, calls, food, visits and get well wishes. I have three weeks in and hopefully five to go. Please feel free to stop and chat or call. (I do have lots of visitors so you may want to call before

you come.) I am so blessed; God is so good and sits here with me day and night. Please continue prayers for healing and patience. Pearl Koetje

Thanks to all those who gave food donations and helped with the funeral lunch last week. Please pick up your dishes from the shelf across from the kitchen today.

The children of Butch and Mary Lou Karsten would like to invite you to an Open House honoring their parents 50th Wedding Anniversary which is May 5, 2017. The Open House will be held on Saturday, May 6th, from 2-4 pm at the Highland CRC Fellowship Hall. No gifts please.

Safe Church Applications: If you were asked to complete a Safe Church application a couple of months ago, please complete it as soon as possible and place it in Linda Wing's mailbox. If you need another copy, please contact her. Thank you.

Vacation Bible School will be in the evening this year, from August 7-10, 2017. Please mark your calendars.

The Church's website is up and running and needs an updated picture of your family. You can do this yourself by contacting Shari Benthem (jasonbenthem@sbcglobal.net or 920-1589) and she will get you a user name and password. For anyone who doesn't have a current family photo and would like one, Roger Hagerman is going to be taking pictures after church on April 30th and May 7th. Please contact Dollene VanPolen (878-6070) if you would like a snapshot taken and she will give you a time. Thank you. Shari Benthem

Job Opening: Beginning July 1, 2017 the inside church custodian position will be available. Please send your resume to Highland CRC, Attention Human Resources, 9034 23 Mile Road, Marion, MI 49665 by May 8, 2017.

Northern Michigan Christian High School Musical, "Seussical the Musical" is scheduled for Friday, April 28th and Saturday, April 29th at 7:00 pm at the Elenbaas Performing Arts Center in McBain. This lively, fun show is for people of all ages. Tickets go on sale at the NMCS office beginning on April 17 at 8:30 am and will also be sold at the door.